HOMEBOURSH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL ANZAC DAY SERVICE

On Friday, May 2, the school recognised Anzac Day with our special Anzac Day assembly. The wonderful drum corps created the atmosphere for the event and our speakers were Vidhushan Paheerathan (Captain), Bassel Rana (Vice Captain) and Derren Mehmet (senior prefect). Our entire student body showed the quiet respect that is required at such an event, as we reflected on those who have served and sacrificed for our nation. Following is a short extract from Bassel's speech:

“Each Anzac Day and at each Anzac assembly we should all take a moment to remember all those who died in wars all over the world. Last week, war veterans marched through the streets and many people laid wreaths of flowers on War Memorials. Others people attended dawn services at local memorials and services’ clubs to remember those who served and died. Many people made the pilgrimage to Anzac Cove as the Turkish, Australian and New Zealand governments held special memorial ceremonies. Today’s ceremony is our chance, as a school, to remember the sacrifice of our fellow Australians...”
PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
The Integration Project- Lifts and Ramps.

In the last Bulletin, I reported on this major building project and indicated that all “will be completed in March”. Clearly, I was wrong and the project looks to have no end in sight. Why? Well the builders, Axis Constructions explain that some particular site issues (porous brickwork, overly large footings etc) and delays with the lift company, Easy Living, have caused the delay. Regardless of the reasons it is now 2 months behind schedule and no one will guess as to when it will be finished.

On a positive note, the boys have been fabulous. Their playground is reduced, the works are noisy and dusty but the handball continues and I have heard no complaints. The boys politely ask staff to retrieve balls from behind the construction fences and wait patiently. The staff have helped move traffic around reduced corridors and learning goes on. Thanks to the school community. Just keep saying “it will be worth it when finished”.

Term 2 Timetable

We implemented an entirely new timetable for all students and staff. This was a major undertaking by our timetable team led by Ms Dwyer and Mr Halkidis. The major changes were made because a decrease in enrolments (down to 1250) meant the school lost teaching positions and staff who transferred, resigned or retired were not replaced. Although we implemented class cut backs throughout the school, Year 7 bore the brunt of change with 7C students moved to other classes. We are well aware that it is difficult settling into a new school and year 7 has done very well. The change to 7C was not done without a great deal of thought and planning. We will monitor the progress of all students but especially the boys who have been moved to a new group with different teachers and programs.

Staff Changes

We are also sad to see Year 7 also lose their year advisers. Ms Quick was promoted to Head Teacher Social Science at Chatswood and Mr Goodwin has resigned and is going overseas to teach in Beijing. We wish them both well. Mr Achmad and Ms Lutak are now the Year 7 advisers and Ms Su is Year 8 assistant adviser. Congratulations to all these staff. Mr John Pearson, the long serving Head Teacher of Social Science has earned a well-deserved retirement. However, John is still coaching the first grade volleyball team whilst they keep winning their state knock out games. Mr Baron Gold, science, has also finalised his teaching and retired and we wish him well.

National Day of Action Against Bullying

On the 21st March, the school supported the Day of Action and Harmony Day with a special assembly and the production of a massive banner which hundreds signed. The school ran highly structured lessons in roll call designed to develop a coordinated plea to recognise bullying and to devise strategies to minimise the incidence of bullying. My thanks to Ms Budanovic (HT Student Wellbeing) for leading this program and Ms Milovanovic (HT Teaching and Learning) for her assistance. In term 2 lessons will begin on SenseAbility, a program designed by Beyond Blue, to support young people.


Students will learn how to develop resilience and management strategies to avoid the loss of self-esteem that can result from bullying. I thank Ms Budanovic for instigating this impressive program.
Parent Support

I thank the P&C (President Mrs Kathy Totidis) and School Council (President Mrs Cathy Scanlan) for their ongoing support for the school and in particular the students. It was great to see the article on public schools in the Strathfield Scene in which Mrs Annette Bremner and sons Kaya (year 10) and Aydin (year 7) were interviewed about their experience at Homebush. It was a very positive story about public education. Mrs Bremner is the P&C secretary and is a tireless worker for the school. It is wonderful to work in such a warm and vibrant community.

Band Camp

Held at Namaroo Conference Centre, this camp was a great success. We were pleased to hold this with Strathfield Girls HS and this was the second year when we combined our schools. This was an excellent decision. The student’s final concert was brilliant and my thanks to Ms Tracy Burjan (Leader), Ms Gobel (Wind Instruments) and Ms Smith (Guitars).

BYOD

Thankyou to Mr Ramana Kirubagaran (IT Manager) and Mr Sheath (HT Computing) for their leadership of this important program. The Chromebooks are currently being issued to Year 7 and later in the term the program will continue with Year 9 and then Year 8.

ANZAC Ceremonies

I thank all the school leaders who attended ANZAC commemoration ceremonies in Strathfield, Burwood and Concord. Our prefects are always willing to demonstrate our school’s awareness of their roles as citizens and members of the community.

Year 12 Examinations

The year 12 mid – course examinations have successfully concluded and this major assessment block gives students a valuable opportunity to experience “HSC like” conditions. Staff have prepared reports and they will meet with students and parents on Tuesday 27 May at Parent Teacher night to plan the next stage in the run up to the HSC in October.
Carnivals – Swimming and Athletics

Both of these carnivals were fabulous success stories for the school and personally for the athletes who achieved personal bests and some who broke long standing records. The organisation by the sports organiser, Mr Belgre, and the carnival managers was superb. The student support and attendance was unprecedented. Well done to the school community and in particular to managers Mr D Carrozza, Mr B Wilson, Ms Cuneen and Ms Chapman for their hard work and expertise. A special mention must go to year 12 who attended in excellent numbers and wore remarkable garb. They are a unique and vivacious group adding fun and laughter to wonderful school spirit.

The School Captain and the Royal Visit

Our school captain, Vidhushan Paheerathan, was very fortunate to be selected from many school leaders to meet Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge on the occasion of their official welcome to Australia and NSW at the Opera House on 16 April. Vidhushan (known affectionately as VIP) spoke with both of the Royal couple and looked immaculate in his school blazer. Vidhushan was chosen from hundreds of student leaders due his strong commitment to social causes and wonderful record as a volunteer.
Adrian Piccoli MP
Minister for Education

MEDIA RELEASE

Tuesday 13 May 2014

REFORMS TO CREATE A NEW P&C FEDERATION

Minister for Education Adrian Piccoli today announced the NSW Parents and Citizens (P&C) Federation will be reformed by legislation to create an efficient, transparent and accountable organisation to represent the interests of public school parents and communities.

"The new P&C Federation will be able to work effectively to support local P&Cs and be a strong advocate for students, parents and communities," Mr Piccoli said.

"Local P&Cs perform a vital role in most public schools across the State. They will not be affected by these changes to the structure of the Federation.

"I am sure parents will be pleased to be able to help elect a new Federation that, alongside its advocacy role, will be able to continue to provide vital support services for local P&Cs, including insurance."

All parents, carers and community members are encouraged to continue to participate in local P&Cs. However, only parents and carers of current public school students will be able to vote or be elected to the new Federation.

The legislation divides the State into 16 areas which will ensure that parents in Albury are equally represented alongside parents in Abbotsford. A new governing body will be elected which will then select a seven member executive committee to be responsible for the day-to-day running of the Federation.

The Minister will introduce legislation into the NSW Parliament to allow an administrator to be appointed to manage the restructure of the NSW Parents and Citizens Federation.

"Once the legislation is proclaimed, I will appoint an administrator who will temporarily take charge of the organisation, its staff and assets, and arrange for the election of a new, representative governing body," Mr Piccoli said.

"Elections for the new Federation, supervised by the NSW Electoral Commission, will be held in the coming months.

"It is expected that a new Federation governing body will be in place in Term 4, 2014."

MEDIA: Andrew Stevenson – 0428 438 970
Homebush Boys High School 2014 Study Skills Program, commenced in the first weeks of school.

The Study Skills Program assists students with their educational endeavours.

The Senior Program this year included a motivational speaker and exam preparation session presentation by guest speaker Mr Rowan Kunz.

Leading HSC motivational speaker and exam preparation coach Mr Rowan Kunz delivered a HSC Study Skills Workshop to all Year 12 students at Homebush Boys High School.

Mr Rowan Kunz, CEO of Art Smart Education, believes a good study technique is the most important factor in achieving an outstanding Year 12 result.

“Students who achieve ATAR’s of more than 98 are the ones who have learnt to manage their time, study effectively and deal with stress in a very particular way,” said Rowan.

During the workshop Rowan shared techniques and skills that students could apply, in the lead up to their HSC to maximise ATAR outcomes.

The event was hosted by UTS:INSEARCH, the premium pathway provider to UTS. UTS:INSEARCH diplomas can fast track students into the second year (based on achieving the required Grade Point Average and the course you choose) of a UTS Bachelor Degree if they miss out on direct entry into UTS. Students will benefit from learning valuable study skills while at UTS:INSEARCH.

As Head Teacher Teaching and Learning, I would like to thank UTS:INSEARCH, Ms Anton, Careers Adviser, and whole school personnel, with regards to the implementation of this HSC Study Skills Workshop. Most importantly, thank you to our wonderful guest speaker, Mr Rowan Kunz.

Ms Suzi Milovanovic
HT Teaching & Learning
HOME BUSH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST BULLYING AND VIOLENCE ADDRESSED AT HOME BUSH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

Homebush Boys High School is committed to ensuring that schools remain safe places for students to learn and teachers to teach. The school is also determined to prevent violent and bullying behaviour by any member of the school community. Countering bullying is consistent with the school’s endeavours to ensure that Homebush Boys High School is a safe and harmonious environment and to enhance a school culture of co-operation, tolerance and acceptance. This term saw Homebush Boys High School students engage in anti-bullying curriculum activities across the school and engage in Harmony Day celebrations. Students were made aware of the nature of bullying and violence, how to decrease it, what to do if you are being bullied and how to maintain harmonious environments.

This year saw the extension of the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence Program at Homebush Boys High School. Head Teacher Student Wellbeing (Relieving), Ms Budanovic and Head Teacher Teaching and Learning, Ms Milovanovic, engaged students in addressing issues of bullying and violence, through a whole school program that was implemented during roll call. Activities included poetry, bystander behaviour tasks, critical thinking strategies that addressed the types of bullying that exist and a survival tips section. Students completed tasks in classrooms on facets of bullying, and provided a wide range of responses using strategies such as Edward De Bono’s Thinking Hats, Bullying Body Mind Maps, Bloom’s Taxonomy Grids, Critical Thinking Keys and Multiple Intelligences Toolbox. Students concluded the program with a week in review reflection activity, and by establishing their own class pledge.

Students also examined aspects of cyber-bullying across key learning areas. It was great to see students engaging in discussions against cyber-bullying than ever before. The trauma of being cyber-bullied in today’s society is now one of the most difficult challenges that teenagers can face. On a positive note, individuals, that are being attacked, are also those standing up for themselves, according to student discussions and research that is being conducted. Most importantly, victims should not confront their attacker face-to-face, yet go through proper reporting channels.

The overall highlight was the successful organisation of a whole-school assembly that was run by our student leadership group. Staff and students shared personal experiences, presenting stories and reading out poems. Ms Linda Adams presented the school with a canvas banner in honour of this day, inviting students to sign it. Ms Kumaralingam designed a highly successful poetry and poster competition invitation. Many entries were received and prizes awarded. Younis Isik led the school in a final whole school pledge, and invited staff and students, to join in on a barbeque that Mr Madyski organised.

Our highly talented CAPA Faculty, created a student Body of Work, in the representation of a peace symbol, and students enjoyed Anti-Bully Drama presentations, organised by Ms Budanovic and the PD/H/PE Faculty. Ms Loretta Gilchrist led Harmony Day celebrations by organising wonderful displays around the school, and a delicious morning tea for staff.

Bullying and violent actions exist at all levels of our society. We are aware, that the effects of bullying and violence on learning, and general adjustment at school, can be devastating and far reaching, for the students involved. We trust that the whole school community can share the responsibility for combating any form of bullying or violence, whenever it occurs.

Every person at Homebush Boys High School has the right to experience positive and respectful relationships between all members of the school community. They also have the right to learn and teach in a happy and safe environment. Bullying and violent behaviour is not acceptable, at any level, at Homebush Boys High School.

Thank you to whole-school personnel for the implementation of the Anti-Bullying Program and National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence Day, celebrations. Most importantly, thank you to Ms Budanovic, Ms Milovanovic, Ms Adams, Mr Madyski and Ms Kumaralingam, for the organisation and implementation, of such a highly successful event.

Harmony – that’s what it’s all about!

Ms Suzi Milovanovic

Head Teacher Teaching & Learning
Ms Milovanovic, Ms Budanovic, Ms Adams and Ms Kumaralsingham with the Anti-Bullying banner

Students hold the Anti-Bullying banner at the school assembly

Whole school pledge to support action against Anti-Bullying

Students form a peace sign to support Anti-Bullying

Ms Adams with the winners of the Anti-Bullying poster competition
UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS WITH HOMEBUSH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

As Homebush Boys High School Head Teacher Teaching and Learning, I have had the pleasure of both organising and welcoming many practicum teachers that the school has hosted, from our association with over 18 universities. I have had the delight of working with, and assisting many, with both professional learning/experiences and completion of mandatory practicum reports. I acknowledge the efforts of all staff and university personnel in their continued involvement, supervision of practicum teachers and support of teacher education programs.

Homebush Boys High School has established solid community partnerships with universities and supports teacher education programs/professional placements for practicum teachers from over 18 universities. The school last year hosted over 45 teacher practicum placements and continues to do so this year. It is essential that such placements are offered. Practicum teachers are required to attend placements at their allocated school consisting of specified days of lesson observations and actual teaching requirements.

The school has also taken on Internship placements. The internship is conceived as a professional learning bridge between the ending of pre-service professional preparation and the first year of teaching. It is an extended school based-placement in which Interns are expected to consolidate their knowledge and experience across all facets of the role of the teacher in the school. It provides an opportunity to further develop skills in teaching and for Interns to be mentored in preparing themselves as thoroughly as possible for their early experiences of teaching.

I am delighted on the positive comments that have been made by practicum teachers and supervisors. Feedback is provided to both the school and universities on the vital place that their teaching experience has had in their professional development.

Thank you to the many staff for their support of Homebush Boys High School/university teacher education programs. Your efforts are greatly appreciated. The practicum teachers certainly benefit from your knowledge and expertise and we look forward to welcoming them into the teaching profession in the near future.

Ms Suzi Milovanovic
Head Teacher Teaching and Learning

Practicum student teacher Sara Frasca with Yr7 student Gio Ko
Practicum student teacher Hatice Elustu with Yr10 student Seraphim Chemiakoff
INSIDE ARTEXPRESS 2014

Artists create art to communicate ideas, thoughts, or feelings. They use a variety of methods—painting, sculpting, or illustration—and an assortment of materials, including oils, watercolors, acrylics, pastels, pencils, pen and ink, plaster, clay, and computers. Artists' works may be realistic, stylized, or abstract and may depict objects, people, nature, or events.

ARTEXPRESS is a dynamic and popular exhibition that features a selection of outstanding student artworks. These artworks were developed for the artmaking component of the HSC examination in Visual Arts, 2013. ARTEXPRESS includes a broad range of approaches and expressive forms, including ceramics, collection of works, documented forms, drawing, graphic design, painting, photomedia, printmaking, sculpture, textiles and fibre, and time-based forms.

Homebush Boys High School's, highly inspirational and talented, Visual Arts student, Leandros Pandoulis, has been successful in having his Body of Work selected, for the 2014, ARTEXPRESS exhibition. White Bay Dreaming is proudly displayed, in the Art Gallery of NSW.

"My work began by looking out on to the water where the boats lay. I photographed the boats and soon began to look more closely at their intricate surfaces. I observed their rough weathered textures and crumbling layers, and attempted to incorporate these into my work. I also sought to convey the effect time has had on these boats: stripping and corroding their physical stature. As I progressed, my paintings became more abstract; less about the boats as physical vessels, and more about the detrimental effect time and weather have had on them". (Leandros Pandoulis)

His artwork has been paired with works from the Art Gallery of NSW collection. These ‘collection connections’ should be considered as starting points for developing comparisons, contrasts and critical discussion across media, subject matter, techniques and formal qualities with other examples from art history.

Congratulations to Leandros Pandoulis, for his successful entry into this extremely competitive and highly recognised exhibition. Leandros has also had the pleasure of celebrating yet another prestigious award at the launching of ARTEXPRESS. His work, White Bay Dreaming, was selected for the S&S Creativity Unlimited Award, awarded for colour and materials usage. Complimenting all of this, He is also to be congratulated for outstanding HSC results, high ATAR and successful entry into Macquarie University.

Homebush Boys High School encourages whole school community members, to explore all of the artists and works in the 2014 exhibition, along with related artworks in the Gallery’s collection.

This exhibition is currently being held at the Art Gallery of NSW.

Ms Suzi Milovanovic
Head Teacher Teaching and Learning

Leandros with his prize winning artwork at the opening of Artexpress at the Art Gallery of NSW
AMAZING HSC/ATAR RESULTS!

Homebush Boys High School, 2013, Year 12 students have achieved amazing results in the HSC. They have been placed amongst the best in the state. Nayan Bhathela produced an ATAR score of 98.8, AAA recognition and is studying a Bachelor of Combined Law/Computer Science Degree – UNSW. Universities have recognised our students’ achievements, granting them entry into individual courses that have ATAR requirements of 99.5 and over. To our delight, over 90% of our students have received university placements. Highlights have included our early university entry achievers, Mitchell Boyd and Sergei Houhlias and individual students ranked in the top 10 for individual subjects.

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Year 12 Graduation, 2013, marked the end of 6 years at Homebush Boys High School for our Year 12 students. With their schooling commitments finalised, our ex Year 12 students are now busy preparing, for whatever profession or further course of study, they have chosen to undertake.

Many students have impressed me with their commitment to their studies and determination to overcome any weaknesses in work they may have had over the years. It is gratifying to see, their determination and hard work, rewarded with excellent results.

There was a broad range of course choices; however it seems that the majority of our students have chosen to pursue a career pathway in the following areas.

COURSE CHOICES

- Construction
- Business Studies
- Medical Science
- Health Science
- Engineering

On behalf of Homebush Boys High School, I would like to congratulate our 2013, Year 12 students on their amazing HSC results. These university entry placements are well above average for a state comprehensive high school.

I wish all students the very best for the future, and success, in whatever profession or further course of study, they have chosen to undertake.

Ms Suzi Milovanovic
Head Teacher Teaching and Learning
Albert Einstein (1879-1955) stated that “Education is what remains after one has forgotten everything he learned at school”.

Year 7 have now all experienced their virtual trip to France. After filling in their Visa and completing all passport requirements, sorting out travel itinerary, learning new greetings, exploring scenery of interest, preparing their photo album and producing all material needed for their ICT project, all Year 7 have now expanded their horizons and gained some insight into the wonderful sights and culture of the French people. Next on the “tour” list is Korea. All boys have “landed” in Korea and are staring their travel journey. Remembering the above words from Einstein, my wish is that the Year 7 taster course will give the students a memorable education of the world around them. I have always believed that education is not what one learns in the classroom but rather what one choses to do with that knowledge.

Enhancing the learning in Year 7 classes is the introduction of Ipad activities and YES… the students will be using Ipads. The LOTE faculty is proud to announce the introduction of 15 Ipads (that’s 1 between 2 students!), thanks to a grant received by Ms Yu in 2013.. These Ipads are for the exclusive use of the LOTE students and the Apps downloaded on each Ipad will adequately supplement the classwork, provide extension work for the Gifted and Talented students or assist in the learning of our low ability students in all classes. I would like to thank Ms Yu for her devotion towards the Ipad learning initiatives at Homebush Boys High School.

EDMODO vs Moodle-All LOTE students will be very familiar with language activities and profiles in EDMODO. Term 2 marks the beginning or LOTE content and activities placed on Moodle. All students can access Moodle by signing in using their student DEC usernames and passcodes and follow the Quick Links. Check out the Languages page and especially the activities for the Year 7 Korean course this term.

As always, the LOTE Faculty would like to acknowledge all its students who have received Head Teacher LOTE Awards. Congratulations to the following students-keep up the solid efforts.

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All LOTE students have settled well into a very short and deadline driven term-full of assessments (for students) and marking and reporting (for teachers). At the time of writing, Year 12 reports have been completed. Congratulations to the following Year 12 students for their academic achievements in LOTE.

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For your calendar-Please add in your diaries the following two dates: Tuesday 27th May is the Year 11/12 Parent-Teacher afternoon and Tuesday 17th June is the Year 7/8 Parent-Teacher afternoon. Your son will bring home information about these two afternoons soon. I look forward to meeting all LOTE parents.

Year 7-11 students who achieve excellence in Semester 1 LOTE reports will be acknowledged in the next edition of the Bush Bulletin.

For all LOTE students- our faculty classroom practices and requirements remain the same.

- Come prepared for every lesson. Make sure you are punctual, have all resources and have completed all necessary homework tasks.
- Participate in all language classes. Italian, French, Chinese or Korean classes are NOT for spectators only.
- Make sure you are using your DIARY to record homework, incomplete class work, assessment tasks, projects and any other reminders
- Abide by the LOTE Faculty classroom rules
- Abide by the HBHS Student Code of Conduct and
- Respect the learning in ALL classes.
- As Richard Branson (Founder of Virgin Australia) says, Just do It, Have Fun, Be Bold, Challenge Yourself, Stand on your own two Feet, Live the Moment, Value Friends & Family, Have Respect!

For Parents of LOTE students

Please feel free to contact me at school, if you have any queries and/or questions regarding your son’s language studies at HBHS. I will try to assist you in any way possible. Every concern will be addressed and I will endeavour to return all phone calls ASAP.

Finally, a few inspirational thoughts that define my beliefs about education and my vision for all the LOTE students.

- Knowing is NOT enough. We must apply. Willing is NOT enough. We must DO! - Bruce Lee
- It is vital that when educating our children's brains that we do not neglect to educate their hearts. - Dalai Lama
- We have to think and see how we can fundamentally change our education system so that we can train people to develop warm-heartedness early on in order to create a healthier society. I don’t mean we need to change the whole system, just improve it. We need to encourage an understanding that inner peace comes from relying on human values like, love, compassion, tolerance and honesty, and that peace in the world relies on individuals finding inner peace - Dalai Lama

Mrs Matina Shadwick
Head of LOTE Faculty
All is very quiet when our senior classes are doing an exam.

All LOTE classrooms are Bully Free Zones.

The LOTE noticeboard outside Room 34 full of vital info.

Everyone is welcome in the LOTE Department.

Check out the LOTE faculty photo gallery between Room 34 and 35.
Duke of Edinburgh Report
The Cradle Mountain and Freycinet National Park

These activities placed the group in an unfamiliar and new environment which at first may have appeared daunting but held great interest and new things for the team experience. On the hikes students were required to set up camp sites, make camp fires, identify flora and fauna and be involved in team building and decision making. Although we had planned the hike for summertime it felt like we were walking into winter.

In the evenings we congregated around the camp fireplace to keep warm. We had planned a summit walk but did not achieve it due to ice and snow. Instead we took on smaller and shorter walks around Dove Lake and the park.

From Cradle Mountain we took the bus to Freycinet National Park. We did a short day hike around The Bay of Fires, which was stunning.

It was like walking back into summer. The team really enjoyed the coastal environment and its temperate climate.

We welcome any new students that wish to join our team for 2014.

Duke of Edinburgh co-ordinator
Linda Adams
Duke of Edinburgh Students Explore the Sights of Tasmania

Ms Adams with some of the students at a very cold Cradle Mountain in Tasmania
The Gaming RoadShow is on its way! For ALL students 7 to 12
Don’t just play games Learn How to CREATE games.

You are about to discover why more than 500 schools and 20,000 students have participated in the Game Training RoadShow.

**Location:** Homebush Boys High School

**Date:** 03/06/2014
**Time:** 9am - 11am See Computing faculty for further information

There are 7 components to the RoadShow which make the program such a success

1) **The 2 Hour Event:** At the RoadShow Event, students will learn how to create their own spectacular 3D Worlds with hills, ocean, sky and trees which blow in the wind. They will be able to import characters to walk around and vehicles to drive around their world exploring. Students will also learn how to write code within the game environment through our 12 Essential Coding Concepts module to spawn objects, detect collisions, move from one game level to the next and much more.

2) **Student Resource Library:** Students also receive access to the Game Training Resource Library which currently contains over $3,500 worth of commercial quality resources. Plus we add new resources all the time which your students will also be able to download.

3) **Challenges & Rewards:** This is our latest initiative to keep students motivated and learning after the event. Students are given a series of challenges. After completion of each challenge, students are rewarded with bonus resources - these are some of our very best resources and they are only available to students who complete the challenges.

4) **12 Months of Support:** Possibly the most valuable resource students receive is access to our email and ticket based support. If students are stuck, need help, have questions or are receiving errors in their code - we are here to help.

5) **Video Tutorials:** After logging in to the Student Portal, students can watch videos allowing them to move through the content at their own speed at home.

6) **Daily Downloads:** We are excited to announce that in the coming weeks we will be launching a new Daily Downloads area on our website. Over 400 resources have been prepared and a new random resource will be available for students to download every day!

7) **FREE - The Starter Kit:** Every student at your school can use the Activation Code below to access over $250 worth of resources - even if they don’t attend the RoadShow Event, completely FREE. All students from Homebush Boys HS can use the following free code. It will allow them to access the game development software for Mac and Windows as well as $250 worth of resources (absolutely free) until the RoadShow arrives at school.


**Free Activation Code:** 6945714

See Mr Sheath HT Computing for more Information

A further 2 hour Hands-On session has been organised for the afternoon 1 pm to 3 pm for those students wishing to learn more.
## SCHOOL CALENDAR 2014

### Week 4
**May**
19. School photo day - Hall
20. Talent Quest lunchtime hall
21. CHS Football Carnival
22. Winter Sport Round 6 - 1, 2, 3, 4
23. CHS Football Carnival
24. Yr 7 Science Taronga Zoo
25. Zone X-Country

### Week 5
**May**
26. The Hurting Game presentation - year 7
27. Catch-up photo day - TBC
28. u/14 Futsal Regional Tournament
29. Yr 11 & 12 PT Evening
30. Winter Sport Round 7 - 1, 2, 4, 3
31. Australian History Competition
32. Year 7 and Year 9 Vaccinations
33. Waratah Cup Rugby Union
34. UNSW Career Talk at lunch in the Hall

### Week 6
**June**
2. UWS Visit to Homebush BHS in the Hall at lunchtime
3. Game training Roadshow in Hall, Pds 1 to 3
4. Winter Sport Round 8 - 1, 2, 3, 4
5. ICAS Science test
6. Multicultural Day - S Kumaralingam ic (all day)

### Week 7
**June**
9. Queen’s Birthday
10. 21 Yr 12 students to blood donations at Parramatta
11. Hot Pies and Potato Crisps Old Gym Yr9
12. Year 7 & 8 PT Evening
13. Yr 8 BYOD, Parents evening Hall 6pm-7pm
14. Winter Sport Round 9 - 1, 2, 3, 4
15. Sydney North Regional Cross Country
16. STRATHFIELD CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY - 6.00PM
17. U19 Futsal Regional Tournament

### Week 8
**June**
16. Zone Athletics Carnival
17. 17 Yr12 students to blood donations at Parramatta
18. Year 7 & 8 PT Evening
19. UNSW ICT roadshow Hall P1 to 4 and lunch
20. Winter Sport Round 10 - 1, 2, 4, 3
21. Year 10 subject evening
22. Winter Sport Round 11 - 1, 2, 3, 4
23. Last day of term 2

### Week 1
**July**
14. Staff Development Day
15. Students return for Term 3
16. Winter Sport Semifinals - 1, 2, 3, 4

### Week 2
**July**
23. Winter Sport Grand Finals - 1, 2, 3, 4
24. Iftar celebrations in the hall

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### SUBMISSIONS TO BUSH BULLETIN

If you wish to submit a photograph or article to the BB please send it to Mr Kamie Khurshed email address: kamie.khurshed@det.nsw.edu.au
FIRE and RESCUE NSW OPEN DAY 2014

Fire and Rescue NSW is hosting its Annual Open Day on Saturday 17 May 2014 between 10.00am and 2.00pm.

This is a fantastic opportunity for young people and their parents to meet their local firefighters and learn more about home fire safety.

Attached are a selection of banner ads and a story on the FRNSW 2014 Open Day that you can include in your newsletter or notices.

We would appreciate your support in promoting this important community safety event to children, staff, parents and families.

Should you require further information please visit www.fire.nsw.gov.au or click on this link 2014 Open Day Participating Stations to find your local Fire Station and join us on Saturday 17 May 2014.

The Australian Mathematics Competition

The Australian Mathematics Competition, the largest competition of its type in the world, is to be held on the 7th of August. Our school traditionally performs creditably and the students always show a keen interest in participating with well over half the school joining in. All year 7 students are to compete in this prestigious event. The top four classes in the other years are encouraged to register as well as any other student who is interested to challenge himself. The cost is $6 and is to be paid to the classroom Mathematics teacher.

The Maths Clinic is back

The Maths Clinic is now back in business on Mondays and Thursdays in room 50. The clinic, staffed by Mr Halkidis and other volunteers, is open every lunch and provides students with an opportunity to have their mathematical questions answered by experienced staff.

All students are welcomed to attend.
YR12 PREFECTS RECOGNISED FOR THEIR CONDUCT AND LEADERSHIP AT SCHOOL DISCO

The annual school disco held at Burwood GHS for Yrs 7 and 8 students was again a successful event that was enjoyed by everyone. The letter below outlines the involvement of our school prefects on the night that impressed the staff at Burwood GHS especially Ms Julia Alvarado who is the Prefect Coordinator. The boys showed what great ambassadors they are for our school reputation and should be congratulated for their efforts.

To Homebush BHS Principal,
This is just a short note to let you know how impressive the conduct was of your Prefects at the Year 7 and 8 Disco on Thursday evening held at Burwood Girls High School. The boys were polite, were keen to offer assistance, and did an excellent job of dealing with behaviour they thought to be inappropriate by the junior boys from their school. Impressively, they also stayed behind at the end of the evening to help in the cleaning up.

All of the staff in attendance from BGHS were very impressed by their enthusiasm and general good nature. They did an excellent job representing Homebush Boys High School and you can be very proud to call them the leaders of your school. We look forward to further interactions between our Schools’ student leadership teams.

Kind regards,
Julia Alvarado
Prefect Coordinator
Burwood Girls High School
Our students have started 2014 with enthusiasm and dedication.

They have been involved in many interesting programs already including Public Speaking, the National day against bullying campaign, Study Skills, Band Camp, and are continuing their indoor soccer fundraiser.

There are many exciting opportunities coming up in 2014 which we have planned. We look forward to the peer mentoring opportunities that the YWCA and DEC have offered, to develop strong leadership roles within the year.

We also look forward to the rewards which we produce from our hard work, discipline and studies, with high achievers luncheons and gold award excursion planned again for this year.

The National day against bullying and bully buster’s incursion was a great start for students to focus on developing and maintaining positive relationships. The programs looked at how we can change our thinking and through changing our thinking our actions can be more positive. It focused on peer interactions and the use of social media.

Several students have joined us in 2014 we welcome them to Homebush Boys High School and wish them the best in their studies and social life. We encourage you to be active and participate in the richness of our curricular and extra-curricular activities, and new parents to keep contact with your child’s education through visiting parent-teacher events, working bees and p&c functions.

I thank all parents who have ensured their child has a current 2014 school diary. This is a valuable tool for planning building skills to ensure efficient time management and study routine. I have targeted the use of the Diary for all year 8 students for semester 1 and encourage all parents to please sign the diary weekly in the allocated parent column and please support your child by reading teacher’s comments and checking any assessment and homework tasks they have recorded in their entries.

At Homebush Boys High School we are committed to achieving the very best for all, and our students have continued to succeed past the HSC into all walks of life – medicine, sport, teaching, business, and the like. I request parent take the time to talk through career choices and aspirations that your child has for their future, and think about what subjects they may choose for their electives in year 9 and 10. Choices for elective are given in term 3 so some thought and planning is needed to assist your child achieve their goals.

Linda Adams

Year Adviser
School Cross Country

On Friday 4th April 2014, the school conducted its annual cross country. This year saw all of year 7 plus nominated runners from years 8-12 run around a loop course through Airey Park (Homebush) and through the suburban streets of Homebush. The 12s, 13s and 14s managed a 3km run, with the 15s, 16s, 17s and 18s pushing out 4.5km. Neither distances are large, but successfully allowed the better runners to be chosen for zone.

The weather held out as the rain didn’t start until the last student was walking home. This year, we were once again involved in the Adidas School Fun Run. This gave the school access to an inflatable finish line and paraphernalia that students used for cheering on their peers. However, the major outcome of being involved with this initiative was allowing students to raise money for the school and win prizes in return.

The students who raised money are encouraged to get their donations finalised and brought into school by Friday this week (11/4/14). Congratulations to Corey Junior Sharma-Constance who was the first student past the finish line in the senior groupings and to Cooper Newton who was first across the line in the junior ages. A tremendous effort for two Year 9 students!

A massive thank you to the year 11 and 12 SFR students and to the year 11 SLR boys that helped on the day.

Jonathon Sculthorpe
Head Teacher PDHPE

Cooper Newton
Corey Junior Sharma-Constance

Students ready for the start of their cross country race
Since the last edition of the Bush Bulletin we have seen so many great things from our students at Homebush Boys on the sporting field. We have had our Summer Grand-Finals, CHS Swimming Carnival domination and fantastic state knockout results.

We had an extremely successful summer season with 24 teams playing in semi-finals, with seventeen teams progressing to the grand-final. All the boys playing in grand-finals were fantastic and showed the true BUSH spirit by giving their all for their team mates and the school. We won 7 grand-finals, which is a good effort. Unfortunately we narrowly missed out in a few games but that is what can happen on Grand Final day. A list of all the grand final winning teams and players are in this edition of the bulletin. Congratulations to all students and coaches involved.

Our knockout teams have been impressive in 2014. Mr Pearson and his all-star volleyball team have progressed to the regional final. They have had some dominant results on their way to the final. A win will send the boys to the last 16 championships at the end of the term. Our Opens football team have made a strong start to their State title defence progressing through to the regional final as well. The team has now won 11 games in a row in this knockout competition, a fantastic achievement. A win in the regional final will see them travel to the Far NSW North Coast. Lastly, our 1st Grade Waterpolo team finished fourth in the state, in the David Woods Open. Congratulations to Ms Cuneen and her team on this tremendous effort. A special mention to Mitchell Taylor and Joshua Rogers who have been excellent servants to Homebush waterpolo and played their last game for the BUSH in the last 8 tournament.

The Regional and CHS swimming carnivals were held towards the end of Term 1. We had some brilliant individual and team successes. The 12 year old 4 x 50m relay team finished 1st at the Sydney North Regional Swimming Carnival and got a silver medal at the CHS Swimming Carnival. Team: Adam Manna, Hamze Taha, Kennu Challenger, Vrishank Pendyala. Adam Manna was also the Zone Age Champion for the 12 years. The 6x50m relay also represented at CHS and finished 3rd at the Sydney North regional Swimming Carnival. Team: Joshua Rogers, Igor Gainulin, Vincent Nguyen, Liam Murray, Daniel Sun, Adam Manna. I would like to wish Vincent Nguyen good luck in the All School Carnival in early May as he competes in the 50m and 200m breastroke. He has qualified due to his times swam in outside school carnivals.

Angus Armstrong is a highly talented young pole vaulter. Angus has won All School Gold and medals at Australian School Boys level. He recently participated in the Commonwealth Games Qualifying Championships in Melbourne. This is an open age event and Angus has only just turned 17. Angus finished 5th with a jump of 5.05m. What an effort, he could almost clear A Block! Angus is currently ranked equal second in the world for his age group in the pole vault and agonisingly missed out on qualification to the World Youth Championships. Congratulations Angus.

Tim Xin, Matt Cook and Harry Griffin-Colls have been selected to represent Sydney North at the CHS Football Tournament at the end of May. Isaac Noh has also qualified for the regional match-play final. If he finishes in the top four he will be selected to represent Sydney North at the CHS Golf Championships. We wish these boys all the best.

The school cross country carnival was held at the end of term one. The day was well participated with perfect weather and amazing individual achievements. A big thankyou to Mr Sculthopre (carnival coordinator) and all the SLR students who were officials on the day. Congratulations to the following age champions.

**Cross Country:**

12 Years – Vrishank Pendyala
13 Years – Aydin Bremner
14 Years – Cooper Newtown
15 Years – Corey Jnr Sharma Constance
16 Years – Aydin Bremner
17 Years – Michael So
18 Years – Adithya Sriram

For up to date information for sport please click the weekly sports arrangement tab quick link on our schools home page. Here you can access the weekly sports arrangement sheet, the latest results for grade sport and a list of all the sportsperson of the week awards for Grade and House.

Mr S Belgre
Summer Premierships 2014

Junior Oztag ‘A’
Tennessee Aiwekhoe
Mazhur Ayoub
Tarek Bardouh
Hussam Djebbouri
Ahmed Elahmad
Mohammad Gebara
Aamin Issa
Tarek Issa
Benjamin Kain
Abdul Kanj
Adam Lees
Joel Malla
Blake Nielsen
Samuel Powell
Mr B.Wilson (Coach)

2nd Grade Cricket
Thushan Ajithpiyanth
Aryaman Baisyet
Chinmaya Gupta
Cameron Holmes
Ajith Iyappa-Kumar
Daniel Jesuthasan
Momin Khan
Janarthan Kumarakurupa
Bilal Mohammad
Anusan Ravichandran
Tooy Santhirthas
Sugithan Seeverathina
Luckshun Selvarajah
Shashank Srikanth
Ramanan Sritharan
Sivasai Tharmarajah
Mr Doolan (Coach)

2014

1st Grade Cricket
Farhan Ahmed
Joshua Beattie
Lachlan Beattie
Zade Murphy
Dylan Powell
Charles Prentice
Nikethan Radhakrishna
Aabilan Ratneswaran
Sanjit Selvarajoo
Uthikowtham Singarayar
Madhav Sunderram
Ryan Wu
Mr Innasi (Coach)

1st Grade Volleyball
Arjun Abaisingam
Willis Choi
Peraveenan Jeyarasa
Krishnath Maharasa
Libeesan Sukirthan
Hao Yin
Ian Zhou
Mr Pearson (Coach)

2nd Grade Volleyball
Nathan Adams
Naemeka Anosyke
Stanley Chen
Sunny Hamal
Liam Heron
John Lee
Khan Milligan
Ansar Sohail
Timothy Xin
Mr Pearson (Coach)

14’s Tennis
Adam Aaron
Andreas Koulouris
Tej Shah
Sree Sista
Ms Catalano (Coach)

14A Cricket
Farhan Ahmed
Joshua Beattie
Lachlan Beattie
Zade Murphy
Dylan Powell
Charles Prentice
Nikethan Radhakrishna
Aabilan Ratneswaran
Sanjit Selvarajoo
Uthikowtham Singarayar
Madhav Sunderram
Ryan Wu
Mr Innasi (Coach)

1st Grade Waterpolo
Igor Gainulin
Matthew Gu
Jay Houhlias
Arnav Karnik
Freeman Lin
Martin Perkins
Joshua Rogers
Michael So
Mitchell Taylor
Ms Cuneen (Coach)

15’s Volleyball
Hassan Khademi
Seong Gwan Kim
Toee Naing
Chris Nguyen
Raymond Nim
Mertcan Saklak
Yakub Tanrisever
Arun Theagarajan
Ms Kamil (Coach)
The annual school athletics carnival was held on Friday the 9th of May. The day was well participated, with over 800 students in attendance with perfect weather and amazing individual achievements.

There were four records broken on the day. Korhan Sozen broke the 13 years long jump record and David Chen broke three records in the 15 years long jump, triple jump and hurdles. Well done to Korhan and David and to all students from the Hayes House who were eventual winners on the day. Congratulations to the following age champions:

12 Years – Farouke Barake  
14 Years - Benjamin Nguyen  
16 Years – Jeremy Butler  
13 Years – Sorie Musa  
15 Years – David Chen  
17 Years – Libeesan Sukirthan

Isaac Noh is an extremely talented young golfer. He has been involved in the Jack Newton training program and has won several Zone and Regional titles in recent years. On Tuesday the 6th and 7th of May, Isaac competed in the CHS and All School Golf Championships. Isaac won the stroke play tournament in the opens. A fantastic effort considering Isaac is only in year 10. Isaac has now qualified to represent NSW at the Australian School Boys Championships in Queensland later this year. Congratulations Isaac.
There again has been many highlights in the CAPA faculty with student achievements. The Annual Band Camp was again a huge success that showcases the dedicated and talented musical students in our school. Held last term students from Homebush BHS and Strathfield GHS attended a three-day music camp at Naamaroo convention centre at Lane Cove. This was the second time that the band camp had been held with both schools, and students embraced this opportunity to be fully immersed and engaged in fine-tuning their skills and passion in all aspects of music.

Much of the success must go to band camp coordinator Ms Tracy Burjan, and a dedicated team of Music teachers and parent musicians. The camp concluded on Friday afternoon with an hour-long concert that was met with rapturous applause from the audience of parents and friends of these very talented and passionate students who worked incredibly hard but also had enjoyed every minute of this amazing experience.

This term has also seen four students from Visual Arts having their artwork selected for the annual Operation Art exhibition for Westmead Children's Hospital, which is held at the Armoury Art Gallery. This year we selected the artworks from Yr 7 and Yr 8 students for the exhibition. Our school has been very successful in recent years in having student work selected for the permanent collection at the hospital and even being selected for display at the Art Gallery of NSW. There was also success for five of our Yr11 students that were selected for the HSC workshop program that is run during the July term break. The students will be tutored by university lecturers in a variety drawing, painting, sculpture and printmaking.

Later in this term we also be holding our mid year CAPA night in the hall with displays of artworks from Yr7-11 and performances from students in Yr 9 and 10.

Mr. Kim Attwood
Head Teacher CAPA
Student artworks
Chess Club Report

Our chess club has been representing Homebush Boys High School, in the Inter School Chess tournaments metropolitan east chess competition every Friday. The opportunity to socialise with students from other schools while challenging their groups of pure chess talent is indeed something to prominently take pride in. This year we have put together four strong teams that represent the twenty chess geniuses from our school.

Under the supervision of Mr Sivasothy and the Mathematics staff the chess club has been meeting up in room 52 three days of a week. The chess club is not only a meeting place to tailor your chess skills but also to have a blast at lunchtime. Chess rules!

Members of the chess teams:

Arjunasingam Abayasingam Paul Kim William Nguyen Dominic Mak
Peraveenan Jeyarasa Puneeth Kambhampati Jie chen Madhav Sunderram
Ricky Huang Jonathan Wong See Adam Manna Anthony He
Mohammad Zayan ul Laque Michael Lu Scott Miller James Fu
Ahmed Parappil Oliver Sarker Ahmed Parappil Keerti Malladi

Written by, Puneeth Kambhampati
Last term Drum Beat performed for all of our Yr8 students in the old gym. Tony and Mark performed for an hour demonstrating a variety of musical percussion instruments from different regions of the world. At the end of the performance they invited a group of Yr8 students onto the stage to perform with them.

Tony and Mark have been performing the Drum Beat program at Homebush Boys for over 10 years and they said that they enjoyed coming to such a good school where the students are well behaved and enthusiastically join in with their performance.
Volunteering and Breakfast Club News

Many of you would have noticed that the usual energy surrounding Premier’s Volunteering is missing this year. Despite Ms Anton efforts to recruit new volunteers from year 9 and year 10 cohorts, we have few students attending regular meetings on Tuesdays in Careers Office to discuss the week’s progress and future projects.

Unfortunately, this poor response is having a severe effect on the running of the extremely popular Breakfast Club. We have a lot of students coming through room 66 every Thursday for a really great breakfast but we don’t have enough volunteers to man them. So much so, that we had to cancel Breakfast Club on the last week of the term. I sincerely hope the boys are more involved from now on.

On a positive note, I am aware that some boys are involved in a lot of volunteering activities out of school but they have not logged in their hours. If you are one of these fantastic boys, remember to provide me with proof of any wonderful work before or immediately after you log on your hours. Please include the contact details from your supervisor (coach, mentor, supervisor etc.)

On another positive note, we are very obliged to Mr John Symond, founder of Aussie Home Loans (and proudly an ex Homebush student) who has generously supported All Boys Public Speaking for more than ten years, has generously donated $4000 towards our Breakfast Club! Without generous support from the community, it would be very hard to function. I would like to personally thank all our supporters.

Ms Saha

Bushy Boys participate in the 24 hour Mega Swim

This weekend, the Bushy Boys team will be participating in the 24 hour Mega Swim at Sydney Olympic park. We are aiming to raise as much money for research and care for those experiencing Multiple Sclerosis (MS) as we can and will be working as a team to swim continuously for 24 hours.

This won’t go close to the pain and immobilisation that those experiencing MS can deal with each day, but it will be a challenge. Vincent Nguyen of year 10 is the team captain and we are trying to recruit more.
Mr Peter Smith with the newly elected Interact Club Executive

Our students help to support International Women’s Day
Mr Pearson with Libee Sukirthan, Willis Choi, Peraveenan Jeyarasa and Hao Yin who were selected in the Sydney North Regional Volley Ball team at the CHS Volley Ball championships

Our interschool chess competition team Chen Jie, Adam Manna, Scott Miller, Madhav Sunderram, and Puneeth Kambhampati with their certificates
Yr 8 & 9 Visual Art Excursion to Cockatoo Island

This term has started creatively with engaging excursion to see and produce and artworks. They have included Yr 8 going to Cockatoo Island to inspire their works based on the Industrial Landscape, a program written specifically for year 8 in 2014. From their drawings and photos, students will produce a Body of Work including photo shopped images and mixed media drawings based on the shapes, colours and scenes of Cockatoo Island.

Year 9 extended their art focus through an excursion to view HSC artworks at Art express and also look at unusual and challenging contemporary artworks of the 19th Biennale of Sydney at the Art gallery of NSW and Museum of Contemporary Art.

Both groups were to be commended for their exceptional behaviour and their outstanding manner in which they represented the school whilst in public.

Linda Adams
Yr 9 Commerce Luna Park Excursion

On Monday 5th of May 2014, Year 9 Commerce attended the annual Luna Park excursion. The purpose of the excursion was to view how a business operates in relation to the unit of study on Promoting and Selling (Marketing).

Since Luna Park is a fun park, it provides a service to the public and basically we had lots of fun! The two classes enjoyed their day out in the sun, observing the business strategies employed by Luna Park Sydney to attract customers, like us and the many other groups of people who were visiting on the day. The beauty of the whole experience was that while we were applying the theory we had learnt in class, we were also having a great time on the many rides, including the dodgem cars at Dodgem City and the Moon Ranger, to name just a few.

Mrs Legge and Ms Kench supervised the ‘rowdy crowd’ (9 COM A & 9 COM B) as the students took photos, made notes and completed the workbook. All of this work was to assist us with our group-based assessment task involving the creation of a T.V. Commercial to promote Luna Park in the summer of 2014-15.

Overall, Year 9 Commerce experienced a wonderful day outdoors – an outdoor classroom at a fun park! What more could we ask for? We caught the train and arrived back at Strathfield Station exhausted but very satisfied. After all, we’d all agreed that it was probably one of the best excursions we’d ever attended.

Peter Koungoulos and Amaan Ansari

A serious excursion to a fun place!!!
Staff and students enjoyed a great day at the Athletics Carnival.