

# The Hills Sports High School Newsletter

## From the Principal's Desk

#### STAFF UPDATE

Mrs Wallis – promoted to Deputy Principal at Nepean CAPA High School

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Mrs}}$  Jameson – new permanent Head Teacher Visual Arts & CAPA

Mrs McClenahan – new permanent Learning and Support Teacher

Mr Jessop – new permanent Mathematics Teacher

Ms Arnold - new permanent Music Teacher

Mr O'Connor – Relieving Head Teacher TAS

#### NAPLAN

NAPLAN tests in Literacy and Numeracy for Year 7 & 9 were already held this term. These tests were compulsory for all students in Years 7 & 9. At this school they are conducted under the guidance of Mrs McClenahan and I thank her and the staff for the superb organisation of these tests.

The students should be congratulated too; their behaviour and effort were excellent throughout the period.

The results are released in August and I look forward to seeing the continual improvement which has become a feature of our school's results over the past few years.

The staff will use the results to shape their teaching programs and lessons to help students to improve their skills further

#### DEBATING

I had the pleasure of watching a debate by our senior team recently and was impressed by the quality of our teams. We defeated James Ruse HS and the quality of all the speakers was exceptional.

Ms Andrews has spent many hours coaching and coordinating the teams with the help from Ms Heard and the English staff. I congratulate her and all of the other teachers and students for bringing such lively and interesting competitions to our school.

#### ATHELTICS CARNIVAL

The two-day school Athletics Carnival will be held at Blacktown Olympic Park on Tuesday 5 June and Wednesday 6 June this year.

The PDHPE staff are busily preparing the program and the events. If this year is anything like previous years, it will be a great success and a most enjoyable couple of days.

Parents are most welcome to attend to cheer on the students as they strive for personal bests.

#### **P&C MEETING UPDATE**

Our P&C Meeting this term was held on Wednesday 30 May

in the school library and it was also the AGM where new office bearers were elected for 2018/19. The President is Mrs Renae McClachlin and the Treasurer/Secretary is Mrs Jo McWhirter.

May 2018

Members of our P&C and other parents have been instrumental in supporting our school as members of committees, on staff selection panels and in student enrolments panels. The school three year plan has been created and published on our website with valuable contributions from our parent representatives. A big thank you to all the parents involved in these and similar activities.

#### PARENT TEACHER NIGHT BOOKINGS

This year we will continue on our electronic system of bookings for parent/teacher interviews.

The electronic booking system will be used for each of our parent/teacher interview afternoons/nights commencing with the Year 12 night on Wednesday 13 June 2018. Bookings for this event are now open.

Parent Teacher interviews of the other years are planned for the following dates:

Years 7/9 plus TSP Mentors Tuesday 3 July (3.30 - 6pm)

Years 8/10/11 plus TSP Mentors Wednesday 4 July (3.30 – 6pm)

An information sheet will be sent home explaining how parents can log into our system and make bookings to see teachers. Parents will be able to print a schedule of appointments made to carry on the night to keep you on time and on track.

The school will send the website address and password via sms to parents' phones as well. If any parent is unable to access the internet then the alternative is to call the office so that the secretary can make the appointment for you. You can also ask your child to see their teachers who can log in to the system to make an appointment on your behalf.

We hope that this system continues to make it easier for you to make suitable appointment times to see teachers. I encourage all parents of Year 12 students to make appointments to be here on 13 June where reports will also be available for collection from Mrs Middleton.

#### YEAR 10, 11 & 12 REQUIREMENTS

I wish to remind all students in the senior school that each of the Year Levels have requirements that need to be met in order to qualify for the eventual award of the Record of School Achievement (ROSA), the Year 11 Preliminary accreditation and, of course, the HSC in Year 12.

All Year 11 (Preliminary Course) students are now also graded and this grade will be included on the ROSA as well as the grade received for Year 10. Unfortunately, some students are now in danger of not qualifying for the ROSA. Mrs Middleton has commenced interviews with students and parents to attempt to rectify this situation. Should a student fail to complete mandatory course requirements then the subsequent N -Award will mean that he/she would not qualify for the award of the ROSA, the Year 11 Preliminary or Year 12 HSC awards.

All students should be working to the best of their ability in order to satisfy the Board of Studies requirements in these final three years of school. I hope that those students struggling with their work and other commitments at the moment are able to rectify this problem quickly.

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL)

Our PBL system is now integral to the school - results

on the assessment of the school's implementation of this program indicated 90% compliance which means we can now be called a "PBL School" officially.

We are now progressing with our implementation of PBL into other areas of the school, particularly classroom structures and management.

Many students are now receiving positive recognition for more of their achievements due to the teacher's focus on positive behaviours and their reward.

My best wishes to all students and families for a successful term.

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# 2018 Term Calendar Dates

Term 1 – Tuesday, 30 January to Friday, 13 April 2018 (11 weeks)

Term 2 – Tuesday, 1 May to Friday, 6 July 2018 (10 weeks)

Term 3 – Tuesday, 24 July to Friday, 28 September 2018 (10 weeks)

Term 4 – Monday, 15 October to Wednesday, 19 December 2018 (10 weeks)



# KILDARE ROAD MEDICAL CENTRE

# Dr. Kabir Ahmed, FRNZCGP, FRACGP

Dr. Ahmed graduated from Dhaka Medical College, Bangladesh. He went on to study at the University of Otago, where he attained a Master of Immunology and worked in probiotic research at Massey University, before starting a career in General Medicine. Dr. Ahmed practiced in New Zealand for 14 years, mainly in internal medicine in a hospital setting before relocating to Australia.

Interests: Aboriginal health, chronic care management, emergency medicine and palliative medicine.

Languages: Bengali

To make an appointment with Dr. Ahmed, go online at kildaremedical.com.au, use the Appointuit App or call Reception on 8822 3000

BULK BILLING OPEN 7 DAYS

36 Kildare Road, Blacktown, NSW 2148 kildaremedical.com.au

## **PBL—Positive Behaviour Learning**

The Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) team organised a respect competition to promote one of our core school values, 'Respect'. Each roll call group had to come up with a hashtag as a class that demonstrates the value of respect. The best hashtags were then chosen through a voting system by the students and teachers. The winners were rewarded with a tray of star brownies and merit awards. The winning hashtags are as follows:

#Giveit2Getit – 7.5

#respectandberespected -PTR 8.2

#respectstartswithyou - 9.2

<u> #star – 10.1</u>

#earntnotgiven – 11.2

#expectrespect - 12.1

Congratulations to all the winning roll call teams! Miss Krinton



# **School Opal cards**

# Reminder to students to "tap on and tap off" with their School Opal cards"

Opal data gathered by tapping on and off is used to determine demand for bus services. If students don't tap on and tap off, services may be cancelled

## "Camp Life"

We all woke up early on a Wednesday morning and headed off to school. Mr Chen marked our names off the list which confirmed that we are going to camp. Woo hoo!

With all of Year 7 jumping around we excitedly got on the bus which transported us to 'The Great Aussie Bush Camp.' The bus ride was long but we finally made it.

After we settled down in our tents, we got assigned to our mentors and they escorted us to our first activity. Yay! I think we speak for all when we say the activities were incredible. There was canoeing, the 'Leap of Faith', pioneering, the vertical challenge, a giant swing and one of year 7s favourites; Lost Island aka the Mud Run.

Unfortunately, we all missed out on commando but luckily that was replaced with stories around

the campfire, which we all enjoyed. The days went by fast, same with both the nights. We all slept in tents surrounded by our new friends, laughter and of course, lollies!

This was an amazing experience that I'm sure we are all glad we did with the HSHS. A special thanks to Mr Chen, Mr Stater, Mrs McClenahan, Ms Almonte, Ms Krinton and Mr Haynes for accompanying Year 7 on this fantastic camp.

Shaylise Hewitt and Cooper Mateo, 7E









# **Drama News**

# Theatresports

This term we have been busily preparing for both the Senior and Intermediate Theatresports competitions. This year our Senior team consisted of Taylor Guy, Jasmine Burns and Medha Naudiyal who did an amazing job performing improvised scenes at William Clark College.

It was so difficult choosing our intermediate team this year – we had so many talented year 9 students who tried out! Our final team were Ellenor Koch, Jamal Matallah, Palvisha Farooq, Nirujan Kanthy and Craig Thway. These students represented their school with pride and had the audience in fits of laughter throughout their performances at Girraween High School on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May.



Soon we will be having auditions for our Junior team (year 7 & 8's) who will be competing in competitions during Term 3 & 4.



# Improvisation workshop with Belvoir Street Theatre

Interested Drama students from years 7-11 took part in an improvisation workshop this term that was run by a professional practitioner from Belvoir Street Theatre. Students were able to learn improvisation fundamentals and utilised these skills in a variety of individual and group activities. It was great to see the students build their confidence performing in front of an audience and developing their skills whilst working in ensemble situations.



## Drama Club

Drama club is continuing to run every **Wednesday** from 1.54pm – 2.45pm. This is a chance for students from year 7-10 to participate in extracurricular drama activities, meet new friends and enhance creativity.

Please contact Miss Jacqueline Diaz or Miss Ellyn Heard if you would like to enquire further.





The Athletics Carnival will be held at Blacktown International Sports Park, Eastern Road, Rooty Hill on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June and Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018. The carnival will go ahead regardless of the weather.

These days are classified as normal school days and attendance is compulsory.

For Years 7-10 PDHPE students, part of their formal assessment includes competing in a minimum of four (4) events at the carnival.

Students can make their own way to the venue or catch the bus from school. Students catching the bus from school must be at school at 8.10am and will return to school by 2.45pm. Students making their own way to the venue by train will be met at Rooty Hill Station and transported by bus to the venue. Students will be transported back to the station in the same manner in the afternoon. NO STUDENT IS TO WALK FROM ROOTY HILL STATION TO BLACKTOWN INTERNATIONAL SPORTS PARK.

Students who will be leaving the carnival with another parent are to arrange this prior to the carnival by providing a note to the front office.

Students are requested to wear house colours and bring a hat and sunscreen. Canteen facilities and a BBQ will be available.

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me on 96227300.

Please return the permission note attached by Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May if you have not done so already.

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(Athletics Convener)

## TUESDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2018 Day 1 Track and Field Program

Time	Event	Round
9.30am	Boys / Girls 3000 metre – 17+ years	Finals
10.00am	Boys / Girls 100 metre – 12 – 17+ years	Heats
11.00am	Girls 3000 metre – 14 & under	Final
11.30am	Boys / Girls 200 metre Hurdles – 15 yrs & under	Final
11.45am	Boys 3000 metre – 15 & under	Final
	Boys 110 metre Hurdles – 17+ - 16 years	Final
12.00pm	Boys 100 metre Hurdles – 15-14 years	Final
	Girls 100 metre Hurdles – 17+ - 16 years	Final
12.30	Boys / Girls 800 metre – 16 – 17+years	Final
	Girls 90 metre Hurdles – 15 - 14years	Final
10 1Epm	Boys 90 metre Hurdles – 13 years	Final
12.45pm	Girls 80 metre Hurdles – 13 -12 years	Final
	Boys 80 metre Hurdles – 12 years	Final
1.15pm	Boys / Girls 800 metre – 15 - 12 years	Final
1.45pm	Boys / Girls 100 metre – 12 – 17+ years (if required)	Final

	High Jump	Triple Jump	Long Jump	Shot Put	Discus 1	Discus 2	Javelin
9.30am	Boys 13	Boys 15	Girls 14	Boys 12	Boys 17+	Girls 15	Boys 14
10.30am	Boys 12 Girls 12	Boys 16					Boys 16
10.45am	1		Boys 14	Boys 15		Girls 16/17+	
11.30am	Girls 14/15	Boys 17+		1			Boys 13
12.00pm			Girls 12	Boys 14	Boys 15	Girls 14	
12.30pm	Boys 14	Girls 16/17+					Girl 13
1.15pm			Boys 15	Boys 17+	Boys 13	Boys 16	
1.30pm	Girls 13	Girls 15					Girls 16/17+

## WEDNESDAY 6th JUNE 2018 Day 2 Track Program

Time	Event	Round
8.30am	Boys / Girls 3000 metre Walk – 17+ years	Finals
9.30am	Boys / Girls 200 metre – 12 – 17+ years	Heats
11.00am	Boys / Girls 1500 metre – 14 - 17+years	Final
12.00pm	Boys / Girls 400 metre – 14 – 17+ years	Final
10.20	Girls 1500 metre Walk – 14 years & under	Final
12.30pm	Boys 1500 metre Walk – 15 years & under	Final
1.00pm Boys / Girls 200 metre – 12 – 17+ years (if required)		Final
1.15pm	Relays (time permitting)	

	High Jump	Long Jump 1	Long Jump 2	Shot Put 1	Shot Put 2	Discus	Javelin
9.30am	Boys 17+	Boys 16	Girls 16	Girls 17+	Girls 15	Girls 12	Girls 14
10.30am	Boys 16						Boys 15
10.45am		Boys 12	Girls 15	Boys 13	Girls 14	Girls 13	
11.30am	Girls 16/17+						Girls 15
12.00pm		Boys 13	Girls 13	Boys 16	Girls 16	Boys 14	
12.30pm	Boys 15						Boys 17+
1.15pm		Boys 17+	Girls 17+	Girls 12	Girls 13	Boys 12	
1.30pm							









## BLACKTOWN CITY COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL LINKS AND SISTER CITIES BLACKTOWN SHOWCASE 2018

The Blacktown International Links and Sister Cities program is seeking to create a talent pool of performers to participate in our events over the next 12 months including proposed trips to South Korea, New Zealand and Liverpool Plains in Northern NSW.

Residents of Blacktown aged between 14 and 17 are invited to apply to participate in an audition in the Bowman Hall, Blacktown Civic Centre on one of four dates:

Tuesday 19 June 2018 6pm – 9pm Tuesday 26 June 2018 6pm – 9pm Thursday 28 June 2018 6pm – 9pm Tuesday 3 July 2018 6pm – 9pm

Performers may be solo, duo or trio and perform as vocalist,

#### **Terms and Conditions**

You must NOT be classified as a professional artist, band or group to take part in this event. There is no payment.

# All participants must be aged between fourteen (14) years and seventeen (17) years of age as of 31 December 2018.

Each competitor(s) will sing or perform one song on stage in front of three (3) Judges appointed by Council.

#### Maximum of four (4) minutes per act.

A full PA System with professional operator will be in use. Media - preferably CD, USB (MP3 only not WMA) with the music files only. Or brought on own device (eg Laptop, Ipod, Phone, Tablet with aux out connection). An Auxiliary Cable for device will be available at the Mixing Console.

# All participants must register on the Registration Form and will be confirmed of date and time of performance by phone or email.

Performers must reside in the Blacktown Local Government area

## Applications close 5pm on Friday 8 June 2018.

All applicants will be photographed. Photos may be used for promotional and marketing collateral. Permission will be sought prior to use.

# The Hills Sports High School SECOND HAND UNIEORM



Uniform Shop Opening Times 2018

1 <sup>st</sup> Wedn	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month during 2018				
	8.00AM -8.30AM				
7 <sup>th</sup> March	4 <sup>th</sup> April	2 <sup>nd</sup> May			
4 <sup>th</sup> July	1 <sup>st</sup> August	5 <sup>th</sup> September			
17 <sup>th</sup> October	7 <sup>th</sup> November	5 <sup>th</sup> December			

Second Hand items available are:-

Junior girls blouse - \$10	Grey pants - \$25	Sports polo shirt - \$10
Skirt - \$30	Grey shorts - \$20	Jumper - \$30
Junior boys shirt - \$10	Sports jacket - \$30	

Also available at the shop are:-

- The Hills Sports High socks in various sizes and styles can be purchased for \$9.
- The Hills Sports High Jacket for \$95.



This image is a draft, there may be slight changes, zip length, attached hood etc. to the final product.

