

Marsden Mail

Term 4 Week 2



Principal's report Term 4 Week 2

Welcome back to another term of great learning opportunities at Marsden High School. The very best to our HSC students, who begin their exams this week.

At Marsden High we build students' hearts, minds and vision to be 21st Century learners.

If we were going to ask ourselves what qualities do we want our students to build, we would be thinking, such things as 'resilience, initiative, creativity, persistence and personal dedication to achieve their best. This idea can be seen in the story of a young man I have known since he was very young. William Chapman who is 20 has been awaiting a heart and lung transplant. Not just a heart or a lung, but both. If he did not receive them, he would not live to see Christmas. Last week he was given a Gracious GIFT! He received a Donor Heart and Lung. Read his story.....Register to be an Organ Donor and like http://www.facebook.com/pages/A-Gracious-Gift/157332944400870

Register for a Gracious Gift. Be an organ donor.





A week ago today my life was saved by a beautiful organ donor and their loved ones decision to honour their wishes. I'll never be able to thank my donor or their family but their selfless act in immense tragedy has saved my life, transforming me from the most desperate condition to a position of stability where I can ponder my future. Words will never be enough to describe my appreciation and gracefulness for this selflessness. Thank you to my family, Professor Allan Glanville, Professor David Celermajer, Professor Peter MacDonald and the amazing surgery team lead by Dr Phillip Spratt for providing an irreplaceable, world best service. Physiotherapist, nurses, wards staff and everyone else who contributes to the functioning behind scenes, I also thank you. Looking forward to recovering and ensuring this problem is resolved, because today alone we will again lose another 3 because of Australia's donor crisis. W, xx Ayeong ha Seyo.. Korea



Our Marsden Team of teachers and students had a great adventure to Korea in the holidays and as can be said, travel broadens the mind and provides amazing opportunities to learn new things. Marsden continues to provide opportunities for our students to

become global citizens. Congratulations to all who travelled, you represented our school community admirably. What we learnt. Korea makes Samsung, Hyundai means "modern or contemporary

times", that LG actually means Lucky Goldstar, not Life is Good... And that Korean people have literally rebuilt their country from the ashes in 70 years, its national holiday 3 Oct, celebrating National Foundation day signifying when the heavens opened.











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Building innovation philosophy with our Teachers!

This week a team of teachers are travelling to visit schools in the Hunter and Newcastle area to look at leading public schools and innovative programs. In particular Big Picture Classrooms, quality teaching using technology, innovation in student voice programs and student engagement. Our teachers are leaders in establishing new ways of engaging our students, therefore we are always open to cutting edge ideas about ways to make learning interesting and fruitful for our students. The other major teacher learning program is that our teachers are busy learning how to use their iPads.. look out Marsden! iPads are coming to your learning.



Our Student Voice 2013

As we farewell our 2012 student leaders, our 2013 leaders are beginning their journey. Our SRC leaders will travel to Morisset with the 2013 SRC coordinator Ms Bernyk to begin their student leadership planning. This great new group of student leaders will outline their planning and begin to create strategies for 2013.

It's all go at Marsden Term 4 2013

- Mate program for Year 5 & 6 Students begins
- Granny Smith Festival
- SRC Leadership Day
- Tasmania Trip for History Elective
- Legal Studies excurision to court
- Student leaders to Parliament House
- Year 7 and 8 Swimming
- Study for upcoming Exams
- iPad Initiative Parent Meetings
- Year 12 2013 Information Evening

Have a great week.

Ms Denise Lofts Principal Marsden High School What I am reading.Classroom Portraits across the world & Mobile learning Devices <u>http://www.fubiz.net/2012/10/08/classroom-portraits/</u> http://www.edutopia.org/mobile-devices-learning-resource-guide

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Our next P&C meeting is on Tuesday 30th October in the Library at 7:30pm

Calendar

October

- 8 Start of term 4 all students
- 15 HSC Exams commence
- 18 Yr 12 Legal Studies Excursion to Supreme Court
- 18 Yr 8 Swimming P3 & P4
- 22 Yr 7 Swimming P3 & P4
- 25 Yr 8 Swimming P3 & P4
- 29 Yr 7 Swimming P3 & P4
 - Yr 12 2013 Information Evening

Tour of Marsden High School with our Principal Mrs Denise Lofts

If you missed our Open Day please join us and contact the office to book in for our school tours on 9874 6544

Tour date Thursday 1st November 4-5pm

Year 7 Enrolments 2013

Orientation Day 9.30am Wednesday 5th December 2012 in the Marsden High School Auditorium.

If you require any further information , please contact Sharron Walden Mon, Wed and Friday's.

Uniform Shop News

New Blazer Scheme

Blazers will be available to order term 4 (Announcements closer to order date during roll call)

The P&C of Marsden have generously decided to sponsor every blazer purchased with \$50, therefore costing the parents \$100. In addition on returning the Blazer dry cleaned and in good condition at the end of a student's school career, the school will purchase to the value of up to \$50

They may be ordered and as of December 2012 some will be stocked for purchase anytime.

HELP NEEDED

Orientation day for 2013 Year 7 students is Wednesday 5 December 2012. Once again I

need some helpers on that day for a few hours beginning 9am.

Last day the Uniform Shop is open this year is Thursday 13 December 2012. The shop will reopen again on Tuesday 29th January 2013 and be open every morning 8.30am – 10.30am until Friday 1st February 2013. Normal opening hours will commence Wednesday 6th February 2013. Usual opening hours are Wednesday and Thursday 8.30am to 10.30am school days

Study skills tip for October

Effective Study Techniques

We know that students will create more powerful memories when they use active and effective study techniques as opposed to just reading information over and over. But what do we mean by active and effective study techniques? Following are some ideas students can use to increase their range of study techniques.

Students, you can:

- Write strongly visual summaries and study notes

- 3Rs: Read, Recite, Recheck
- Write out what you remember in your own words
- Look, cover, check
- Make up rhymes or songs to help you remember
- Have a parent or friend test you
- Write out lists of questions and answer them
- Make and use flashcards or index cards
- Type what you remember without looking at notes
- Put up formulas and rules around the house
- Teach what you have learnt to someone else
- Form discussion / study groups
- Write out info over and over
- Make recordings of the info you need to learn
- Speak out loud the info you've read to check recall
- Make lists of key points of part of a topic
- Form pictures in your mind of the information
- Keep adding to your study notes to make things clearer
- Check if you know everything listed in syllabus/outcomes/course

In addition to moving information memory, students also need to be able to apply what they

are learning so this means that they also need to do as many different questions and revision sheets and past examination papers as they can.

For more study techniques, and to learn more about 'learning styles', visit the Active Studying unit on <u>www.studyskillshandbook.com.au</u>.

Our school's subscription details are -Username: marsdenhs Password: 181results

Library News

We have been very busy in the library since the start of Term 4 getting ready for the rush of students for all the assignments that will be due soon!! The culling of old books continues but we can see the end of it insight (well at least for this year).

If you still have not accessed World Book Online please try it!! This is a fabulous resource that is updated regularly and can be accessed from home as well as school. You know that the information is credible and can be relied on!! Come to the library and I will help you on log on. Or follow these instructions:

World Book Online:

We have a subscription to 'World Book Student' and 'World Book Student Advanced'. You can access it via the web at school and at home through <u>www.worldbookonline.com</u> and entering the:



Login ID: marsdenhs Password: library The next page will take you to our subscribed pages where you can choose which one to click onto. You can do the tutorial to learn more!!

Library Writing Competition

All entries for the Book Week writing competition are now closed!! If you have a late entry please bring it to me urgently for my consideration. The winner will be announced in the next newsletter!!!

Reading for Pleasure

As the weather heats up why not come into our lovely air-conditioned Library and sit with a fantastic BOOK and travel to all sorts of wondrous places!! Or if you prefer come and browse our up to date magazine collection!!!



This just some of our subscriptions!! You will find magazines on cars, fashion, surfing, technology, film and theatre, health, cooking and current events!!!

So spend some time in your library!! Mrs Knight and myself are always there to help you! Ms Langelaar Teacher Librarian

Science News

2012 R.A.C.I. AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL CHEMISTRY QUIZ:

This is a competition run by The Royal Australian Chemical Institute, based at Charles Sturt University in Bathurst, NSW. It attracts many thousands of students from across Australia, New Zealand, and other parts of the world. The competition provides an excellent assessment of our senior students' scientific ability in Chemistry.



Nineteen of our Year 11 and 12 Chemistry students entered the competition this year. Congratulations to the following students who achieved excellent results

Year 11:

<u>Credit</u>

Jonathan Kuan Yutaka Tsumura

Year 12:

<u>Credit</u> Anubhav Ashish Seunghyo Jang Yik Lau

<u>Distinction</u> Cameron Ding-Farrington

High Distinction

Dang Khoa (Patrick) Phung



Applications Are Now Open!!!

The Minister responsible for Youth Affairs, the Hon. Victor Dominello is seeking young people to nominate themselves to be members of the 2013 NSW Youth Advisory Council. The Youth Advisory Council provides a direct avenue of communication between the young people of NSW and the NSW Government.

Take advantage of this amazing opportunity to get involved and advise the NSW Government on matters of importance to young people and on Government policies and programs which affect young people.

For more information on the Council and details on becoming a member of the 2013 Council go to the Government's Youth website <u>www.youth.nsw.gov.au</u> or email the Executive Officer, Youth Advisory Council <u>yac@yac.nsw.gov.au</u> or phone (02) 9995 0532.

Applications are open until <u>5:00pm, Monday 29</u> October 2012.

Notes from the Music Department

Granny Smith Festival.

The Marsden High School Big Band will be performing at the Granny Smith Festival this year on Saturday, October 20^{th.} We are performing on the Plaza Stage (railway end of the Eastwood Mall) at 11.50 so if you are attending the Festival, come along to hear our fantastic musicians.

Marsden is also being represented on the Core Youth Stage by year 10 students, Zeke Coleman, Ross Trodden and Jordan Amin, members of a successful band, who earlier this year won the Peoples' Choice Award at Ryde Battle of the Bands for the second year running. Check the festival programme for their performance and come and cheer them on.

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Please support our school and the festival. We need students, in full school uniform, to assist on our stall, from 8.30 till 4.30; students to participate in the parade at 9am; and families to come and support our music ensembles and enjoy the festival.

See Mrs Swinkels in the ESL staffroom by Wed 17th October to get involved.

Mrs Trish Swinkels Yr 6 – 7 Transition Co-ordinator Patricia.swinkels@det.nsw.edu.au

International Students Report

We would like to welcome the following International Students to Marsden High School this term.

Michael KIM (Year 8) Caroline CUI (Year 10) Hayley JUNG (Year 8) Nick DU (Year 10) Iris YANG (Year 8) Jason HAN (Year 10) Hau Yeul YU (Year 9) Kevin WU (Year 10) Regina WU (Year 10)

All the students except Han Yeul YU have come from Marsden IEC so they are familiar with the school environment and West Ryde surroundings. However, it is always daunting coming into an English speaking High School where the classes are much larger than the IEC. We would like to wish them well and a care free transition into our school.

Last term, on Tuesday 18th September we farewelled the Year 12 International Students with a Graduation Dinner at a local Korean Restaurant. The students were keen to attend as well as our fantastic office staff Ms Sharron, Ms Fiona and Lincoln Jiang and a few dynamic teachers - Ms Mo, Ms Dalal, Ms Larsen and Mr Leece. Ms Lofts also couldn't resist the opportunity to farewell these students and wish them well in their next academic venture.

Eva McNaughton and Joo Yoon Lee (International Student Coordinators)







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I hope you had an enjoyable holiday! To celebrate the start of term 4, we are giving triple points for purchases made in any fashion, footwear, health and beauty store. Purchases must be made this week and a print out of the attached coupon must be presented to redeem offer. So we urge you to send out the attached notice to all students via newsletter, memo or email.

Congratulations to **Concord West Primary School** who are week 5s first place leaders on the leader board.

As you are aware, the score is calculated on a points per student basis. To view full terms and conditions and your school's position, please visit <u>www.rhodesshoppingcentre.com.au</u> Happy shopping



By Michael Dismorr







Come and shop at our Christmas market and buy someone you love something handmade this Christmas. It will be a fun day for the whole family.

30 plus stalls with Gorgeous handmade originals and delicious treats

> Petting Zoo Jumping Castle Face painting Kids can have their photo with Santa Coffee, cupcakes and eatery area Live entertainment Sausage Sizzle

and more!

WHEN: Saturday 10th November 10AM - 3PM WHERE: West Ryde Public School - Endeavour Street, West Ryde. Stall Holders wanted for jewellery, craft, dothing, children's wear and toys, food and more Please contact: westryde-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or 9874 2515

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Transitions, Body Image, Stress, Technology Final Sessions for 2012!!

Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend the 2012 series of information sessions

When?

Please note all sessions are 7.00pm - 8.30pm

Tue 16 th October	Reach Foundation	Understanding Social Networking – Cyber Strategies	Galston
Wed 24 th October	Reach Foundation	Understanding Social Networking – Cyber Strategies	Hornsby

Where?

Hornsby	Galston
Mission Australia – 1 Coronation Street	Community Health Centre - 17 Arcadia Road

Who?

Reach Foundation was established in 1994 by Jim Stynes OAM (AFL Brownlow Medalist) and Paul Currie (Australian film director). Reach has been making a positive impact on the lives of young Australians for nearly 20 years, promoting mental health and well-being. Our speaker on this topic is Amelia Frid

Enquiries/Bookings

Please contact CAFS (Mission Australia) on (02) 9482 1366 during business hours. Bookings are essential.



