In spite of the very inclement weather, the school was off to a flying start to the new term this week. I hope all our students and families had an enjoyable time over the two week break from school. This term is packed full of events and I have highlighted some of these in this report. In addition, reports for all year groups will be distributed throughout the term. You can see the timeline for these by viewing the calendar on the school's web site. I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone the very best for the term.

Staff Changes
Two new members of staff joined us this week. Welcome Ms Rebecca Smith, our new Head Teacher of English. Ms Smith replaces Mrs Bodley who was our English Head but is now our Deputy Principal. Ms Smith joins us from Asquith Girls’ High School. She brings a wealth of specialist knowledge in teaching girls and considerable experience in teaching boys which she gained from several years teaching at Asquith Boys’ High School. We are delighted to have Ms Smith joining us. Why not come along to the next P&C meeting on Thursday 7 May and meet Ms Smith.

We are also welcoming Mr Bruce Gemmell to the HSIE staff this week. Mr Gemmell is replacing Mr Rice who left us at the end of last term to take up a teaching position at Merewether High School. Mr Gemmell comes to us from Killara High School where he has been a teacher of Business Studies and Economics.

School Development Day
While many students were able to sleep in on Monday, staff returned to a school development day. Our first session looked at Carol Dweck’s work on fixed and growth mindsets. Those with a fixed mindset believe we are born with our talents and this can’t be changed. They are reluctant to take on new challenges because they believe they are a natural genius, thus a new challenge in which they may fail, would present a risk of changing their view of themselves. A characteristic of the growth mindset is that the amount of ability you have in a field can be expanded by continual practice. In particular, staff looked at how the feedback they give their students might push them to a particular mindset. Training on child protection and the new performance development framework, that will be used to review all teachers, were also discussed. Following lunch, all staff attended technology sessions designed to increase staff skills surrounding the use of the MacBook Airs issued to staff at the beginning of the term.

Year 11 Examinations
Unlike the majority of students, Year 11 returned to school on Monday to sit their half yearly examinations. This was possible because we used Mrs Anne Morjanoff and her team of invigilators to supervise these examinations. Using Monday has allowed us to reduce the number of days Year 11 will be sitting examinations and speed up their return to normal lessons. Using Mrs Morjanoff and her team has also allowed Year 11 to experience the examination conditions they will face for the HSC at the end of next year.

Science Laboratories
This week we finally took delivery of our two new Science labs. What a transformation of a learning space! Each lab has two sections, one is a conventional classroom and the other a laboratory. Thanks go to Mr O’Connell who has painstakingly inspected the work of the builders to ensure a quality restoration.

School Musical – Grease
Over the holidays, a fantastic group of dedicated staff and committed students worked tirelessly on the school musical production Grease. This effort and dedication is really what makes our productions exceptional and so enjoyable for members of the audience. Thanks to Mrs Bullock and team. Don’t miss out on this classic stage musical and support.
this biennial event by being part of an audience. Show dates are 17, 19 and 20 June at 7.30 pm. Tickets will go on sale on 1 May and may be purchased on www.trybooking.com.au/127842

Food Garden
At the end of last year we received the exciting news that the P&C submission for a kitchen garden grant was successful. Our new head teacher of TAS, Ms Megan Bond, has really taken ownership of this project. Over the holidays she sourced the timber and organised the construction of the raised garden beds that are now in front of the Trade Training Centre. Thanks go to Ms Bond for her holiday work. Thanks also to the P&C who initiated and put forward the submission for the Grant. This project has been assisted by the New South Wales Government through its Environmental Trust.

ANZAC Commemorations
This year the school will commemorate 100 years of ANZAC days by participating in Camp Gallipoli. At the time of printing, we believe the camp will go ahead in spite of this week’s weather. This is a once in a lifetime event. Thanks go to Mrs Cartwright for her hard work coordinating this event.

School Cross Country
The School Cross Country carnival will be held on Tuesday next week. Students will be bused from the school to St Ives Showground at the end of Period 2. Following a briefing, students will run the course in the age group they turn this year. If the weather deteriorates again, an alternative location for running may be needed. Parents will be informed if alternative arrangements are necessary. A copy of the program and running track is included with this newsletter.

Parent Teacher Night
On Wednesday evening next week (29 April), parent teacher interviews will be conducted from 4pm – 7pm for Years 8 and 9. At this stage, parents are selecting interview slots to meet their teachers.

NAPLAN Testing
This year the NAPLAN examinations will be held on the 12, 13 and 14 of May. These examinations are for students in Years 7 and 9. They provide useful data on students’ understanding and knowledge. There are changes planned for these examinations. The most significant change will be to switch to on-line testing by 2019.

Congratulations
This week congratulation go to Nikita Volonski (Year 8). Over the holidays, Nikita participated in NSW Tennis Championships. Adopting a growth mindset, Nikita decided to compete in the under 16’s (he should have been in the under 14s). He won the contest, which included local, interstate and international competitors. As a result, he improved his ranking. He is now ranked 384th player in Australia!

Best wishes
Mark Watson
Principal

ARTIST OF THE MONTH - SANDY CHOW, YEAR 10

Sandy has been studying portraiture drawing techniques in her Year 10 Visual Arts work based on a 'Homage to an Individual'. Her choice is Johnny Depp and she has captured his zany, mysterious character of Edward Scissorhands with a scribbly line technique using a black fine marker. Sandy’s drawing is on display in the school office.

Sue Melville
Visual Arts Teacher
NEW SCIENCE LABORATORIES ARE FINALLY FINISHED!

After many delays (8 weeks) the new science labs have been handed over to the school. Classes in them started on Tuesday and the students were most impressed with the new facilities. The room layout is different from the other Science labs in the school, and they are bright and cheerful and a wonderful new learning environment. As it is still early days, we are trialling how to best use the facilities and once Science practicals can commence (when all the equipment have been transferred from being in storage) we will then fully benefit from the refurbishments.

Michael O’Connell
Head Teacher

EVATT TO BE HELD AT ST IVES HIGH THIS YEAR
OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS IN YEARS 9 TO 12

EVATT is a Model United Nations Security Council diplomacy competition for students in Years 9-12. The competition takes the form of a mock session of the UN Security Council. Teams of two students debate, amend, and vote on a prepared resolution from the perspective of their assigned nation. The students judged the most effective diplomats proceed to the next round. Students interested in forming teams of two, please see Mrs Gettens asap.

Patricia Gettens
Gats and Student Leadership Coordinator
Visual Arts Teacher

YEAR 7 LANGUAGES

Year 7 Language students continue to entertain and educate their classmates with thoughtful visual presentations of the “celebrity” that they become. Actors, explorers, famous chefs, singers, philosophers and martial arts experts have graced the Language classrooms.

Khush Patel
Language Teacher

NEED HELP WITH YOUR MATHS HOMEWORK?

If you need help with your Mathematics Homework come to D18 after school on Mondays. The session runs from 3:20 to 4:20 pm. A roll will be taken each week for safety purposes. Students may leave earlier as long as they sign out. Students from all year groups are invited to come along with their Maths homework and get help completing the set work and understanding it. If you have any questions about this please call me in the Mathematics staffroom, extension 112.

Peggy Mitchell
Mathematics teacher
CAREERS UPDATE

HSC Seminars for Year 11 & 12 Students
The University of Technology (UTS) is sponsoring an evening of seminars for senior students and parents on Tuesday 5 May 2015. Presenters include Senior Markers, Counsellors and past high-achieving students and will include sessions on:

* Maintaining a stress-free HSC: Top tips for parents and students
* HSC English: How to Master English Exams
* Study strategies and exam tips from Expert Teachers and state-ranked students

Tickets are just $10 with all the proceeds going directly to Father Chris Riley’s Youth off the Streets Charity. The evening runs from 6:30pm-8:30pm and refreshments will be available from 6pm. For a flyer visit this site: https://multimedia.getresponse.com/306/349306/documents/137189203.pdf

Macquarie University Global Leadership Entry Program
Applications are now open for Macquarie's Global Leadership Entry Program (GLEP) 2016 intake. Designed for the best and brightest Year 12 students, it will develop and inspire you to be a global leader of tomorrow. Who are we looking for? You're an all-rounder who's not only achieving great academic results, but also involved outside the classroom or in your community. We know you're more than an ATAR score. If you're selected for the GLEP, you'll be offered a place at Macquarie before you finish Year 12. That's one less thing to worry about before your HSC exams.

Who you are:
You're completing the Year 12 HSC or equivalent in NSW or ACT or the IB onshore.
You’re an:
Australian citizen
New Zealand citizen
Australian permanent resident
You're a leader in your community and actively involved in extra-curricular activities.
You're achieving good results at school.
You have aspiration for global engagement and leadership.

Key dates
Applications open Tuesday 7 April 2015
Applications close 5pm Saturday 15 August 2015

Apply at this link:

Macquarie University Student and Parent Information day 20 May (Term 2 Week 5) 2015
This evening is for prospective university students in years 11 and 12 and their parents. Learn about courses, scholarships and the many facilities.

Meet the Business Leader for Year 12 students
Would you like the opportunity to meet representatives from some of Sydney’s top firms recruiting for business cadetships? Wednesday 20 May 2015 at Luna Park from 5.00pm. Dress smart casual or school uniform. Register at charteredaccountantsanz.com/mtblnsw

UTS Engineering and IT Course and Scholarship Information Evening
10 June 2015 from 5.30-8.00pm at Broadway campus CB11 Faculty of Engineering Building 11.
Register at https://forms.uts.edu.au/index.cfm?Formid=324 or call 9514-2666

UMAT and ISAT Test
Registrations are now open at http://umat.acer.edu.au or http://isat.acer.edu.au respectively. Registrations close 5 June 2015. UMAT test date is 29 July 2015. You will need the UMAT score to apply for courses in Medicine, Optometry, Dental Surgery. See careers for further information.

For more information on any of these or other careers matters visit the Careers Adviser or email Mr Holmes at neil.holmes@det.nsw.edu.au or call the school on 9144 1689 ext 116.
Visit my careers website at http://www.careeradvicensw.com for careers information, resources, links to all universities on bonus points, scholarships, elite athletes schemes, alternate entry to university, the job market, career tests, SRS and more.
P&C NEWS

WELCOME BACK
On behalf of the P&C I should like to welcome back all parents and carers, and I hope you were not too badly affected by the storms this week. We had a large number of events in Term 1, including the most successful Election Day fundraising ever, and I should like to thank everyone involved for your enthusiasm and effort - a great start to the year.

It is important to stay in touch with what is going on, so please let us know if you are not on our e-mail circulation list - send your name and e-mail address with a note of your children’s names and classes to: pandcstiveshighschool@gmail.com

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK 2015-2016

How The Entertainment Book can save you hundreds of dollars without eating out
In case you didn’t receive my e-mail on Wednesday, did you know that you can save 5% on all your grocery, liquor and petrol purchases for the next year or more by purchasing WISH Gift Cards online through The Entertainment Book? Last year some members saved over $1,000 through WISH Gift Cards alone. It's hard to see how anyone could fail to save money this way - you will cover the cost of the Entertainment Book if you combined purchases this way at all the outlets below come to just $28 a week.

Here's how it works. You order a WISH Gift Card online through the Entertainment Book and pay by credit card. A $100 card costs you $95 (cards up to $1,000 available, all at 5% discount). Your $100 card is mailed to you within a week post-free. You use it just like any other gift card. It is valid at Woolworths, Big W, BWS Liquor, Dan Murphy's, Cellarmasters, Caltex, Masters Home Improvements and Thomas Dux. You can continue to order WISH Gift Cards this way until the expiry of the Entertainment Book (1 June 2016). The cards are valid for 12 months. Memberships (book or digital app) cost $70. The P&C receives 20%.

Please e-mail me at keitholiver@hotmail.com for more information and the link to order. Order by Sunday 26 April for extra Early Bird offers.

Keith Oliver, P&C President

UNIFORM SHOP
Please note— the Uniform Shop will be closed on Tuesday 28 April when the Cross Country Carnival is being held.

Opening Days and hours
Tuesdays 10:00am – 2:30pm (closed for 10 mins 12:00pm-12:10pm)
Thursdays 9:30am – 11:30am

Email: sihsuniform@gmail.com

MOTHER’S DAY RAFFLE
Don’t forget to come to the school office to buy tickets in our Mother's Day Raffle—see the attached flyer for the list of great prizes.
Mother’s Day Raffle

❤️ 1st Prize – Bottle of Moet Champagne
❤️ 2nd Prize – Two Tier Cake Stand & matching platter, cupcake holders and cutters
❤️ 3rd Prize – Arthur Murray Dance Studio Certificate (private, group and party lessons)
❤️ 4th Prize – Cosmetic Package – Candy Kitten
❤️ 5th Prize – Hand made jewellery
❤️ 6th Prize – Single bed quilt cover

$2 ticket OR $5 for 3 tickets (tickets available at office)

Raffle will be drawn on Friday 8th May 2015 winners will be notified by phone

Many thanks to our generous St Ives High parents for donating these prizes
(Michaels/Middonte, Yunus & Hyman families)
A free running group will be operating at St Ives High School, two afternoons per week, during Term 2.

Students are invited to join the teacher-facilitated group to improve their fitness, increase their performance and train for upcoming 5km or 10km races or the 21km Sydney Morning Herald Half Marathon with our Principal and teachers.

**SIHS Running Group Information**

**When:** Monday and Wednesday 3.45 – 4.45pm during Term 2

**Where:** Top Oval and a 2.5km road course on surrounding streets

**Equipment:** Running shoes and appropriate clothing including hat, sunscreen and wet weather protection when necessary.

**Half Marathon Information**

**When:** Sunday 17th May, 6.45am start

**Where:** Hyde Park Sydney

**Enrolment:** please enrol individually online into the Green Group at [http://www.smhhalfmarathon.com.au](http://www.smhhalfmarathon.com.au)

N.B. Runners must be over 12 years with a good level of fitness.
ST IVES HIGH SCHOOL
2015
CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Tuesday 28 April – St Ives Showground

PREVIOUS CHAMPIONS

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Safety Procedures

- All students are to bring their own medication on the day. Mr Kettels will be in charge of first aid.
- Students must ensure they stay on the designated track.
- Whilst it is clearly not compulsory to actually physically run, students need to understand that not completing the race in a reasonable time may cause congestion in the race, which is a safety issue we would like to avoid. Therefore, students are not to loiter in one area or walk at a slow pace.
- As is the norm with any endurance activity, students are advised to ensure they have adequate water to maintain fluid intake & control body temperature. Water is the best and only fluid necessary. Remember to drink small amounts of water regularly throughout the day. If students bring their own sports drinks, it is recommended they drink them after their race and not before. Students are also advised to protect themselves from the harmful effects of the sun and Slip, Slop, Slap, Wrap on the day.
- Remember, the main focus of the day is fun and participation, so please avoid any behaviour that is silly and dangerous.
- At the finish line you will enter a funnel leading to the recorders desk. Please keep the same order you finished in.
- Students are responsible for keeping their house area clean by putting their rubbish in the bins.
- Students must run with a competitor number on their forearm.
- No senior students are allowed to drive to the carnival.
- If carnival is cancelled due to poor weather, check school website after 7am. Be prepared for normal lessons.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE

8.50am-10.46am  Period 1 & 2: Normal lessons (Tuesday Bell Times)

10.46am  School Assembly on the quad after period 2.

11.00am  Buses to St Ives Showground

11.30am  Checkpoint Staff & Recorders to meet at the announcer's desk. Teacher instruction / Checkpoint Staff & Year 7 to walk the course. (Checkpoints A-J walk & Yr 7 walk with Doug/ Katherine, Checkpoints K-O walk with Sandy, Checkpoints P-W walk with Michael)

12.30 pm  16/17/18 yrs Boys  5500m
12.45pm  17/18 yrs Girls  4000m
1.00pm  15 yrs Boys/16 yrs Girls  4000m
1.15pm  14 yrs Boys  4000m
1.30pm  15 yrs Girls/12 yrs Boys  3000m
1.45pm  14 yrs Girls/13 yrs Boys  3000m
2.00pm  12/13 yrs Girls  3000m
2.30pm  Clean up & walk to buses.
3.00pm  Return to school via Gordon Station.
3.15pm  Dismissed from school
Principal: Mr Watson

Carnival Organiser: Mr Kettels

Marshalls / Check Starter: Mr Muncey, Ms Moss, Ms Paterson, Ms Bodley

Judges: Ms Robertson, Mr Lawler, Mr Walker

Recorders: Ms Terrey, Ms Kerrison, Ms Gerardi, Ms Jaeger, Ms Kiernan, Ms Taggart, Ms Harrison, Ms Regan

Announcer: Mr Holmes

Starter: Mr Ramsay

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Rover: Mr Hepburn, Mr Champion

Games’ Coordinator: Ms Gettens, Mr Foster, Mr Beerden, Mr Moore

BBQ/Drinks: Ms Li, Mr Noronha, Ms Miller  Staff Lunch: Ms Bond, Ms Doherty

First Aid: Mr Kettels / Ms Terrey  Photography: Ms McGurgan

Walk the course with Staff: Mr Hepburn (A-J), Ms Terrey (K-O), Mr Kettels (P-W)

House Patrons: Mr Rice (Harper), Ms Vallis (Jamieson), Ms Cooper (Overton) Ms Bond (Thompson)

General Supervision: Mr Ryan, Ms Cartwright, Mr O’Connell, Ms Wigmore, Ms Broughton, Ms Smith
CROSS COUNTRY TRACKS X 3 MAPS

MAP 1
3000 metre track
Solid RED line marked with RED signs on the day