

Term 3 Week 5

24 August 2018

Principal Matters by Mark Watson



Junten High School Visit

On Wednesday this week we welcomed students and teachers from Junten High School, our Japanese sister school in Tokyo. The visit marked 25 years of exchanges between our two schools. The day began with an official welcome that included speeches, exchanging of gifts and performances by students from both schools. A highlight of the welcome ceremony was the speech given by Alana Campbell (Year 11). Her delivery in Japanese impressed our guests. One reason Alana's delivery was so perfect was that she spent six months on exchange at Junten High School last year. The students from Junten were then buddied up with St Ives students and together they attended an English language lesson. In the final session of the day, students took part in bush dancing and played games with traditional Japanese toys. Our hospitality students prepared all of the food for the visit, which included morning tea and lunch. This also impressed the teachers from Junten. The tour group was joined by a representative from the Tokyo Board of Education and a representative from the NSW Department of Education's International Students' Centre. Thanks go to Mrs Patel for organising a successful exchange visit.



Year 12 Graduation Tickets

Tickets for the Year 12 Graduation are now available. As has been the case in previous years, the ticketing is managed by the P&C. All Year 12 parents should have received an email for the 1st Round of Tickets with three tickets - one free ticket for their Year 12 child and two additional family tickets that need to be purchased. A 2nd Round of Tickets for additional family seats will become available after the first round offers have been processed. For detailed information about the ticketing process, see the article from the P&C about this in this newsletter.

Year 11 Construction students

Our Year 11 Construction students were busy this week repairing the main pedestrian walkway to the Hall. A trench was dug across the path during the installation of air conditioning in the Hall and a trip hazard had developed as a result of this. The Construction course is a Vocational Education and Training course and the students who study this course obtain practical skills, which will benefit them if they choose a career in this field. Thanks go to the students for improving the school grounds and to their teacher, Mr Oh.



Year 7 Parent Survey

Our Year 7 parent survey is currently open. This survey is conducted for the school by the P&C. We have run the survey for a number of years and we now have data that allows us to measure our performance over time. We currently have 80 responses, and while this is a good number, it is less than 50% of potential respondents. We would normally expect to have at least 50% of Year 7 families respond. We encourage any parents who have not completed the survey to do so.

Band News

Students in the band program have been very busy over the past week. On Sunday, members of the concert band performed at the Pittwater RSL Club. Their performance was amazing. The students sounded fantastic and Ms Lovell had lovely feedback! Following the concert, on Monday and Tuesday, students involved in the band program attended a band camp. Students had tutorials with Victoria Felsman, Nicky Abkiewicz, Josh Hill and a master class with Dave Bell and Andrew McWade in preparation for NSSWE spring festival performance for Jazz Combo and NSW State Contest for Concert Bands at Penrith this Sunday. This Sunday's performance will be live streamed and can be viewed at <https://www.brassbanned.com/> A big thank you to our staff involved - Ms Lovell, Mrs Cooper, Mrs Terrey, Mrs Patel and Mr Moller. Special thanks to Ms Lovell for her work with the band program.

Movie Night

Last term, the Student Representative Council (SRC) planned a movie night that was washed out by the last significant rain we had in Sydney. The night was rescheduled for Thursday this week. While it was overcast during the day the rain held off and the night went ahead. The screen was set up on the bottom oval with the audience sitting on the bank of the top oval. It was a cold night but more than a hundred students braved the cold. There was plenty of wood-fired pizza to warm everyone up. We all enjoyed the movie *Cars 3*, and luckily, you did not have to have seen the first two movies in the series to follow the story. Thanks to the SRC for running the night and to Ms McGurgan for her support of the SRC.

Daffodil Day

The SRC were again busy on Friday running Daffodil Day to raise money for the Cancer Council. Students came in Mufti wearing a yellow theme. Daffodils were on sale as well as cup cakes during the day. The day was also significant for the Year 12 members of the SRC as this was their last significant event as members of the SRC. Thanks to the SRC for organising the day for a good cause, and special thanks to the Year 12 members for their involvement this year.



New student leader process

The process is currently underway to select our new student leaders from Year 11 to replace our outgoing Year 12 student leaders. The selection process is a three-stage affair. Students who want to run for the positions of school captain, vice-captain and SRC representatives, submit a written application to a teacher panel. The panel selects students for interview and those who are successful at interview make a presentation to their year group and staff before voting takes place. This week, student interviews were held and next week the candidates will give their speeches to the student body. Nominations for Junior School leaders are now underway. A timeline and a nomination form are attached to this newsletter.

Cultures of Thinking

On Thursday this week we hosted two professional learning events that focused on "*Cultures of Thinking*". Teachers from neighbouring schools joined with our staff to work with the facilitator, Simon Brooks. The first activity was a day long workshop that introduced teachers to approaches they can use in the classroom to encourage, foster and support student thinking in the classroom. The second activity, a "*Puzzle Meet*", was held after school again with participants from our school and neighbouring schools. We divided into three groups of roughly 10 people. Two people in each group presented a problem of practice. After a problem was presented, the rest of the group suggested solutions following a very strict set of rules. Thanks go to Ms Mercer for organising both of these events.

Y11 Mental Health

The Year 11 mental health program concluded this week. Thanks to Ms Nunura for organising this entire event. Year 11 students were placed in smaller groups to attend each session. These sessions count towards the compulsory school *Crossroads* program.

Congratulations

This week, congratulations to

- Our Year 7 and Year 8 debaters, who had wins last week. See the report elsewhere in this newsletter.
- All of the Year 9 students who received awards at the Year 9 assembly this week. Again see the report in this newsletter.
- James C (Year 8) who is off to the State Athletics carnival in the 1500m track event.
- Kaif H (Year 8) and Bohua H (Year 7) for their outstanding performance in the Australasian Problem Solving Maths Olympiad.
- All the Year 8 students who received an ice-cream this week for their personal best tracking performance last term.



Gong Ride

On a personal note, I have again signed up for the Gong ride, which is a bicycle ride from Sydney to Wollongong to raise money for Multiple Sclerosis. I am riding with the Novartis Neuroscience team. If you would like to sponsor me, you can do so by going to the link below.

<https://www.msgongride.org.au/index.cfm?fuseaction=donorDrive.participant&participantID=33165>

Have a great weekend,

Mark Watson
Principal

YEAR 7 AND YEAR 8 DEBATING NEWS - TWO WINS IN ONE WEEK

On Friday 17 August our Year 7 and 8 Debating teams competed against Asquith Girls' HS in the second and third rounds of the Premier's Debating Challenge. Our St Ives A team were successful in their debate and argued against the proposal that *'The Government should impose a curfew on all teenagers'*.

Our St Ives A team will now await the outcome of the St Ives B debate against Chatswood High School on Thursday, 30 August, with the likely outcome being a knock-out 'decider' between our two St Ives teams, with the winning team being crowned Zone 1 Champions and progressing through to the Quarter Finals.

Our Year 7 and 8 debating students meet each Thursday during their lunchtime and engage in sophisticated conversations with their coaches Mr Moller and Ms Abraham. They should be congratulated for their hard work and dedication to debating. Best of luck in your upcoming debates!

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



MATHS COMPETITIONS NEWS

Congratulations to the Year 9 students who received their CAT (Computational and Algorithmic Thinking) certificates in a year 9 assembly this week. Well done to Nina K (a perfect score and High Distinction), Will G (HD), Jessie B (Distinction), Annabelle B (Credit), Pip R (Credit), Luke B (Credit), Daniel B (Credit) and Mai M (Credit).

Also, congratulations to Kaif H (Year 8) and Bohua H (Year 7) who both achieved a perfect score in Round 4 of the APSMO (Australasian Problem Solving Maths Olympiad) last week. Fantastic result!!!!

Sue Berger
Maths Teacher
Competitions Coordinator



2018 ICAS DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES COMPETITION

This year a group of students from Years 7-10 participated in the ICAS Digital Technologies competition. Well done to all participants for their effort in the competition.

High Distinction: Y7 Mia S; Y8 Matthew J
Distinction: Y7 Aden Z, Noah C, Sydney L; Y9 Luke B
Credit: Y7 Kegan H, William S, Marlon K, Oscar B, Evan D, Zack R, Andrew C, Bohua H; Y8 Vishwa D, Ashley W; Y9 William G, Nina K, Pip R, Annabelle B, Mai M; Y10 Abigail B, Blake C, Lauren C, Gavin R
Merit: Y7 Nathan C, David McA; Y8 Larry L, Oliver L, Bradley; Y9 Zoe B, Matthew V, Daniel B
Participation: Y7 Navya A, Isabel O, Tabitha W, Amelia B, Evan C, Elijah L, Adam L; Y8 Emily D, Sam P, Rudranil D, Kaiden P

Ben Yuen
TAS Teacher
ICAS Competition Coordinator



YEAR 9 EXCURSION 'SMASHED'

Last Tuesday our Year 9 students attended *'SMASHED'* an Alcohol Awareness theatre incursion run by *'Gibber'* productions. This hard-hitting interactive multi-media performance involved the experience of three credible teenage characters who explore the dangers and consequences that alcohol can have on a young person's life. The characters' relationships, health, safety and career aspirations were all put in jeopardy by the decisions they make as a result of peer pressure to engage in underage drinking. The students interacted with the characters and were challenged by the facilitators to offer advice and encouraged them to discover realistic ways to deal with peer pressure. The aim was to empower students to behave responsibly and make healthy life choices.

Michael Kettels
Head Teacher PDHPE



YEAR 9 SKI CAMP



Last week 123 Year 9 students and 10 teachers had a fabulous trip to Canberra and Perisher for a combined trip of Australian education and skiing. On our first day we visited Parliament House (where we saw the Prime Minister, Leader of the Opposition and all the Senators), the Australian War Memorial for a guided tour, the High Court and Old Parliament House. This gave students the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion and has already been deducted from the final price (\$550) for the camp.

After wrapping up our tour of the Nation's Capital, we made our way down to Berridale and prepared ourselves for the snow. Although we had early starts and big days, the group was always in high spirits and all students were keen for two days in the snow. Mr Champion noted that this was the best snow he has seen at Smiggins! Students engaged in morning lessons over the two days, they then went out to practice their skills. Advanced students skied over to Perisher with experienced teachers and many stated that it was a challenging experience but quite fun. In between skiing there was also a big snowball fight. Overall, it was a fabulous time and created great memories for students and teachers. Thank you to the teachers who attended and the students for their good behaviour.

Sandra Khalili
HSIE Teacher
Year 9 Adviser



YEAR 9 WELLBEING CLASS

This week the Year 9 Wellbeing Class made their first visit to the Aged Care Home in Killara. The students were fabulous, chatting away to the residents, sharing stories. The visit ended with a sing-a-long. Accompanied on the piano by one of the residents and Jasmine Yuan Year 9.

Tania McGurgan
Transition Coordinator
Visual Arts Teacher



YEARS 9 AND 10 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LEGACY BADGE DAY



Sydney Legacy is an organisation that provides welfare support to War Widows enrolled with Legacy and their dependants. It receives limited Government and private money and relies mainly on the public to pay for its welfare support.

Volunteers such as school students are sought to sell Legacy badges, pens, wrist bands and Legacy Bear soft figures to raise the money this year during Badge Week from 1 to 7 September 2018.

Sydney Legacy therefore requests 18 St Ives High students (Years 9 -10) to sell Legacy products on Badge Day, Friday 7 September, concurrently at St Ives Village, Lindfield Centre and Gordon Arcade. On-location guidance and supervision will be provided by adult Legacy volunteers.

Students in school uniform are to meet at the Yarrabung Road bus-stop for a 9.00am departure and return to School by private bus at approximately 3.00pm.

Permission notes are available from the school office. Please bring your Sydney Legacy "Permission Note" signed by your Parents or Guardian to the bus stop. If not, you will have to attend school.

Parents: Would you like to be 'part of the art' at St Ives High School?

During the week of our
2018 Visual Arts Exhibition
we would like to invite you to a
drawing class,
using charcoal and pastels
to create a still life on
Wednesday 5th September
from 4.30 to 6 pm cost of \$15
in the school auditorium.
Afternoon tea will be included
LIMITED to 10 PLACES
Please email your interest to patri-cia.gettens@det.nsw.edu.au



ST IVES HIGH SCHOOL 2018 MUSIC SOIREE



An evening of musical performances to showcase student talent from years 7 to 12
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 29th from 7 pm
Family ticket \$20, adult \$10 student \$5



Expression of Interest from Host Families

Visiting students from Indonesia 15/16 yrs
will be attending St Ives High School and
keen to stay with friendly kind
families with children to experience
our Australian lifestyle

Arrive 14 - 24 October 2018

We are keen to hear from families asap. For details contact
Jennifer M: 0418 630 414 E: admin@campus.com.au

Remuneration paid for your hospitality



**Study Abroad
Campus Education (CEA)**

Calling all Year 11 and 10 Parents and Care Givers To help at the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony



A long standing tradition at St Ives High School sees year 11 families helping the school make the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony a fabulous event.

This year, it will be held on **Wednesday 26 September**, which is the last week of this term. Next year, all of us Year 11 families will be on the receiving end of this generosity and support with our children.

An online roster has been created where families can elect which activities they can help with; from decorating the hall and COLA, to packing away at the end of the evening. With lots of participation, this is **Just One Thing** that will benefit many.

We are asking the Year 10 care givers to join us this year, and to taste the love and care that goes into these arrangements. It won't be long before you will be a Year 11 care giver.

Please review the online roster and sign up now: <http://signup.com/go/qnGFqk>

All enquiries regarding sign ups and/or this event please contact Year 11 Coordinators Nilu & Libby at
grad2019@stivespandc.com

CAREERS UPDATE



MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY CATCHMENT ADJUSTMENT FACTORS

You may now be eligible for five additional adjustment factors through Macquarie's new Catchment Adjustment Factor Scheme. Students who qualify will automatically receive five adjustment factors when they have an eligible Macquarie course listed as one of their preferences in UAC. Type your postcode into this site to see if you are eligible.

<https://www.mq.edu.au/study/admissions/entry-requirements/domestic/macquarie-entry/adjustment-factors/catchment-adjustment-factors>

APPLYING FOR UNIVERSITY TIMELINE

Before applying for university watch the 5 minute UAC video on how to apply at:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7OQLP5nVGYA&feature=youtu.be>

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 - December Round 2 offers.

January 11 - January Round 1 offers.

University Open Days

Macquarie University 18 August

Western Sydney University 19 August

University of Newcastle-Callaghan campus 25 August

University of Sydney 25 August

UTS 25 August

UNSW 1 September

ACU North Sydney 1 September

TAFE 2019

Year 10 and 11 students who wish to apply for a TAFE course for 2019 as part of subject selection can see Mr Holmes from Monday 13 August to be entered onto the system. You will need to fill in an application form as well which can be collected from the Careers office.

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.




BOOTCAMP



Reminder that Bootcamp is held on Friday mornings at 7.00 am and is open to students, staff and parents.

Please wear appropriate footwear and bring a bottle of water.
Brekkie Club serves breakfast at 8.00 am.



Year 12 Graduation Ceremony

1st Round of Tickets

The Graduation Ceremony is a formal event held to celebrate the Year 12 students completing their high school education. It recognises their achievements and allows them to share this special occasion with their family, friends and teachers. For more than 20 years this event has been held at the school and is coordinated by the school, the P&C and Year 11 parents.

This event is a 'ticketed event' as the Hall only has a seating capacity of 550.

The 1st Round of Tickets have been emailed to all Year 12 parents via Eventbrite (our online ticket providers). ***If you haven't received an email to purchase your Year 12 Graduation tickets please check your junk/spam folder and if there is nothing in that folder then contact us via the email address below.***

- Year 12 students are free of charge however their tickets ***must*** be ordered via the Eventbrite site
- Year 12 families can purchase 2 tickets in the 1st Round of Ticketing
- Additional tickets will be released in the 2nd Round of Ticketing

The 1st Round of Ticketing will close in Week 8 so if your Year 12 student is attending and you require 1 or 2 guest tickets then please purchase them **NOW**.

The Graduation Ceremony is on Wednesday 26th September:

6.15-7.15pm: Canapé's and Refreshments under the COLA

7.30-9.00pm: Graduation Ceremony in School Hall

9.00-10.00pm: Graduation Cake and Coffee/Tea under the COLA

This is a formal school event and Year 12 students are required to wear full senior winter uniform. This event may not be suitable for toddlers/preschoolers and we ask parents to consider making alternative arrangements for their care.

If you have any questions regarding ticketing please email the P&C Year 11 Coordinators – Nilu and Libby at events@stivespandc.com

St Ives High School P&C

ELECTION PROCESS FOR 2019 JUNIOR SCHOOL

TIMELINE	
WHAT	WHEN
Nominations for SRC Representatives	Forms submitted to Front Office Week 7, Monday 3 September by 3.15pm
Interviews with Senior School Leaders Speeches to year groups Voting by Year groups	Week 7 Tuesday 4 September to Friday 7 September
Speeches to year groups Voting by Year groups	Week 8
Announcement of SRC Leadership Positions	Week 9 Wednesday 19 September
Nominations, Speeches & voting for Hearing & International SRC Representatives.	In Unit / Roll Call groups Week 8

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP ROLES

Junior Leadership roles include:

SRC representatives; one male and one female from Years 8 to 11.

International Students SRC; two students from years 10 to 11.

Hearing Unit Students representative for SRC ; one student from years 8 to 11.

Sports Captains: one male and one female representative from each House

ROLE STATEMENTS

(i) SRC

Together as a unit the SRC work together to be the voice of the students within the school. In addition, their role is to organise, lead and fund any charity or school events throughout the year.

Responsibilities include

- Communicate with student body, teachers and community
- Attend weekly and any additional SRC meetings.
- Be proactive in organising and working as a team to common goals.
- Present at assemblies
- To encourage student involvement in school activities and events
- To become involved in planning and implementing any initiatives that may lead to the improvement of the school

(ii) INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS SRC and HEARING UNIT SRC

The International Student SRC representatives and Hearing Unit representative work together with the SRC as a voice for the Hearing Unit and the many cultural groups within our school. They serve to provide a link between these groups and aim to promote harmony and understanding. They also aid in organising, leading and funding any charities or school events.

Responsibilities include: (these complement roles as above)

- Communicate with student body, teachers and community
- Liaise with the students from the International Roll Call and Hearing Unit (in particular) and teachers in order to represent their interests and needs within the school community
- Attend weekly and any additional SRC meetings.
- Be proactive in organising and working as a team to common goals.
- Present at assemblies

2019 NOMINATION FOR JUNIOR SCHOOL LEADERS

It is a privilege and honour to be voted by your peers as a member of the St Ives High School Leadership Team. All students are encouraged to apply for this position, however you should consider your willingness to commit to this task, which requires enthusiasm, responsibility, pride in your school and an understanding that you may be required to work on out of school hours activities.

Please complete the application below and hand in to the **school office**, on or before Monday 3 September. You will then receive an email confirmation and you should expect to attend an interview in week 7 with the Senior School Leaders. After this time, nominees will be required to deliver a speech to their year group, prior to voting.

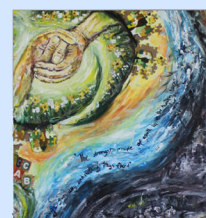
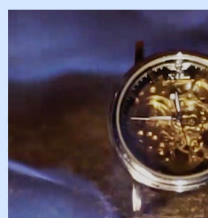
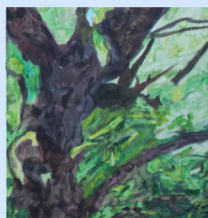
Best wishes to all applicants,

Tania McGurgan
SRC Coordinator

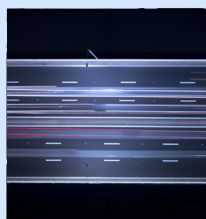
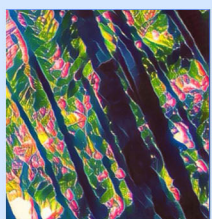
Name of Student Nominated	
Email of Nominated Student	
Please indicate (by circling) which year group you are in:	<div>CIRCLE</div> <div>Yr 7 Yr 8 Yr 9 Yr 10</div>

Your nomination means that you will be required to attend an interview with the Senior School Leaders. Completing the following question will be significant to this process.

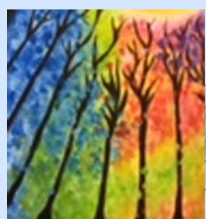
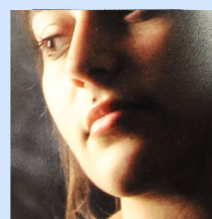
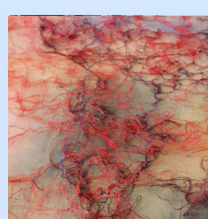
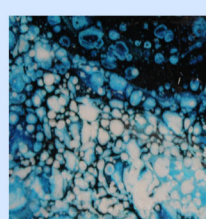
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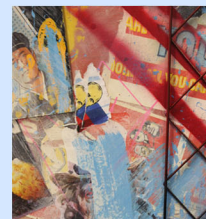
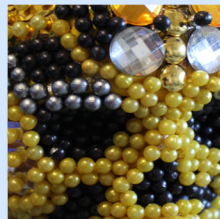
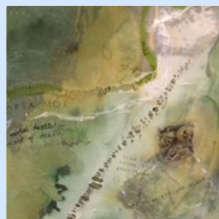
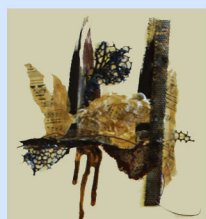
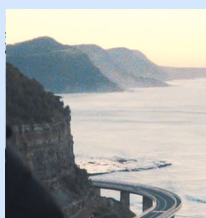
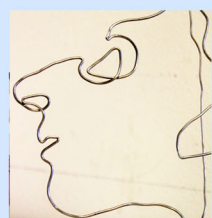
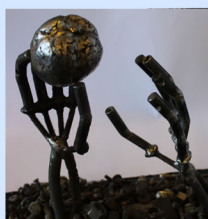
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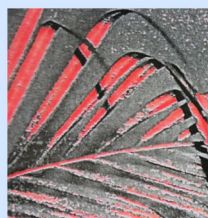
Open Daily
9am to 4pm
Tuesday to Thursday
4th to 6th September



Open Evenings
Tues 4th Sept
7pm to 9pm
Wed 5th Sept
6pm to 8pm
Thurs 6th Sept
4pm to 7.30pm



**Join us as we celebrate
Visual Arts at St Ives High!!**



2018/19 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK



EXCITING NEWS!

For a limited time, everyone who purchases an Entertainment Membership through our Online Order Page until the end of August will receive a \$10 Woolworths WISH eGift Card and free delivery.

Your bonus \$10 Woolworths WISH eGift Card will be emailed to the email address you have provided. Please allow 2 business days to process.

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

[SUPPORT US NOW.](#)

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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