

# Marsden Mail

# Term 3 Week 9

# **Principal's Report**

I spoke this week to our students about the terrible tragedy involving the boy Alan Kurdi, the very young Syrian boy who perished in the seas off the coast of Turkey. The image of this young boy's lifeless body being carried by a Turkish policeman will undoubtedly become one of the defining images of our time. My concern, expressed to Marsden students, is that this tragedy is representative of a far wider tragedy engulfing ordinary people from many countries across the globe. It is important for our students to recognize that in a few short years they will be voters who can influence what our leaders think and do. At Marsden, we value compassion, right thinking and an awareness we all carry as members of the global community. Simplistic and jingoistic solutions to what is essentially a catastrophic humanitarian crisis will simply not do. Let each student be aware of the real facts before we pass judgement on how to respond. We are fortunate to have in our own school community guite a number of refugee students, whose stories are harrowing. They have been wholeheartedly embraced by the school community and show, daily, their appreciation for the opportunities and support they receive. I sincerely hope that in a few short years when our students pass through the school gates for the last time, that they leave with compassion for others, an awareness of responsibility as community members and an independence of mind that enables them evaluate complex matters and make up their own minds about what course of action is most appropriate and worthy.

Gus Vrolyk Principal

# Our next P&C meeting is on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> October in the Library at 7:30pm

P&C

President: Marlicia Travis Treasurer: Andrew Dismorr Secretary: Karen Seifert

Secretary email: marsdenpnc@gmail.com

Meeting in school library, last Tuesday of every month, school terms.

Minutes of meeting available from secretary on request.

# **Canteen Helpers Needed**

The canteen would love to have another 12 volunteers on its books. The normal hours are 10am to 2:30pm. Whether you can help once a month or once a fortnight, we would love to hear from you.

Thursdays and Fridays require the most volunteers. Please contact Rae on 0421 458 890 or the canteen direct on 9858 1367 if you can help

## Calendar

# September

7-18 Year 11 Yearly Exams

10 Yr 7 Gala day

15 Year 7 Muogomarra Excursion (group A)

16 Year 7 Muogomarra Excursion (group B)

17 Year 12 Graduation Assembly Year 12 Graduation Dinner

18 State dance festival excursion

Yr 11 PDHPE excursion

#### October

6-30 Year 7, 8 & 9 exams

7-9 Lithgow visit

7 Marsden Robotics Team Incursion

9 Yr 11 excursion to Olympic Park

12 Year 12 Information evening

12-30 HSC exams

16 U15 girls KO netball

22-30 Yr 11 Outdoor Rec Camp - Lithgow

22-23

27 P&C Meeting

30 GRIP Leadership Camp

#### November

2-6 HSC exams

2-13 Yr 8 exams

2-6 Yr 9 exams

2-6 Yr 10 exams

4 Yr 12 Signout Day

5-6 SRC Leadership Camp

5 Yr 7 & 8 immunisation

9-17 Yr 8 VALID science test

12-13 ATSI Camp

16-17 International students camp

18 Yr 10 concert

19-20 Society & Culture overnight excursion

23 Yr 7 – 9 Koorimurri Cultural day

23-27 Australian Business Week

24 P&C meeting

27 Dance excursion to School Spectacular

#### December

2 Junior Performers Night

3-5 Stage 5 History Interstate trip

3 Yr 7 2016 Orientation Day

9 Sports Assembly

11 Presentation Day

14 Stage 4 & 5 Assembly

# School holiday dates:

# Term 3

Last day of term Fri 18 Sept

# Term 4

Students start Tues 6 Oct Last day of term Wed 16 Dec

# Year 11

Year 11 Exams commenced on Monday 7th September and conclude on 15th September. It is interesting to note that the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) have advised that they will take the Year 11 grades into account when determining which students they will make early university offers to at the conclusion of the HSC. Students who attend TAFE are still expected to attend their TAFE classes during the examination period. Year 11 students will be required to attend classes for the last 3 days of term in Week 10.

Congratulations to the Year 11 Work Studies class who attended Barista training last Wednesday. The students were very engaged the entire day and are now qualified baristas. We look forward to them managing Café Doonya each Friday fortnight, as they appear to be an outstanding group of new baristas.

## Year 12

Scheduled lessons are fast coming to an end for Year 12 students as we note that it is less than 2 weeks until their Graduation ceremony. It is imperative that Year 12 students keep their good study habits going all the way to the HSC exams. It is amazing the difference in marks and ranks that students are still able to make in the lead up to their HSC exams.

Some important dates for Year 12 students and parents/carers that you might like to make sure are in your diary:

Thursday 17th September 10.00am Year 12 Graduation Ceremony

6.30pm Year 12 Graduation Dinner

Monday 12th October Year 12 HSC exams begin

Wednesday 4th November Year 12 Sign out. Students return all textbooks, computers etc.

May I take this opportunity to offer Year 12 students best wishes for their coming exams and for their future studies.

Mrs Symons Deputy Principal

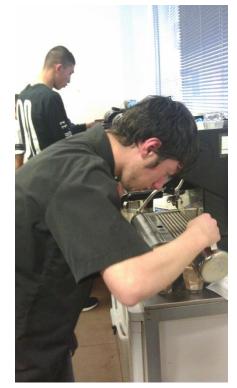


# Year 12 Drama

Thanks to Polly Nowiki who came to the school to work with our Year 12 Drama students. Polly was able to help the students with their drama techniques as a result of her experience in the entertainment industry

We wish to congratulate Year 12 Drama students for completing their HSC performance exams on Friday 28th August. Ms. Kalaidjan supported our students together with our stage crew, Rhys McGilligan, Jason Dang and Nathan Ottawa who were there for our students during tech runs and the HSC exam. We continue to wish Year 12 all the best for their HSC. Ms. Paris.

# **Year 11 Work Studies barista course**

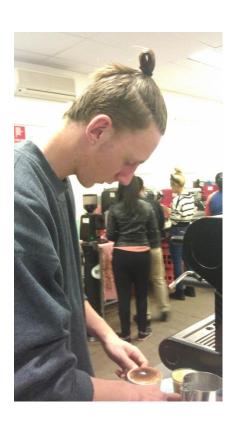












# **Library News**

Book Week at the Library was fantastic. You can still join in on our competitions.

- Borrow a Mystery Book and enter your Book Review after the term break
- Colouring in competition

Our Author visit for Book Week was postponed due to Steven Herrick (our Author) losing his voice. If you would like to know more about Steven Herrick and his fabulous Australian Poetry click on the following link <a href="http://www.stevenherrick.com.au/">http://www.stevenherrick.com.au/</a>

Steven Herrick's visit to the Library

It was great fun and all students were surprised and enjoyed to see a poet performing his own poetry.





As you know our fantastic State Library runs exhibitions (all free throughout the library) for school age students 'Kids @ the library'. They are running

- Tours for kids including a Ghost tour
- A Film: Chitty Chitty Bang Bang
- And my favourite, Caravan Extravaganza a workshop for students on how to make your own Caravan.

Here is the link to see what's on when <a href="http://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/events/series/kids\_at\_the\_library.html">http://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/events/series/kids\_at\_the\_library.html</a>
Don't forget to borrow some books for your holiday reading and have a great break.

Ms Langelaar Teacher Librarian

Open Days for 2015-2016

APM College of Business Communication

The Rocks campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

**Australasian College of Natural Therapies** 

Pyrmont campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

**Australian Catholic University** 

Canberra campus 29 Aug 2015 North Sydney campus 5 Sept 2015 Strathfield campus 12 Sept 2015

**Australian College of Applied Psychology** 

Information nights 14 July, 12 Aug,

11 Nov 2015

For more information, visit www.acap.edu.au

**Australian Maritime College** 

Beauty Point campus 30 Aug 2015 Newnham campus 30 Aug 2015

Campus tours can be arranged by appointment year

round. Visit www.amc.edu.au/visit-amc

Australian National University 29 Aug 2015

For campus tours, visit

http://anu.edu.au/study/events/campus-tours

**Billy Blue College of Design** 

Ultimo campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

**Charles Sturt University** 

Open day every day. For campus tours/appointments and course information, call 1800 DEGREE (1800 334 733) or visit www.csu.edu.au/campustour

**CQ** University

Sydney campus 13 Aug 2015, 2–6pm

Virtual Open Day

(online only) 10 Sept 2015, 10am–6pm For more information, visit www.cgu.edu.au/events

**Griffith University** 

Gold Coast campus 26 July 2015

International College of Management, Sydney

Manly campus 16 Aug 2015

Jansen Newman Institute

Pyrmont campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

La Trobe University

Albury-Wodonga campus 28 Aug 2015 Mildura campus 19 Aug 2015

For other campuses visit www.latrobe.edu.au/openday

Macleay College

Surry Hills campus 22 Aug 2015,

16 Jan 2016

For a personalised campus tour, call 1300 939 888

Macquarie University 12 Sept 2015

**MIT Sydney** 

For campus tours/appointments and course information, call (02) 8267 1400 or visit mit.edu.au

National Art School 29 Aug 2015

**SAE Creative Media Institute** 

Sydney and Byron Bay campuses 8 Aug 2015

For up-to-date information, visit

http://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/ events or free

call 1800 SAE EDU (1800 723 338)

**SIBT** 29 Aug 2015

**Southern Cross University** 

Info days and 'virtual' info sessions

Coffs Harbour campus 7 Dec 2015 Lismore campus 9 Dec 2015 Gold Coast campus 11 Dec 2015

For more information visit www.scu.edu.au/scuinfodays

The Hotel School Sydney 12 Sept 2015

For more information visit.

hotelschool.scu.edu.au/about/info days

University of Canberra 29 Aug 2015

**University of New England** 1 May 2015 For personalised tours, call 1800 818 865 or visit

www.une.edu.au/ campus tours

**University of Newcastle** 

Newcastle campus (Callaghan) 22 Aug 2015 Central Coast campus (Ourimbah)15 Aug 2015 Port Macquarie campus 6 Aug 2015

University of Sydney 29 Aug 2015

University of Technology, Sydney

City and Kuring-gai campuses 29 Aug 2015

**University of Western Sydney** 

Parramatta campus 30 Aug 2015 UWS Campus Experience tours are held throughout the year. To register, visit www.uws.edu.au/ campus experience or call 1300 897 669

**University of Wollongong** 

Wollongong campus 15 Aug 2015 Sydney CBD campus 29 Aug 2015

**UNSW Australia** 

Kensington campus 5 Sept 2015 UNSW Canberra at ADFA 29 Aug 2015

William Blue College of Hospitality Management

The Rocks campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

For information on school visits days, contact

individual institutions



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# **BIT Shopping Tour fundraiser**

Date: Saturday 24th October 2015

Time: 7:30am pick up til late

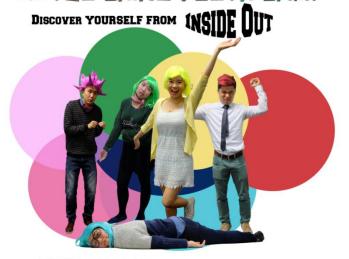
Pick up location: MHS

Cost: \$56 including air conditioned coach, host, morning and afternoon tea and lunch.

Payments: to be made to MHS Front Office



# TZU CHING YOUTH CAMP



# JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF FUN AND BONDING!

Venue: Tzu Chi Australia (20-22 Glen Street, Eastwood)

Day 1: 3rd Oct / Sat, 9am - 5pm
Day 2: 4th Oct / Sun, 9am - 5pm
Cost: \$30 (Vegetarian meals included)

Age Range: 14-18

Interested to sign up? Contact us now:

Angel (Mobile: 0415 863 079 Email: imsosmartangel@gmail.com)

or

Jolin (Mobile: 0452 450 288 Email: yilinzhou I 18@gmail.com)



North Ryde RSL Youth Club **Swimming Club** 2015/2016 SEASON

Sunday Mornings 8am – 10am First Swim - 11 October, 2015. Ryde Aquatic & Leisure Centre, Ryde

#### REGISTRATION:

Ryde Aquatic & Leisure Centre, Ryde 8.30am – 10.30am Sunday 13 September, 2015 or any Sunday morning during the season.

#### **Trial Swimmers Welcome**

For more information visit our website: http://www.nrrslyc\_swimming.websyte.com.au or contact:-

Cathy Ledger 0434 226 622
Kate Gough 0425 239 660
Zach McCann 0458 002 223
Or Email us at – <u>nrrslswimclub@gmail.com</u>







# INTEGRATED YOUTH SERVICE HUB

# School Holiday Program Permission Slip

DON'T MISS OUT! BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL! For ages 11-18 years old only. For more information and bookings Phone: 9874 7458 / 0416733494

167 Shaftsbury Road, Eastwood Email: theshack@theshack.org.au

# OUR SPACE & THE SHACK SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM (One form per child)

Date	Time	Activity	Venue	Cost	Tick activities to attend
Week 1					
Monday 21/9/15	11am – 3pm	Chinese Food Cooking Day Dumplings and handmade noodles Includes all food items	Our Space - Eastwood	\$5.00	
Tuesday 22/9/15	11am - 3pm	Movies – Pixels [PG] Includes tickets, snacks and transport	Macquarie	\$12.00	
Thursday 24/9/15	11am - 3pm	Tennis & Tabletennis @ STARS Lunch included	Marsfield	Free	
Friday 25/9/15	11am - 3pm	Street Art Workshop (Stencil and Spray art) Lunch included	Our Space - Eastwood	Free	
Week 2					
Monday 28/9/15	11am – 3pm	Italian Food Cooking Day Ravioli and Risotto Includes all food items	Our Space - Eastwood	\$5.00	
Tuesday 29/9/15	11am - 3pm	DIY 3D Paper Craft Workshop Lunch included	Our Space - Eastwood	Free	
Thursday 1/10/15	11am - 3pm	Surf Rider Includes entry, lunch and transport	Ryde Pool	\$12.00	
Friday 2/10/15	3pm – 7pm	Hip Hop Dance Workshop & Movie Night Lunch included	Our Space - Eastwood	Free	

Note: All program starts and finish at Our Space Eastwood centre.

PARTICIPANT'S (YOUNG PERSONS) DETAILS:

# Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ D.O.B \_\_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_





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