

Term 1 Week 3

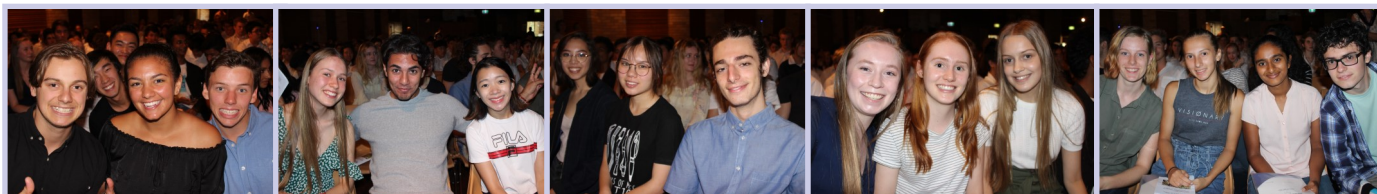
15 February 2019

Principal Matters by Mark Watson



Year 12 2018 High Achievers' Assembly

On Monday this week, we were delighted to welcome back our high achieving students from the 2018 HSC class. Students who received the highest band possible in a course of study were invited back for the assembly. All these students had their names published on the NSW Education Standards Authority's distinguished achiever's honour role. For a 2-Unit course the highest band possible is a band 6 and for a 1-Unit course, the highest band possible is an E4. 44 of our students had their names printed on the distinguished achiever's list. 23 of these students received multiple mentions on this honours list and four of our students received the highest band possible in 10 Units of study and these four also had their names printed on the All Rounder Honours list. Students who received an Australian Tertiary Admissions Rank (ATAR) of 90 or above were also invited back for the assembly. This year, all the students in this group achieved the highest band possible in at least one course of study. Laura Grime achieved 99.2, the highest ATAR and as a result received the award of Dux of the year group. These were the best results the school has achieved in the HSC and as a result, the school was ranked 113th in the State by the Sydney Morning Herald, a jump of 91 positions on our 2017 results. Thanks to Mrs Gettens for once again organising this assembly and for the way she has advocated for our highest achieving students.



Year 7 Welcome Evening

On Monday evening, the parents of our new Year 7 group of students were formally welcomed to the school. The evening was divided into three parts. On arrival, parents were treated to a feast of finger food prepared by our Hospitality students. Then parents moved off to classrooms in groups based upon their child's core class. There they heard presentations about the subjects their children will be studying this year. Finally, there was a large group presentation in the hall covering topics such as transition, technology and communication. Libby Cameron, the P&C president, welcomed parents on behalf of the P&C. She spoke about the activities in which the P&C are involved. She then introduced Ghretta Smith, Juanita Marais and Kishore Sundaresan, the Year 7 parent representatives. Feedback about the night has been very positive. We have heard how some parents are looking forward to their child's sibling starting school next year so they could experience more of the Hospitality students' edible delights. Thanks to Ms Bodley, Ms McGurgan and their team for organising the evening, all the staff who attended and spoke in the rooms; and to Ms Mercer and Mrs Cameron for their presentations in the hall.



Swimming Carnival

The annual school swimming carnival was held at Hornsby Pool on a very hot Tuesday this week. The day revealed that we have some very exciting young swimmers at the school including Kenny C in Year 7 who managed to break some of Nathan Taplin's long-standing records. The day ran very smoothly and many staff members commented on the positive way students behaved on the day. Thanks to Mr Kettels, Ms Terrey and the PE staff for their organisation and running of the carnival. Please see results and photographs of the carnival elsewhere in this newsletter.

North Sydney Blues Awards

On Tuesday I was delighted to be invited to attend the Sydney North School Sports Association's annual awards presentation. Principals are invited when a student from their school receives an award. This is the second time I have had the pleasure of attending and this year two of our students received awards. Congratulations to Jonathan Bell and Srijan Singh, the St Ives High School Blues award winners. Jonathan won his award for Athletics. In 2018, while in Year 12, Jonathan won the gold medal in Pentathlon at the NSW Combined High School's athletics meeting. Srijan won his Blues award for tennis. During 2018, whilst in Year 11, Srijan was ranked number one in NSW for his age group. Srijan is testing his abilities on the world stage in 2019. He has moved to France and from this base is attempting to improve his ranking by playing in international competitions. He was unable to collect his award so his father collected it for him.



Clean Up Australia

St Ives will again participate in Clean up Australia. The environment is a focus for the SRC and the students will be cleaning up within the school grounds, they will be taking responsibility for rubbish generated within the school. Students will be cleaning school grounds during Period 5 according to the following schedule.

Wednesday, 27 February: Period 5 - Year 8
Thursday, 28 February: Period 5 - to start at 2.30pm- Year 7
Friday, 1 March: Period 5 - Year 9

Students are encouraged to bring along gloves (NOT single use plastic or latex gloves). Collection bags and boxes will be provided. Thanks to Ms Paterson for organising this event.

School Photographs

The annual school photos were taken on Wednesday and Friday this week. The photos include individual photos for each student and small group photos for different teams and groups. The teams and group photos were taken on Friday with the individual photos taken on Wednesday. The photos will also be used to produce Student ID cards. Thanks to Ms Rojas for coordinating the photos.

Building Update

This week the scaffolding was removed from around C-Block as the re-roofing of the building comes to an end. Work continues on the refurbishment plans with the hope that they will be soon completed and out to tender. Additional de-mountables need to be added to those already located on the oval and they will be occupied just before the works begin on the refurbishment.

Valentine's Day

Thursday was the 14th of February so the SRC swung into action with a day of fun that included flowers, singing telegrams and bear hugs. A photo booth operated on the Quad during breaks allowing students to obtain a photographic memory of the day. Thanks to the SRC for organising the activities and making 2019 a special Valentine's Day to remember.



Congratulations

This week congratulations to:

- Rojina P (Year 12) for representing the school at the local Lions Club's Youth of the Year contest on Monday night this week. Rojina was a great competitor for St Ives High School, handling the difficult impromptu section very well. See the report elsewhere in this newsletter.

P&C Meeting

A reminder that the first P&C meeting for this year will be held next Thursday evening in the Multi Function Space (MFS) in D-Block. The meeting will begin at 7:30pm with the intention that it will finish at 9:30pm. All are welcome to attend.

Best wishes

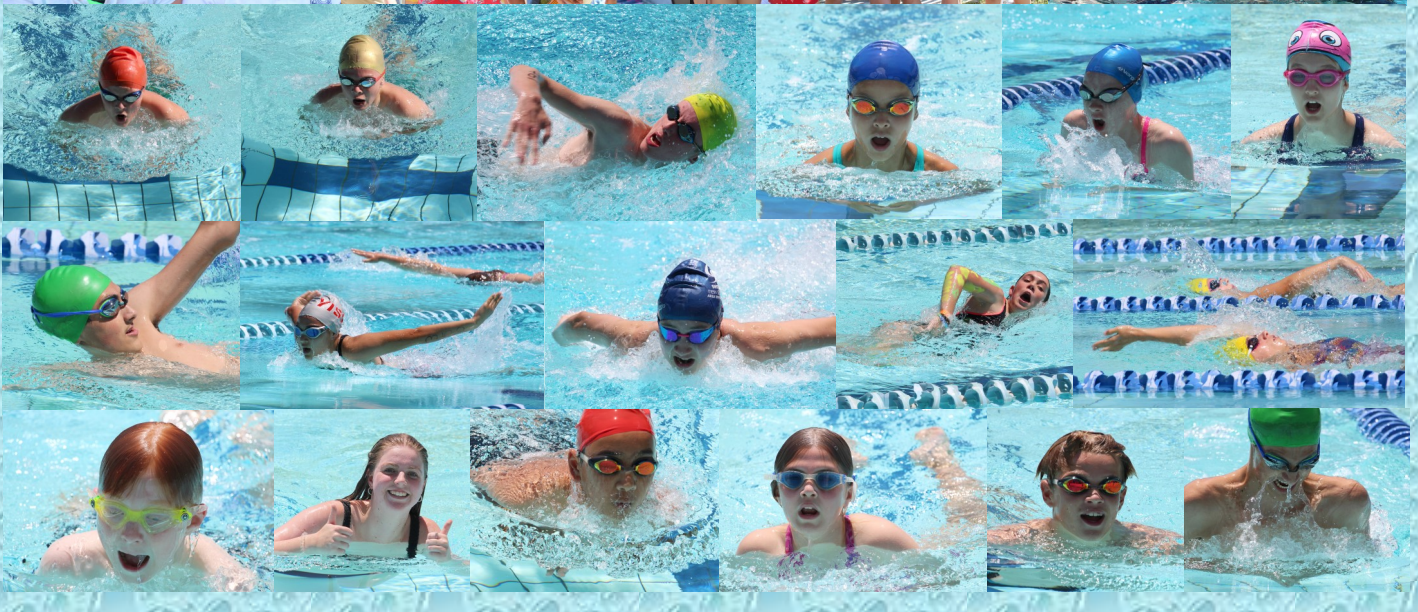
Mark Watson
Principal

ROJINA P— OUR SCHOOL REPRESENTATIVE IN THE 2019 YOUTH OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Lions Youth of the Year is designed to encourage and develop leadership in conjunction with other citizenship qualities in youth, at the age when they are about to enter the fields of employment or higher education. The qualities sought, apart from academic attainments are those of leadership, personality, sportsmanship, public speaking and good citizenship. On Monday evening, Rojina responded to some challenging questions about terrorism and the internet, where she was required to think on her feet. Rojina spoke in a confident and logical manner, narrowly missing out on being awarded the Youth of the Year for the northern Sydney region. Many thanks to the St Ives Lion's Club for running such a valuable opportunity and congratulations to Rojina for doing our school proud.

Nathan Lawler
Deputy Principal

SWIMMING CARNIVAL



**ST IVES HIGH SCHOOL
SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2019**

RESULTS

OVERALL

POSITION	HOUSE	POINTS
First	Jamieson	752 points
Second	Overton	635 points
Third	Harper	456 points
Fourth	Thompson	359 points

BOYS			GIRLS		
POSITION	HOUSE	POINTS	POSITION	HOUSE	POINTS
First	Overton	316 points	First	Jamieson	456 points
Second	Jamieson	296 points	Second	Overton	319 points
Third	Thompson	295 points	Third	Harper	221 points
Fourth	Harper	235 points	Fourth	Thompson	64 points

AGE CHAMPIONS

BOYS		Points	GIRLS		Points
12 years					
Gold	Liam N	29	Gold	Jade B	40
Silver	Charlie L	20	Silver	Amy T	30
Bronze	Michael M	18	Bronze	Carolyn T	18
13 years					
Gold	*Jae Hoon C	62	Gold	Naomi S	54
Gold	*Evan C	61	Silver	Mathilde B	50
Bronze	Dominyk F	39	Bronze	Arantza S A	37
14 years					
Gold	Jason C	62	Gold	Hayley G	62
Silver	Campbell McK	33	Silver	Eliisa W	44
Bronze	Samuel P	25	Bronze	Lucy W	26
15 years					
Gold	Ryan C	62	Gold	*Ashley W	71
Silver	Maximilien B	56	Silver	Nina K	34
Bronze	Ricco C	34	Bronze	Lara M	26
16 years					
Gold	Cameron H	44	Gold	Rebecca D	68
Silver	Juyeong L	30	Silver	Kiara U	30
Bronze	Emmanuel N	22	Bronze	Sophie C	28
17+ years					
Gold	Matthew H	60	Gold	Georgina	56
Silver	Amin H	41	Silver	Nashua H-S	54
Bronze	Kasra P	26	Bronze	Ymke H	34

*School Record Broken

Swimming Carnival 2019 Records Broken

Jae Hoon C	Boys 13yrs 50m Backstroke Old Record: 35:86 New Record: 35:56	E. Delnido	2011
Jae Hoon C	Boys 13yrs 50m Freestyle Old Record: 30:26 New Record: 29:65	J. Lee	2016
Jae Hoon C	Boys 13yrs 50m Breaststroke Old Record: 41:81 New Record: 39:39	N.Taplin	2012
Jae Hoon C	Boys 12-14yrs Individual Medley Old Record: 2:47.31 New Record: 2:46.98	N.Taplin	2013
Evan C	Boys 13yrs 200m Freestyle Old Record: 2:28.25 New Record: 2:27.11	N.Taplin	2012
Ashley W	Girls 15yrs 50m Butterfly Old Record: 35:19 New Record: 34:15	A. Hall	2015

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID — YEARS 11 AND 12

Mental Health issues are on the rise in teenagers, with statistics showing that 1 in 7 young Australians experience a mental health condition and suicide is the biggest killer in this age bracket. St Ives High School has been running the Teen Mental Health First Aid course for the past two years to provide students with the knowledge required around mental health conditions.

Over the years parents have been extremely interested in this course, wanting to gain information in order to support their children and their friends. St Ives High School is hosting a Youth Mental Health course specifically for parents. There are limited spots available, therefore the places will be given to parents who have students in Year 11 and 12 as these are the cohorts that have completed the course. If you would like to attend the course please email ASAP to secure a place: michelle.nunura@det.nsw.edu.au

Michelle Nunura
Head Teacher Welfare

A NOTE FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE ...



We have an unusually large volume of lost property in the office. As well as a plethora of school clothing there are sport shoes, casual clothes, drink bottles, lunch boxes and even a sleeping bag. If your child has lost any of these items, ask them to go to the Office to check the Lost Property box. Clothing not claimed will be donated to charity and drink bottles, lunch boxes etc will be discarded. Thank you.

PERSONAL BEST TRACKING

Personal Best Tracking was an initiative trialled by Year 8 in 2018. PB Tracking proved to be successful in increasing students' motivation therefore the initiative is expanding to include more year groups. This term, years 7-10 will be participating in PB Tracking which means that EVERY student in years 7-10 will receive a mark out of 5 from ALL their teachers for EFFORT. It is very important to note that the mark is awarded for effort applied and not just based on results.

PB Tracking was designed to recognise the students putting in the effort who may not always achieve the highest academic results. Of course, if the top achievers are applying themselves then they will receive a high mark. Top students often do not push themselves to reach their full potential and hopefully this initiative will also encourage these students to put in more effort.

Last year students received a reward if they achieved an average of four or above across all subjects. The reward was voted by the students who chose for an ice cream truck to come to school. This year we are making it more challenging to receive the reward. Students will need to gain an average of 4.5 or above, meaning they will need to achieve either a mark of 4 or 5 across all KLAs.

Looking forward to having a fun rewards afternoon early in Term 2 for all the successful students.



WELFARE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

"Kindness can make a bad day good and a good day better"

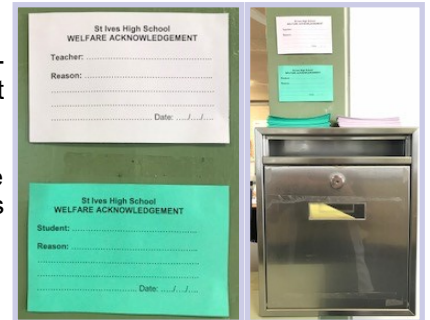
If everyone at St Ives High School fulfilled one act of kindness each day, imagine what a wonderful environment we would be learning in!

I have set up a box in the front office to place nominations for acts of kindness nominating either staff or students. Please come down and fill out a green slip if a student has displayed kindness or a purple slip for a teacher.

Each week 1 green and 1 purple slip will be drawn out of the box and a prize will be awarded to the selected student and teacher. The winners of the weekly 'Kindness Award' will be notified in Sentral Daily Notices.

"If you can be anything, be kind"

Michelle Nunura
Head Teacher Welfare



DUKE OF EDINBURGH BRONZE WALK



On 7 February, 28 students and three teachers embarked on a two day hike along the Six Foot Track in the Blue Mountains. This trek was the students qualifying hike for their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award.

The students walked a total of 15kms through some stunning Australian landscape in extreme heat and then endured a thunderstorm through the night. Due to a heavy downpour of rain, some tents did not fair as well as others resulting in some students having to use problem solving strategies to find a way to sleep dry!

All students successfully completed the hike and displayed a high level of resilience. Well done and we hope you all continue on to strive for your Silver Award

Michelle Nunura
Head Teacher Welfare

SRC REPORT – VALENTINE'S DAY

The SRC had a busy week preparing for Valentine's Day, with flowers, bear hugs and singing telegrams being ordered all week, so that everything could be delivered on the big day! 250 flowers were sold, as well as 150 bear hugs and 50 singing telegrams being distributed on the day. The SRC were flat out all day, making sure that no one was left out.

Over \$500 was raised to go towards furthering the plastic bottle recycling system growing at St Ives High, increasing the number of recycling bins on the playground in the near future. The Quad was also decorated with streamers and balloons, and a photo-booth was run by the SRC members during recess, with accessories provided for students to snap some fantastic pics with their friends. Overall, the day was a huge success with students being entertained (and perhaps a bit embarrassed) by their friends and valentines, with everyone feeling the love!

A quick reminder to students to look out for information regarding *Spirit Week* and *Worlds Greatest Shave* in the notices and on posters around the school. For anyone wishing to partake in shaving or cutting their hair during assembly, come and see Mrs McGurgan in the Art staffroom or D1.

Tania McGurgan
SRC Coordinator



LIBRARY LOVERS' DAY 2019

In celebration of Library Lovers' Day 2019 students have been invited to go on a "Blind Date with a Book". Students can select a wrapped, highly recommended book based on a few key words about the genre and plot, borrow the book, unwrap and enjoy. After their "date" students are asked to complete an evaluation to let library staff and students know what they thought of their book. Take a chance and fall in love with a book from Valentine's Day until 21 February.

The Australian Library and Information Association are running a flash fiction competition as part of Library Lovers' Day. Students are encouraged to write a 200 word story about anything it just has to start with the writing prompt '*there was love to be found in the library*'. Please see the Library Google Classroom (Class Code: i9wxj5) for more information and submit your entry by 12 noon 20 February 2019. Any questions please talk to the Library Staff.



THE WRITING CENTRE

Now in its fourth year the Writing Centre is up and running once again. Students from throughout the school are invited to improve their communication skills, especially their writing. We focus on all aspects of grammar and build up to whole text production. When students come regularly they are adding two hours every week to their English skills.

When: 7.45am on Monday and Wednesday

Where: B16

Who: Students from Years 7 to 12

Year 12 students are requested to email 24 hours in advance so that additional staff are available to give individual assistance where possible.

Enquiries:

Ms Emma Abraham emma.abraham5@det.nsw.edu.au

or Mrs Peta Regan peta.regan@det.nsw.edu.au





DUST OFF THOSE COBWEBS, OIL THAT CHAIN AND PUMP UP THOSE TYRES... ITS BOBBO TIME.

The Bobbin Head Cycle Classic takes place again this year on **Sunday, 24 March**. The school has entered a team this year and we'd love students and parents to join us. This event has a number of distances catering for fun riders and first timers as well as distances to challenge those who are well accustomed to the saddle.

It is a really fun event and a wonderful opportunity to cycle through Bobbin Head without cars.

Distances: 27km (this is the popular and very achievable distance even for non-riders), 57km, 80km and 104km

Entry Fee: Students have a special discounted entry of \$25.

Please use the following codes to take advantage of this discount:

February price from 1 Feb to 28 Feb - for discount enter STIVESFEB

March price from 1 March to 24 March - for discount enter STIVESMAR

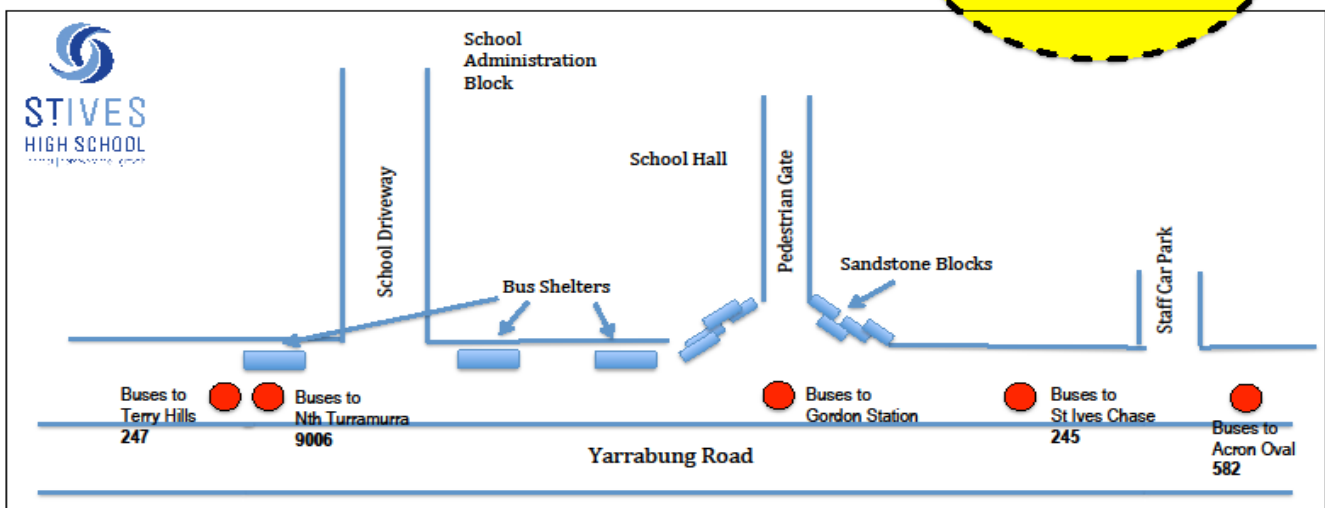
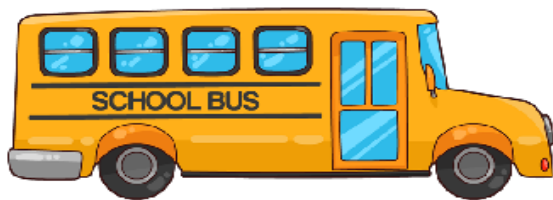
Further details can be found at <http://www.bobbinheadcycleclassic.org.au>

Please let Mrs Frykberg (Maths Staffroom) know when you have entered or if you need any further information

WHICH BUS DO I GET ON TO GET HOME?

Please find attached a detailed map of the location of buses leaving St Ives High School in the afternoon. This map will allow students and parents to know the exact location outside the school gates of the bus they need to catch, as well as the bus number and the direction in which it will travel.

Johanne Doherty, Relieving Head Teacher TAS
VET Hospitality and Kitchen Operations Teacher



CAREERS UPDATES



Year 12 UNSW Medicine Information Evening 2019

Registrations are now open for aspiring doctors and their parents. Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from current staff and students and about changes to our medicine admissions process.

20 March - Time: 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

The registration link has been emailed to Year 12 students.

University Offers 2018

Many of our 2018 year 12 students received excellent university offers and I have grouped the offers by faculty, though I am aware there is some possible overlap here.

- Engineering, Architecture.
- Accounting, Actuarial Studies, Business Administration & Management, Economics, Commerce, Law, Criminal Justice, Global or International Studies.
- Medical Science, Biotechnology, Biomedical, Science, Pharmacy, Occupational Therapy, Physiotherapy, Exercise & Sports Science, Health Sciences, Nursing, Social Work, Psychology.
- Arts, Humanities, Social Science, Communication.
- Education.
- Visual Arts, Graphic Design, Fashion.
- Film, Music, Screen Media.
- Information Technology.

UTS Accounting Scholarship 2019

Bachelor of Accounting Cooperative Education Scholarship Program BAcc Information Evening Tue 14 May 2019.

Register (free) at www.bachelorofaccounting.com .

Round 1 Closing Date Fri 7 June 2019. Round 2 Closing Date Fri 18 October 2019.

Online applications at www.bachelorofaccounting.com .

For more information, send an email to carin.alberts@uts.edu.au

NS5 Careers Expo 2019 for year 10-12 students at Chatswood HS

The date for the 2019 careers expo will be Wednesday 3 July at Chatswood HS from 5.30-7.30pm. All major universities, TAFE and private colleges will have a table of representatives where you can ask questions and receive recent course and scholarship information.

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.

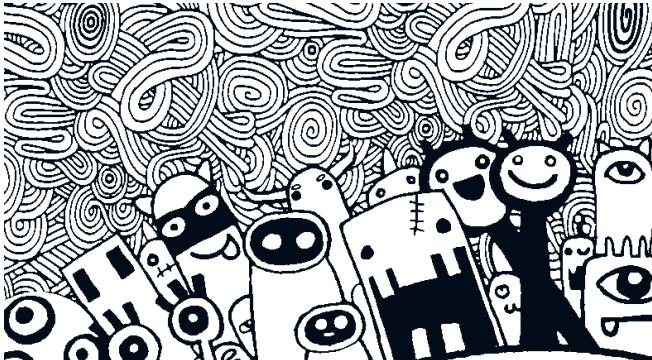
Visit my free careers website at <http://www.careeradvicensw.com> to view career videos, take career tests, view subject selection resources, links to all universities on bonus points, scholarships, elite athletes schemes, alternate entry to university, the job market, SRS and more.

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Come and play hockey with
Gordon North Sydney Hockey Club

Junior Registrations now open to all players aged 7 to 17
Trials and training commence last week in February
Ku-ring-gai Hockey Centre, North Turramurra

For more information visit www.gnshockey.asn.au/juniors1 or email juniors@gnshockey.asn.au





AWOL Youth Hub

**799 Pacific Highway
(behind Gordon Library)**

For young people aged 12 - 24

All programs are free

Ku-ring-gai Youth Services
kmc.nsw.gov.au/youth


Fridays at The Fitz

**The Fitz Youth Centre
St Ives Village Green
Memorial Ave St Ives**

For young people aged 12-24

All programs are free

Ku-ring-gai Youth Services
kmc.nsw.gov.au/youth




The Landing

**Open Tuesday's during
school term 3.30pm - 6pm**

**Turrumurra Youth Centre
5 Ray St Turrumurra
(Under Turrumurra Library)**

Ku-ring-gai Youth Services
kmc.nsw.gov.au/youth





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FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

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