

Term 2 Week 9

29 June 2018

The Salvation Army Winter Food Drive

By donating non-perishable food you are helping people in need at this very cold time of year.

Thank you to those who have already contributed.

See the flyer in the newsletter for details.



Deputy Principal Matters by Nathalie Bodley



Inquisitive Minds Excursion

Last week 13 students from Year 8 attended a maths problem-solving day aimed at mathematically gifted and talented students. The students worked in pairs. Congratulations to the team of Rory M and Bradley Y who won the main competition out of 60 teams from eight different schools. They successfully solved every problem within the allotted time! Congratulations also to Zoe T whose team came third and to Ethan R and Lachlan H who were highly commended. After lunch, each St Ives student was paired with a student from another school. Congratulations to Rory M whose team came first and to Zoe T whose team came second. The winners received family sized blocks of chocolate!



Parent Teacher Night Years 7 and 9 - Tuesday, 3 July

Next Tuesday from 3.30 until 7.30 pm, Parent Teacher meetings will be held in the hall for all students. Bookings can through the parent portal on Sentral. Please take the following steps when making your bookings:

- Go to Parent Portal. *Note* - Parent Portal can be accessed via our school website on our homepage under 'Student & Parent Links'
- After login, choose Portal Version 2 in the top right corner of the browser
- Click on 'interviews'
- Make your bookings.

If you are having difficulty accessing the parent portal, please contact the school by email on stives-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au and one of our technical support staff will be in contact.

Year 10 Student Subject coaching



Many teachers have volunteered their time to coach Year 10 students in making a more informed choice in their Year 11 courses for 2019. All students were scheduled to discuss their pattern of study, consider alternative courses and assess their suitability to particular subjects based on ability and skill level. Students must continue to apply themselves diligently in Semester 2 of Year 10 to increase their opportunity to access some courses, especially in Advanced Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry as these require prerequisites. It is vital that next term, at the end of week 1, students complete their final subject selection in priority order. Please have a conversation with your child before they make their final choices next term. You can access detailed information about each course offered from the subject selection booklet online on the school website under 'School Years'.

Year 11 High Achievers



On Friday we held our Year 11 High Achievers' Morning Tea for students who are consistently applying themselves and achieving results.

The students included—

Kian T, Lily C, Megan D, Lauren N, Meru S, Catherine N, Hilary R, Rojina P, Rose C, Alana C, Morne K, Anthony S, Mitchell R, Sophie A, Kate F, Daniel P, Isobel N, Amin H, Minh T, Aidan O'S. This is an opportunity for these students to be reminded that their efforts are not unnoticed.

Thanks to Mrs Gettens for organising the morning tea.

Engadine Bandfest

On Monday 25 June, the Concert Band, Jazz Combo and String ensemble performed for the first time at the Engadine Bandfest along with many other schools. The performances were awarded 2 gold and 1 silver. Special mentions were made for Abbey CJ, Zoe T and Jeyanth G for their contributions. This eisteddfod gave students an opportunity to receive verbal and written feedback in order to improve for future performances. Thank you to Mrs Sally Cooper and Mrs Genevieve Andresson for their directorship of the Jazz Combo and String Ensemble and to Ms Kimberley Lovell for directing Concert band and organising the event.

Year 11 Vaccination - Wednesday July 25

Vaccinations offered at this clinic will be: Meningococcal ACWY to Year 11 students. Meningococcal ACWY catch up for Year 10 students. We are keen to work with you to raise our school's 2018 uptake rate of 45% of Year 10 students. Ms McGurgan will be handing out vaccination cards on Monday morning.

Year 9 'Time & Place' Art Exhibition

From 25 June to 6 July you can view oil paintings by the Year 9 students in our Art Masterclass Enrichment course. On Monday afternoon we met at the ramp at St Ives Village shops where the works were hung, and the prize winners were announced. Judging the works would have been a difficult task, but two members of the Ku-ring-gai Art Society were happy to oblige. They chose Emily D's work for 1st prize for its evocative colour, and Highly Commended was Kirsty F's lovely touch of autumn, chosen for its composition, leading your eye into the image. Commended for excellent technique were Mai M and Kathy K, while Caitlin S was also mentioned as having a sophisticated approach to composition, colour and technique. All the students can be very proud of their efforts! Thanks to Mrs Gettens for coordinating the exhibition.

Best wishes
Nathalie Bodley
Deputy Principal



THIS WEEK IN YEAR 7 TECHNOLOGY WOODWORK PROJECTS

This week in Year 7 Technology Mandatory (woodwork), the students have been constructing the bases and lids, with some moving ahead and working on their decorations for their projects. Students are excited about the prospect of completing their projects in the final lessons. Leo C said of his progress *"I'm almost done, it's been fun making this project. I just need to finish drawing on the sides to finish my design."* Over the next week, the students will add on their final touches to their projects. They will have many options to choose from and include: lacquering, wood burning, adding additional wood cut pieces, creating finger holes or painting. Ocean W said *"I will be painting my project in the memory of one of my favourite artists; it will be black, white and red."*

Adrian Zaboklicki
HSIE and PDHPE Teacher



MOCK TRIAL

The Mock Team are versing SCEGGS Redlands now on July 25th. The results were released from the Round Robin and St Ives were placed 36th out of 162 in the State. This is a fabulous achievement for these hard working students who give up so much of their free time to compete in this contest, which is always held after school. Should you wish to come and support them on the 25th, we will be at Redlands at Cremorne at 4.30pm onwards.

Gillian McGhee
Economics Teacher
Mock Trial Coordinator

YEAR 11 DEBATING - QUARTER FINALISTS



2018 has been a fantastic year for Year 11 Debating at St Ives High School. After successful debates against Turrumurra High School and Manly Selective High School, our Year 11 team was crowned Zone 2 winners and progressed through to the Quarter Finals against Normanhurst Boys' High School. The team travelled to Normanhurst Boys' on Thursday 21 June to compete in the Quarter Final debate. The chosen topic by both teams was "That drinking should be banned in public spaces, like sports games and festivals". In a hard debate to argue in the affirmative, the coin toss saw St Ives arguing for the topic. In a close and at times fiery debate, Normanhurst Boys were the successful team and now move on to the closing rounds of the Premier's Debating Challenge for Years 11 and 12. The whole school community is thrilled with the progress our Year 11 team has made this year. All teams from Turrumurra, Manly Selective, and Normanhurst were Year 12 teams and our Year 11 students met their experience with wisdom, maturity, and stamina!

Daniel Moller
English Teacher, Learning Support Coordinator
Junior and Senior Debating Coordinator

KNITTING GROUP RESTARTING IN THE LIBRARY

Seven years ago a group of students met weekly in the Library to learn to knit and to make squares for blankets...many squares were knitted but very few became blankets. However, all the knitted squares were kept safely... AND now we are restarting with an enthusiastic new group of students who want to sew the available squares into blankets and to knit more squares!! The first few blankets will be given to Hospitality who have after school classes in the outside classroom and who get very cold in the winter. The rest will go to the original purpose of the group - to make blankets for the *Wrap with Love* organisation. These blankets will then be distributed by worldwide charity organisations to disaster areas and refugee camps.

The school is funding us to get started again but we would be very grateful for donations of size 8 / 4mm knitting needles and crochet hooks and any scraps of yarn - preferably acrylic but we will also take wool for an extra surprise project in the spring.

Natalie Romanov
Teacher/Librarian



YEAR 9 CREATIVE WRITING BOOK LAUNCH

What a wonderful experience for our students! On Wednesday morning our parents, grandparents, teachers, students and of course our authors gathered for morning tea in the hall and to receive the first print run of 'So we can write...and we wrote a book'. The book itself is a collection of the 25 students' short stories, poems, letters and thoughts which have been developed throughout semester one. Our authors were asked by the guests to autograph their pieces. Mrs Gettens' Year 9 class joined us and we were able to read one of the poems. Book orders for more copies were taken and our second print run is underway. Congratulations to these Year 9 students and thank you to the school community for your support. We look forward to seeing more of our authors' work in the school's ejournal.

Dedicated to Honey, who brings joy to the lives of all those she wags her tail at.

Cake by Nina K

The endless monotony of the
Education system broken by
A single bright speck-
A huge piece of cake
Brought by a friend,
Eaten by many and with gusto;
A point of elation
In an otherwise boring day.

On the next day comes
Hopeful glances
Toward the former cake bearer,
Who carries on,
Unbeknownst to
Coming weeks of expectation that await her.



Dedicated to Stephen Hawking, who now rests in peace.

The Unknown Universe by Junseo L

Has anyone seen, has anyone explored,
The unknown universe, garnished with astonishment.
The black holes, the wormholes,
That no-one has ever sensed,
Waiting to be unveiled to mankind,
To be addressed in texts of mysteries.

No spaceships or astronomers has ever fully revealed
The secrets of the vast, unlimited space.
No geniuses or super-computers has ever fully understood
The true laws of the infinite universe.

Many theories have failed to prove
Many models have failed to explain
The truth behind everything,
The truth of the universe.

Let us explore this conundrum
Let us see the mysteries that are deeply hidden
Let us prove the theories wrong
Let us *Explore the Unknown*.

Peta Regan
Year 8 Year Adviser
EAL/D Teacher and
Writing Centre Coordinator



What were you doing on Sunday afternoon?

I ran into Mrs Gettens who was up at St Ives Shopping Village with her husband. They were hanging a selection of fabulous work by our students.

Being a teacher is more a life choice than a job.

Megan Shave on behalf of the silent majority . . .



BUSHCARE REGENERATION

*Come and join us for Bushcare Regeneration
on Sunday 1st July 9am till 12 noon*

You may not be aware but we are lucky enough to have a remnant Sydney Turpentine Ironbark Forest which is listed as an Endangered Ecological Community in our school grounds.

We will be helping regenerate this area by removing weeds to allow the native species to thrive. A Bushcare Regenerator from Council will be teaching and supervising us and will provide the tools.

You just need to wear long sleeves and trousers, hardy shoes and have a hat / sunscreen and bring your own gardening gloves and water bottle. Morning tea will be provided. Duke of Edinburgh students most welcome.

Even if it's only for 1 hour your help will be appreciated.

Please contact Meredith at grad2020@stivespandc.com so I know numbers.

Attachment to newsletter:

- **Entertainment Book 2018/2019 ... buy now and receive a \$10 Woolworths Wish eGift Card. Offer closes 30 June 2018.**

MULTICULTURAL DAY POSTER COMPETITION WINNERS

Equal First Congratulations to Year 7 students - Hazuki O and Sophia C



CAREERS UPDATE



APPLYING FOR UNIVERSITY TIMELINE FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS

June 30 - Western Sydney careers expo 10am-3pm Olympic Park. Mr Holmes has 20 free tickets to give away.

July 2 - For year 11 and 12-NS5 Careers Expo from 5-8 pm at Killara HS including UAC talk on applying for university
- UAC guide issued
- UAC PIN emailed

August 1 - UAC, School Recommendation Schemes (SRS) and Educational Access Schemes (disadvantage) (EAS) applications open.

September 28 - University applications and SRS close.

October - HSC exams.

November 15 - SRS early offer round 1.

November 29 - SRS early offer round 2.

December 6 - SRS early offer round 3.

December 13 - HSC results released.

December 14 - ATARs released and Year 12 pizza lunch at school.

December 20 - Uni offer round.

January 11 - Uni offer round.

For more information on any of these or other careers matters visit the Careers Adviser or email Mr Holmes at neil.holmes@det.nsw.edu.au or call the school on 9144 1689 ext 116.

Visit my free careers website at <http://www.careeradvicensw.com> to view career videos, take career tests, view subject selection resources, links to all universities on bonus points, scholarships, elite athletes schemes, alternate entry to university, the job market, SRS and more.



FOOD DRIVE

St Ives High School
on behalf of the Salvation Army, Hornsby



The Salvation Army at Hornsby **urgently** needs to re-stock their pantry for winter.

You can help by donating any of the following items:

- ☺ Breakfast cereals: Rolled Oats, Weetbix, Corn Flakes
- ☺ Pasta, pasta sauce, rice, 2 Minute Noodles
- ☺ Tinned goods eg, soups, meals in a can, fruit, tuna, vegetables, lentils
- ☺ Lunch box supplies such as Vegemite, sandwich spreads and foiled cheese.
- ☺ Tea, coffee, juices
- ☺ Milk (Long Life)
- ☺ Sugar
- ☺ Laundry/bathroom supplies - toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, toilet paper, washing powder/liquid



Donations of new socks are also needed for both men and women.



Donations can be left at the school office until Friday, 6 July 2018

2018/19 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK



For a very limited time, when you purchase an Entertainment Membership from us online, you'll receive a **BONUS \$10 Woolworths WISH eGift Card!**

Hurry ... stocks are limited!
Offer expires **Saturday 30 June 2018**
Enter promo code **'GIFTWISH'** at checkout.

Tell your friends about the savings at Woolworths, David Jones, Priceline etc and support your school

If every family at our school either bought or persuaded a relative, friend or workmate to buy an **Entertainment Book**, our school would receive **over \$10,000**.

Many people are still unaware that they can save 5% on all their shopping at the Woolworths Group throughout the year, with no cap - see below. Eg if you spend \$100 a week, you will save \$260 a year.

Please tell them, then contact communications@stivespandc.com for an informative e-mail to send & distribute (click link below for geographic editions around Australia)

To buy, you can either order online (below) or pay cash/Visa/MasterCard at the School Office which has books in stock

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20% of the membership/book price goes to St Ives High School via the P&C

Here are just a few of the many offers to enjoy with an Entertainment Membership:

The average family saves about \$1500 according to Heidi Halson, Executive Director, Entertainment Publications (see *Money Magazine Australia*, April 2018). As well as all the listed cafes, restaurants, shops, stores, cinemas, entertainment centres, travel and accommodation etc, **you can save 5% throughout the year on all your Woolworths shopping (incl. BIG W, other Woolworths Group outlets, + Caltex petrol - selected outlets)** by purchasing Woolworths e WISH GIFT Cards online through the Entertainment Book. Also 10% discount on gift cards at **David Jones, Priceline, Country Road*, Rebel and BCF**, as well as 5% discount at **JB Hi-Fi***.
(*capped at \$5,000, others at \$10,000, Woolworths uncapped)
Remember the cards have their full face value, you buy them at a discount, so they can be used in conjunction with any other discount.

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