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principal's report: recognition, interviews, ski trip, sport

Leon Weatherstone - Principal

The talents of our students and the support they get from their teachers never cease to amaze me. I would like to take you on a short 'tour' of many of the achievements through the first half of this term.

Recognition Assembly

Nearly 300 students received recognition awards in our Recognition Assembly in

Week 3 this term. These students showed academic excellence in their Semester One reports either by achieving Outstanding or High in all courses of study or by Always or usually working hard and giving their best efforts to improve learning. While we of course love to see great results, we more highly value students who show that they have a commitment to their own learning. It was fantastic that around 400 parents and friends were able to come along to our Recognition Assembly to support the achievements of their children.

Parent Teacher Interviews

It was wonderful to see so many parents take the opportunity to discuss their child's education with teachers on our Parent Teacher Interview Evenings. There were over 1700 individual bookings made over the two nights and coupled with our Senior Parent Teacher interviews earlier this year there were many many more times interviews than have been had in previous years. This communication between home and school is vital in ensuring that students are best prepared to improve their learning.



Year 11 Ski Trip

Our Year 11 SLR students once again had the opportunity to go on a four day ski trip. This group of young men and women represented our school in spectacular style and by all accounts had a really enjoyable time. Thank you to Mr Dwyer, Ms Kelly, Mr Campbell, Mr Valsamis and Ms Tran for your organisation and supervision of students, making sure that all went well.

Japanese Delegation Visit

We were honoured to have representatives from Sumida Junior High School from Tokyo Japan, visit us early this term to discuss the possibility of students from their school visiting us early in Term 3 next year for about one week. They



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principal's report: recognition, interviews, ski trip, sport

Leon Weatherstone - Principal

were very impressed with our facilities and most particularly students as they were taken for a tour of our school. So impressed that they have confirmed that they will be visiting us next year. We will be seeking parents and students who are willing to host a Japanese student in their homes for one week during this time. This is an amazing opportunity to broaden cultural understanding and appreciation and in an integral part of the Japanese Languages program in our school taught by Mrs Vidakovic. I highly recommend consideration of hosting a Japanese students, most particularly for current Year 7 students who will all be studying Japanese in Year 8 2017. We will provide you with more information about this in coming months.

Sports

Our Wests Leagues Cup Boys were recently defeated but this does not detract from their valiant efforts on the sporting field, they truly 'did us proud'. Our first ever Girls Rugby League teams have had amazing success. Thank you to Mr Lloyd and Ms Rysko for the training and support of the girls. The under 16s Team has progressed to the State Championships. Our Open Boys Soccer team is through to the Semi Finals and hold a real chance of taking out the championship. We wish them well and no that no matter the result, they are a credit to themselves, their families and our school. Finally, congratulations to Thomas Dobson who achieved first in NSW and third nationally at the recent Archery Australia National Indoor Competition, a truly amazing achievement.



HSC success

We have had many great examples of student success as they move toward their HSC. Our Industrial Technology students have finished their projects and there are some fantastic examples of creativity and workmanship in wood. We look forward to some great results from these. Thank you to Mr Lockard for his support of students and numerous days he also spent with them during the recent school holidays to assist them in this amazing work. Mr Khanna has also found some time to assist these students and I know this also has helped them achieve at very high levels.

I recently attended our HSC Drama night and the performances from our Year 12 students literally left chills running down my spine (in all the best of ways). These are very passionate performers and many should do very well. Thank you to Miss Day for her support as teacher and Mrs Hayward's leadership as Head Teacher.

Student Attendance and lateness to School

I have become increasingly concerned at the numbers of students arriving late to school. All students are expected to be at their roll class room by 8.25am each morning (8:40am on Tuesdays). A warning bell rings at 8:23am (8:38am Tuesdays) to signal to students that they need to move off to their roll classes to all them to be there on time.

I am aware the traffic around the school from 8.15 to 8.30am is dreadful and I have advised students to aim to be at school at least 10 minutes earlier than needed to ensure they arrive on time.

I have spoken to students on numerous occasions recently, warning them that detentions would be required from those students who arrive late. We are encouraging good 'work habits' to be prepared and on time and I thank those parents who are supportive of this.

Leon Weatherstone
PRINCIPAL



year seven report: recognition congratulations

Jeanelle Karagiannis - Year Seven Adviser

Year 7 have commenced their second semester of High School. They should all be commended on their positive attitude and motivation towards their studies.

It was great to see so many parents and students attend our parent teacher night. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet your child's teachers to discuss their Semester One results and gain valuable feedback and strategies for improvement. If you were unable to attend parent teacher night and would like to discuss your child's progress do not hesitate to contact the school.

We recently had our annual recognition assembly for students who have demonstrated a high standard of effort and application during Semester One. I was delighted to see so many Year 7 students receive an award. Congratulations to all of the recipients.

Year 7 have become actively involved in extracurricular activities, these are excellent opportunities to further develop their skills in specific areas. I would like to encourage all students to take up these opportunities and participate in sporting, performance and gifted and talented activities.

Lunchtime Fun Club is up and running every Thursday. The large number of students who have attended the club has led to the need for more games to be purchased. Many teachers have also heard about the hype and have visited during lunch. The students particularly enjoy this as they challenge us teachers and gloat about their victories.

A reminder that information about Year 8 Camp will be handed out shortly to allow families to make regular payments, making the total payment easier to attain. Keep an eye out for this information and feel free to contact me if you have any queries.

It is important for students to have an organised approach to their studies. Students are encouraged to utilise their school diary to note due dates for all tasks. Don't forget that the Year 7 Assessment Calendar is available on the JEHS website. To ensure further improvement students should be completing their homework and regularly revising.

Science Week was held during Week 5. Jeans for Genes/Wear it Purple Day was on the 19th August, students wore mufti on this day for the cost of a gold coin donation.

Upcoming events to note include, Year 7 Gala Day will be held on Thursday 1st of September. Students will participate in a variety of sports against other schools.

A reminder that if you have a practical subject that day to ensure that the appropriate equipment such as enclosed leather shoes is brought to school so that you may still participate in class activities. #



**The September JEHS P&C meeting
will be held in the school library on
Monday, September 5th, 2016**



year nine report: time management is important

Nathan Dwyer - Year Nine Adviser

Year 9 have been generally been working hard so far in Term 3. More assessments are coming up on the calendar and it is important that students revise work at home regularly and complete set tasks by teachers.

Time management is really important and students need to make sure they allocate time to their studies, as well as the other

important things that make up a balanced lifestyle such as time with family and friends and exercising.

Speaking of exercise, due to Olympic fever hitting JEHS, myself and Miss Ryan will be hosting some sporting days coming up for Year 9 at lunch times. It will be Year 9 vs the ALL STARS, the ALL STARS being made up of the highly talented teachers. The first sport will be soccer in Week 6 (Year 9 listen out for details in roll call).

Congratulations to all the students who received awards at the Recognition Assembly. I was very proud to see that Year 9 had the most recipients out of all the year groups. It is a true reflection of your hard work and dedication.

Keep up the great work Year 9 and I wish you luck in the rest of your assessments for Term 3. #



year ten report: senior subjects selected

Tim Moreland - Year Ten Adviser

Students by now have attended the curriculum night, been to many meetings held at school and selected their subjects for Year 11 and 12.

While their selections are far from being finalised, we hope that they have selected subjects that suit their ability and that they have a genuine interest in.

This is vital for them as it will influence how engaged and happy they are in their senior schooling years. Thank you to Mrs Violi and Mr Khanna for the effort they have put in with this process.

As we come towards the end of Year 10, our students are also faced with the choice of

either going on to senior school or gaining full time employment.

While most students want to finish Year 12, we will also have some who want to gain an apprenticeship or a traineeship.

This is a great idea for those students who have a passion in these areas. We have already had three students gain apprenticeships this year. Congratulations and good luck to Ryan Watson – Roofing, Leo Juresic – Bricklaying and Jakob Bell-Demerjian – Plumbing.

While those students have left, three new students have started. A warm welcome goes to Andrew Hanna, Armani El Darwich and Lucy Wong.

While we have a focus on career paths and senior school, it's also very important that students meet the minimum requirements so they can progress to Year 11 in 2017.

Attending school consistently and on time and completing all classwork and assessments are essential. If you child receives an N warning it is vital that they complete it as soon as possible. Too many of these may mean they have to redo Year 10 again next year.

If you have any questions about your son or daughter's progress or career options, please feel free to contact me at school. #





year eleven report: commitment recognised

Regina Young - Year Eleven Adviser

On Monday August 1st, 32 Year 11 students were recognised for their commitment and attitude to learning at the annual Recognition Assembly.

The transition to Year 11 from Year 10 can be many things including daunting, scary and overwhelming. However, the current Year 11 students have made the transition look seamless.

They have demonstrated a mature attitude in classes, made a wholehearted attempt to develop their study skills and ability to work independently and have made a positive contribution to the school culture.

Part of the contribution they have made to the school culture includes their participation as referees and scorers in the under 15's knockout at Hurlstone Agricultural School where Andrew Webster, Vishaal Behari, Dany Allaf and Josh Geering did an outstanding job.

Kelvin Owusu participated in the 16s Boys Futsal team at Penrith Sports Stadium in the State Titles. Kayla Spurway, Allysha Grattan and Talei Cakacaka participated in the regional athletics. While Chantelle Gawthorne and Talei Cakacaka represented the school in the girls rugby league team.

The Open Boys Soccer against Karabar High School saw Andrija Milenkovic, Humza Moussa, Anthony Beuk, Kelvin Owusu, Adam Habous, Dany Allaf and Khaled Lababidi compete.

Year 11 have also been occupied with other activities including, an excursion to see the Frida Kahlo exhibition. The students who attended were, Nandita Kumar, Ritika Sharma, Jasmine Rice, Nadine Kalaoun, Aylin Al-ibadi, Carina Li, Ellouise Varjacic, Jakub Watson, Melissa Desisto and Branka Manojlovic.

Chloe Biggs, Anmol Kumar, Humza Moussa, Kim Refalo, Kristian Stojcevski and Hassan Tunakan all donated blood.

As we approach the mid- point of Term 3 it is important to remember that the Yearly Examinations are held in Weeks 9 and 10. These examinations mark the completion of Year 11 and are important to assess what can be done to improve student performance in the Higher School Certificate. Also, Year 11 results are important if students apply for early entry into university during 2017.

It is important that students are constantly checking their DET portal for emails from Mrs Violi about apprenticeships, internships, scholarship and employment opportunities as well as leadership days and events.

These events and opportunities are particularly important for students thinking about careers in specific areas or students who are undecided about their future and are seeking information generally.

Mr Chavez and I wish all students the best in their upcoming examinations. #



year twelve report: marathon is drawing to an end

Will Hilton - Year Twelve Adviser

This year may have felt like a marathon for many, but, finally, Year 12 are now into their last weeks of high school! The final round of assessments has been completed, major works and projects have been finalised in practical subjects, and the last elements of course content are being taught.

Now is the time for students to really knuckle down and revise their notes, write revision summaries, and seek clarification on any elements of their HSC courses that they are unsure of. Students should be working at home consistently, planning their time with a study timetable, and focusing on one or two subjects every night. Teachers are here to help, so please encourage students to seek assistance as soon as possible, before small issues snowball into unnecessary causes of stress.

With that in mind, I would like to emphasise that, whilst this term is certainly one in

which most students feel an increase in pressure, students should not feel overwhelmed. If you have concerns that your child is struggling under the weight of the HSC, please contact me. I, along with the School Counsellors, Careers Advisor and, of course, the entire school staff, are here to help.

Whilst it is certainly a time of increased workload and pressure, there is a light at the end of the tunnel! Week 10 will see a range of events for Year 12 to enjoy and bring their time at JEHS to a close:

- **3rd Annual Olympiathon** Wednesday, September 21, School Oval periods 1 to 4: School sports uniform or appropriate clothing in house colours may be worn.

- **Picnic Day** Thursday, September 22 – Sydney Royal Botanic Gardens: Permission notes must be returned ASAP and a reminder that according to the rules of the Botanic Gardens, no ball games/frisbees are allowed due to the safety of other members of the public. Students must bring

their own food, they will not be allowed to visit shops or cafes to purchase food.

- **Graduation Ceremony** Friday, September 23: Full school uniform (with blazer and tie) must be worn. This is a great opportunity for friends and family members to recognise the efforts of the students as they complete 13 years of education.

- **The Year 12 Formal** will be held on Tuesday November 15: Permission notes and money must be returned ASAP for those eligible to attend. It will be a fantastic evening to relax and celebrate the end of high school with friends.

Finally, I want to congratulate Year 12 on completing their studies. As their Assistant Year Advisor and now Year Advisor, I have watched these students mature and develop into wonderful young adults. I am proud of the people they are becoming. I wish them the best of luck in the HSC and in all that comes after it as they go out into the world. #



capa report: performances a-plenty

Karen Hayward - Head Teacher, Creative & Performing Arts

Wow!! What a term it has been so far in the land of Creative and Performing Arts!

Congratulations to all our Year 12 Dance students who completed their Practical Examination on the 8th and 9th of August. What a relief to have such a large component of the course completed. This comprised of both dance performances and compositions by the Year 12 students.

The class have been working on these since last year and finally they made it to the finish line. On the day everyone was full of emotion (Ms Kelly included), but the show must go on and indeed it did. A few students may have admitted to some 'improvised' phrases, but the motto of the day was 'go in there and have fun!'.

The Performance section of the HSC is the component where Year 12 students

demonstrate their technique, skills and abilities to the markers. Performing a range of body skills while maintaining their performance quality and using safe dance practices.

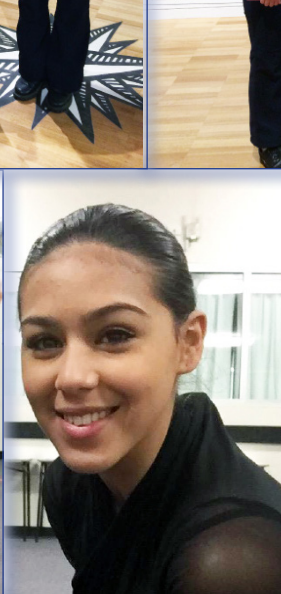
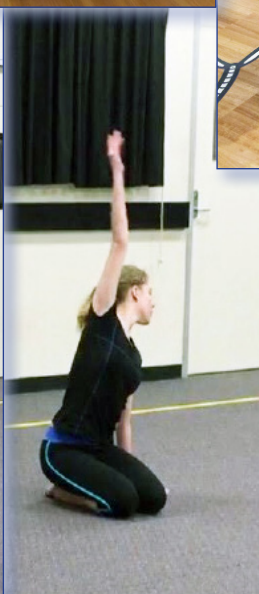
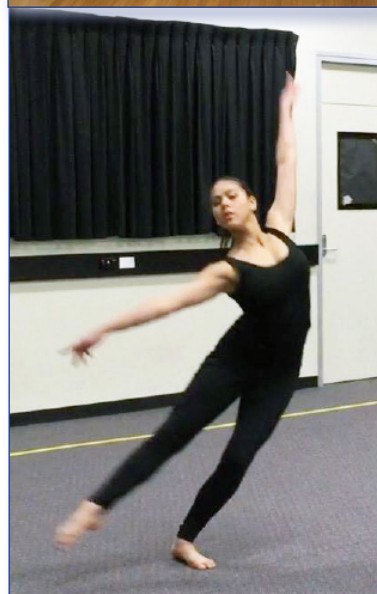
The Composition section is for the Year 12 students to choreograph a dance based on a theme/ intent and teach this to a younger student to perform. A huge shout out to all the junior students who performed - Kelsey McIvor, Alisha Hutchinson, Christine Choy, Annabelle Sisouvath, Alix Boyle, Ashlyn Rice and Amalia Haddad.

Year 12 isn't quite there yet, they still have a written examination to complete in October but have plenty of time to plan and prepare for that. Congratulations to all the students on their hard work and dedication!

Family members, teachers and fellow students were entertained and awed by the wonderful performances of our Year 12 Drama students on Thursday night 11th

of August. Mr Weatherstone described the performances as... Spine Tingling! Performers included Lilyana Barroso, James Kahlia, Tina Kameas, Lydia Maccarrone, Bianca Boyd, Derell Tesoriero, Sam Davey, Hayley Bishop, Dylan Chanthabouly, Amelia Cimone, Emma Reid, Cheyenne Saunders, Carina Turner, Hayley Bishop, Angela Koroneos and Carly O'Flynn. Thanks to the hard work and guidance of their teacher Ms Day, students will be more than ready for their HSC performance on the 25th August.

The heat is on...for Year 12 Visual Arts students whose 'Body of Works' are due to be submitted on Monday 29th of August - 3.00pm deadline. The studios have been busy at recess, lunchtime and after school with our very talented and hardworking arts students sculpting, painting, sewing, carving, drawing... An exhibition is planned to showcase these works in Term 4 - watch this space for the date.





capa report: performances a-plenty

Karen Hayward - Head Teacher, Creative & Performing Arts

Our Year 12 Music Performance evening is on Wednesday the 31st of August. Families and friends are invited – the show begins at 6pm in the Music Performance space in C Block. Students and staff have been rehearsing around the clock in preparation for their practical examination which will be held Weeks 8/9 this term.

CAPA wishes all Creative and Performing Art's students all the best (many broken legs...as the saying goes) in Drama, Visual Arts and Music for their upcoming Practical HSC Examinations.

Year 11 and 12 Visual Arts students had a fantastic day out at the Art Gallery of NSW.

We visited the blockbuster exhibition 'Frida Kahlo and Diego Rivera'. It was a wonderful exhibition tracing the lives of both artists and their tumultuous and epic love affair over many decades. Students also managed to squeeze in a look at Indonesian artist Eko Nugroho and German artist Julian Rosefeldt 'Manifesto' with famed Australian actor Cate Blanchett.

Year 10 Stage 5 Music Night performers: Phoebe Ball, Dylan Bellingham, Jaime Brito, Jasmine Brophy, Jason Cham, Chantal Dart, Domenico Di Bartolo, Selina Frleta, David-Blaine Jameson, Raymond Lam, Tiffany Lim, Rosanna Luppino, Kira Maggio, Khemerak

Marm, Aleksandar Milhusevic, Stefan Mitevski, Nancy Nguyen, Chantelle Prasad, Ferolini Ropati, Neamani Tah, Jessica Thai, Shayla Togiapoe, Ayellannah Tupuola and Phillip Van Dykenn.

Year 9 Stage 5 Music Night performers: Isaiah Akama Tumu, Julian Baonza, Ricky Boateng, Rory Bonar, Jakob Cartagena, Paige Digiovanni, Lucas Garland, Fatima Ghamrawi, Alex Huy, Stella Jung, Tijana Lau, Sam Leotta, Maddison Nunn, Charlie Patterson, Dimitri Portan, Ashlyn Rice, Jordan Ryan, Kishan Sharma, Thanongsin Sisouvath and Joanne Tran. #





industrial arts report: completing major projects

Shaun Lockard - Head Teacher, Industrial Arts

Term 3 is always a very busy time of year in the Industrial Arts Faculty and this year has been no different.

Year 12 Industrial Technology Students have been working extremely hard, spending time after school and in the holidays, to finish their Major Projects. The Major Projects represent the culmination of two years' work.

The standard of work this year has again been outstanding, with students producing high quality products. On behalf of the Industrial Arts Faculty, I would like to congratulate our year 12 Industrial Technology Timber students on their fine work, dedication and commitment to their studies.

The Industrial Technology Timber students are not the only ones that have been working hard this term, Year 12

Engineering Studies students have been busy completing Engineering Reports of their own and are currently revising their work in preparation for the Higher School Certificate Examination.

Students are all encouraged to continue with this momentum of positivity and commitment to their work as we lead into the HSC Examinations. #



aboriginal education: naidoc week

Lara Jane - Co-ordinating Teacher

At the beginning of Term 3 the school held an exceptional whole school assembly in celebration of NAIDOC Week.

NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Observance Committee and the theme for the event this year was Songlines. It was a privilege for both students and staff to be able to listen to our special guest Tony Mundine, speak about his life, his culture and his achievements.

John Edmondson High School's Indigenous students and their parents were invited to a morning tea after the assembly, where Mr Mundine was generous with his time speaking individually to students and taking the time for them to have photographs.

Jake from AIME who has developed strong connections with the school was also in attendance, after he spoke too, sharing his personal stories about his

high school experiences and the importance of identity when growing up. The students behaved in an exemplary manner and represented themselves and our school with pride. Thank you to Mr Lockard for organising the assembly and morning tea, it was a great success.

Indigenous students also attended the Cowpasture Excursion, where they visited local primary schools and were mentors to the younger students.

Thank you to Miss Cavey for supervising this excursion, as students came away having

developed important leadership skills and felt connected to their community.

Overall, it has been a wonderful start to Term 3 for Indigenous Education, and as a school we look forward to upcoming events and exciting opportunities for students. #





public speaking report: passionate expression

Lauren Coluccio - Co-ordinator

On Wednesday, August 3rd, John Edmondson High School participated in the 2016 Legacy Public Speaking Competition.

Fairfield High School hosted the local final, which brings together students from years 7, 8 and 9 from across South West Sydney. Vina Houshyar from Year 7 represented the school in the challenging two part event. To begin, the sixteen contestants were expected to present a prepared speech of up to five minutes, speaking on a topic of their own choosing. Vina opted to speak about an important social justice issue that impacts everyone: Bullying. She confidently communicated her arguments against bullying and engaged the audience with her well-chosen examples and passionate expression.

After a refreshment break, the second half of the competition resumed. This daunting component requires all contestants to present an impromptu speech interpreting an unknown topic. This section allows students five short minutes to prepare a two minute response where their general knowledge and conceptual ideas are tested. The topic allocated to the contestants was 'Being on the Fence' and the talented group

of students devised speeches surrounding topics such as Indecisiveness, Racism, Barriers and Refugees, bringing new and interesting ideas to such a broad concept. After a long wait, Vina was called upon to conclude the impromptu speeches. She eloquently encouraged the audience to reflect on Why barriers such as fences even exist, incorporating heart-felt examples such as concentration camps, ignorance and disadvantage. The audience, adjudicator and contestants all responded positively to such a compassionate and well-presented speech and Vina clearly excelled under the high pressure circumstances of the impromptu presentation.

While Vina was unsuccessful in progressing to the next round of the competition, she should be tremendously proud of her mature approach to such a challenging round of Public Speaking and congratulated on having an extremely



strong impromptu response. A special thanks to Natalia Sepulveda Armijo who volunteered to attend the day in support of Vina, after a last minute withdrawal from the competition. #



debating report: cowpasture debating initiative

Lauren Coluccio - Co-ordinator

John Edmondson High School is a proud member of the Cowpasture Debating Initiative, where local high schools and primary schools come together to promote and foster a love for Debating and Public Speaking.

This competition is still in progress and on August 18th, our teams and senior adjudicators made their way to Hoxton Park Public School to complete Round 3.

This year JEHS is participating on two fronts. Firstly, our two Year 7 Debating teams are competing in a 'round robin'

style tournament, going up against primary school students from local schools such as: Greenway Park, Hoxton Park, Bonnyrigg Heights, Cecil Hills and Green Valley.

This has enabled a more positive relationship between the students and offers teachers and team coaches the opportunity to share their experiences of Debating and Public Speaking.

A large group of Year 11 and 12 students has also volunteered to adjudicate the debates between schools and offer assistance and guidance throughout the planning and presentation process. Not only does this offer a valuable opportunity for these

enthusiastic seniors to take on leadership roles, but gives junior debaters the chance to engage in rich learning experiences with their peers that will benefit them in future competitions.

The students involved in this program should be extremely proud of their contributions to Debating and Public Speaking and fostering positive relationships between schools in the South West Sydney region. #



book club: founders soon to graduate

Lara Jane - Co-ordinator

The John Edmondson High School Book Club was first established in 2015. A pair of current Year 12 students approached myself with a love of reading at the end of Year 10, and it was with excitement that Book Club was formed.

Those students were Olivia Dillow and Angela Koroneos. It has since expanded in membership; however, these students will shortly graduate.

Although they will be sorely missed, the opportunity has arisen for younger students to join the group from Term 4 onwards.

As encouragement, Year 12 have this to say about Book Club:

Olivia Dillow: "Excursions = time off school to do things you don't normally get to do!"

Angela Koroneos: "You expand what you get to do, and read things you wouldn't normally."

Christopher Elvy: "Reading is good for the brain."

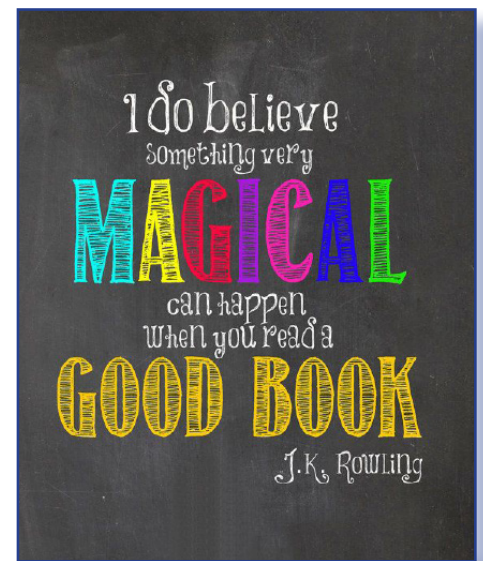
Lochlan Thomson: "The teachers are fabulous."

Carly O'Flynn: "Miss Jane makes reading fun."

Elena Khouri: "It is an entertaining way to spend lunch."

Book Club is all about creating a positive space for students to share their interests and it is student directed. Teachers are there to supervise and facilitate activities, however, it is based around students own ideas.

In the past, students have even created a reading list for their teachers as they claimed it was not fair that teachers always told them what they had to read! It was about time the teachers received homework! If students are



interested in joining, they should put forward their expression of interest to either myself or their English teacher and listen for notices in roll call. #

POLICE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT DAY

FREE EVENT

Saturday 24 September 2016 10am - 3pm
Fairfield Showground - 443 Smithfield Rd, Prairiewood

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- Mounted Police
- Marine Area Command
- Forensic Services Group
- Counter Terrorism and Special Tactics Unit
- TAFE
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- Rural Fire Service
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student report:

magic moments foundation

Rainbo Tsui - Year 11

Hello, my name is Rainbo Tsui from Year 11 and I want to talk about a life-changing experience which was fortunately offered to me. I thank Bendigo Bank for sponsoring me and Ms Violi for allowing me to experience the crazy roller-coaster ride of my life.

On July 1st, students from around Australia and international countries arrived at the beautiful Collaroy Centre. There were many unknown strangers waiting around the centre to register and collect the gear which was needed for the 5 days. The youths in green coloured T-shirts started to come around and introduced themselves, while giving hugs. Let me tell you, I received more hugs in five days than in a whole year.

We gathered around the auditorium where we were introduced to the team and camp chants and the most obscure thing of all we had to dance our hearts out every time we entered or left the hall. I felt awkward, out of place because the atmosphere was too friendly and optimistic.

I thought I would have difficulty adapting, but before I knew it, I took my mask off and exposed my vulnerability to the world. It was the first time I have ever done that, but I do not regret it. The burden to act and behave a certain way which formerly defined me, was lifted off and I began to embrace who I truly was.

We had six packed sessions hosted by many motivational speakers: Marlon Smith, Brent Williams, Heather Yelland, Rachel Bell, Dr Matt Mannino, Andrew Davey, Savannah Jackson and Dale White.

Boot camp was at 6:15am and breakfast was at 7:00am. Sessions started at 8:00am in the morning and ran to 11:00pm at night. I lost so many hours of sleep during these five days but what kept me going was food (obviously) and my commitment to learn new things each day, grasping every opportunity I can to fulfil my dreams.

"A vision without action is just a dream. Action without a vision is merely a passing of time. But a vision with action can change the world" – Marlon Smith. Marlon had also



embedded this quote in our heads, "There is greatness within you". This cliché sounding quote got me thinking about the purpose of life. The reality is that, time waits for no one and it is one of our greatest commodities in life. We have to utilise it wisely, extracting all the opportunities we can gather within our existence.

During these five days, it was emotionally exhausting as I confronted my greatest fears, the reality of our society, how to work towards a goal and turning the passion of helping others into a business.

I was taught that fear was the main culprit which held back many people from achieving their full potential. Fear is generated to protect us, but sometimes it blocks our path during critical times in life.

I was also taught that in order to confront fear, we must not let the irrational side of our brain take control over our body, rather, using rational and logical thoughts to comprehend what we are experiencing.

Asking ourselves, "What's the worst thing that can happen if I take action" and "If I don't take action, what will it cost me?" reassembles the thoughts into something easier to comprehend during a time of crisis.

One memorable experience was breaking a wooden board with my bare hands. I

remember crying while writing down all the things I hated about myself on one side of the board, as feelings of regrets started to emerge. On the other side, I had to write down all the things I wanted to become and do.

The analogy of this exercise was to illustrate that we are capable to become the things we truly want to become, by putting in persistence, dedication and hard work. By breaking through the board to the other side, where all the positive thoughts are written, shows how you can overcome FEAR (False Expectations Appearing Real).

This camp created a safe environment where I was not looked down upon for making mistakes, instead we applauded and encouraged each other that mistakes were good, because it is fertiliser for us to grow into a stronger person. I learnt new tactics to reach my true leadership potential and to form new relationships in the future.

To conclude this, I want to share with you my favourite inspirational quote which has stuck with me ever since the camp, "We should realise that challenges we face are actually blessings in disguise which allow us to grow stronger". #



hsie report:

student learning well with Canvas

Alex Gardiner - Head Teacher, HSIE

Students from a variety of courses on Canvas have been learning well through their interactions of the

Course content. These students have been rewarded for their efforts.

Below is a listing of the highest Canvas interactions in current JEHS courses. #

FACULTY	COURSE	HIGHEST	2nd HIGHEST	3rd HIGHEST
HSIE	Geography Year 7	Thomas Esho	Vaibhav Khanna	Aysha Chand
HSIE	History Year 8	Adam Hamzeh Joshua Cham Matthew Rolfo	Moustafa Taleb	Phoenix Snowling
HSIE	Geography Year 9	Blair O'Brien	Stefan Blain Katryn Riservato	Cooper Staples
HSIE	History Year 10	Angela Smith	Jesse Durakovic	Stefan Polic
English	English Year 7	Thomas Esho	Damian Hall	Jessica Watson
English	English Year 8	Chantelle Cutelli	Chantelle Cutelli	Emma Whiteley
English	English Year 9	Jake Wilding	Jovana Bozic	Vivian Hoang
English	English Year 10	Shanisha Prasad	Melanie Leong	Mirjana Kruskonjic
Mathematics	Mathematics Year 7	Thomas Esho	Jessica Watson	Brooke Hannaford Aysha Chand
Mathematics	Mathematics Year 8	Chantelle Cutelli	Vanessa Tjea	Justin Opena
Mathematics	Mathematics Year 9	Jake Wilding	Jovana Bozic	Aidan Moustaf Vivian Hoang
Mathematics	Mathematics Year 10	Shanisha Prasad	Melanie Leong	Jad Bassal
Science	Science Year 7	Chloe Chang	Thomas Escho	Vaibhav Khanna
Science	Science Year 8	Chantelle Cutelli	Cheyenne Galway-Quinn	Candice Maya
Science	Science Year 9	Evelyn Sirimanotham	Aidan Moustafa	Vivian Hoang Serena Truong
Science	Science Year 10	Leon Marm	Daniel Dos Santos	Sanah Hussain



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soccer report:

quarter final vs karabar high

Nick Valsamis - Coach

The Opens Boys Soccer team played Karabar HS (Queanbeyan) at Scott Park, Austral in the Quarter Final of the Puma Cup. A reminder, the Puma Cup is a state-wide knockout competition for all the Comprehensive High Schools in NSW.

After making it through the Round of 16 with a hard fought win against Kelso HS (Bathurst) our boys were eagerly awaiting Karabar HS to try and continue this amazing run. Our Opens Boys started off very strongly creating several chances against a very versatile and skilful Karabar HS team.

Our dominance was then reflected on the scoreboard as Anthony Beuk finished off a wonderful move scoring from an acute angle

inside the box. We ended up taking the 1-0 lead into the half time break.

We came out firing in the 2nd half again and we were again rewarded with a 2nd goal after Andrija Milenkovic headed the ball into the top corner from an Aldo Pecora assist. This sparked the away side as we were pushed back into our half for a substantial amount of time.

Karabar HS reduced the deficit to 2-1 and as they pushed forward we caught the opposition on the break scoring another goal to make it 3-1. It was a wonderful finish from Anthony Beuk after Shamron Prasad did some great work in the midfield.

The 3-1 victory means that we progress to the Semi Finals of the Puma Cup which equals our

achievements of our 2014 golden generation. I would like to wish the boys all the very best in the Semi Final against Epping Boys HS and once again they are doing the John Edmondson HS community very proud.

A big thank you must also go to Kevin Campbell who provided Scott Park in Austral for our home games throughout the year. We have definitely made Scott Park a fortress.

Team: Luka Arnautovic, Humza Moussa, Kaled Labididi, Ryan Sutherland, Andrija Milenkovic, Adam Habbous, Shamron Prasad, Mark Lang, Anthony Beuk, Jeremiah Barkho, Dany Allaf, Kelvin Owusu, Luke Caronna, Ben Lang, Humza Moussa, John Morabito, Aldo Pecora, Jose Garrido, Adam Barbarian, Hamad Hamad. #





sports report: extremely busy term in sport

Nathan Dwyer - Co-ordinator

It has been a busy start to Term 3 with Regional Cross-Country, Regional Athletics Carnival, multiple team sports in league and soccer as well as the Year 8 Gala Day.

Josh Hellyer and Tatiana Tilman excelled in the Regional Cross-Country last term, placing 8th and 5th respectively. Tatiana qualified to run at the CHS Cross-Country where she performed admirably.

John Edmondson High had a strong Regional Athletics Team, led by Zone Age Champions Brayden Wilson and Tatiana Tilman who competed well. However, it was the throwing juggernauts of Justin Rayhanna (2nd Boys 13yrs javelin) and Joe Ueese (1st Boys shotput and javelin 17+yrs) that stole the spotlight. Both boys qualified for the state which is a phenomenal effort.

Knockout sports teams have also been achieving outstanding performances in sport. Mr Spinks U15's Rugby League Team made it to the Wests Leagues Cup semi-final playing James Meehan High, where unfortunately they were pipped at the post and lost in golden point. Still a fantastic effort though boys.

Opens boys soccer have progressed to the final 4 teams in the state after defeating Karabar High School 2-1. What is more impressive about this team is the work ethic and discipline they showed during the game. Mr Valsamis has done a wonderful job with this team and we wish them all the best in their semi-final.

Not to be outdone, the formation of 2 girls rugby league teams here at JEHS by Mr Lloyd has led to more success. The U14's

were runners up at the Wests All Schools tournament and the U16's went one better, claiming the title of Wests Leagues Cup Champions! Nice work girls!

Lastly, Year 8 gala day was on 11th August where we had students from Year 8 competing in European handball, oztag, soccer, softball, netball and basketball. This was an opportunity for students to go out and compete against other schools in the BERNERA Zone in a fun and friendly competition.

I'd like to acknowledge the valuable contributions of the Year 10 PASS students who were out coaching and refereeing on the day. The feedback from staff and parents from other schools was all positive and you were a credit to our school, as was the behaviour of Year 8 students competing. #

Early Leavers Procedure

With HSC and Yearly exams starting it is important that if you require your child to leave school prior to the end of the school day, then you **MUST** write a note that states:

- the child's name
- the child's roll class
- the time the child is required to leave school
- the name of the person who will be collecting the child

This note **MUST** be handed to the administration office **PRIOR** to the start of the school day (8:25am) so it can be recorded.

The person collecting the child is required to present at the administration office at the specified time with suitable photo identification and sign the child out of the school.

This is especially important when we have exams running as **we are not able to use the public address system** to page a student to the administration office.

We ask for your co-operation in this matter.



calendar: what's on and where



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
T3 W8 B	Sept 5	Sept 6	Sept 7 CHS Athletics Carnival @ Homebush	Sept 8 CHS Athletics Carnival @ Homebush HSC Music Marking @ JEHS U14 Boys Cricket JEHS vs Elderslie HS @ Hilder Reserve	Sept 9 CHS Athletics Carnival @ Homebush HSC Music Marking @ JEHS Year 12 Physics Excursion @ MAAS & UNSW, Ultimo
T3 W9 A	Sept 12 Year 11 Exams	Sept 13 Year 11 Exams	Sept 14 Year 11 Exams	Sept 15 Year 11 Exams Year 12 Biology Excursion @ Sydney Children's Hospital U15 Girls Netball Knockout @ Endeavour Park, Fairfield Debating @ Greenway Park PS	Sept 16 Year 11 Exams AIME Excursion @ WSU, Parramatta
T3 W10 B	Sept 19 Year 11 Exams	Sept 20 Year 11 Exams	Sept 21 Year 11 Exams Year 12 Olympiathon @ JEHS	Sept 22 Year 11 Exams Year 12 Picnic Day @ Botanic Gardens, Sydney	Sept 23 Year 12 Graduation Ceremony @ JEHS Auditorium
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS: Monday Sept 26 to Friday Oct 7					
T4 W1 A	Oct 10 Year 10 Exams STUDENTS RETURN FOR TERM 4, 2016	Oct 11 Year 10 Exams	Oct 12 Year 10 Exams	Oct 13 Year 10 Exams	Oct 14 Year 10 Exams AIME Excursion @ WSU, Parramatta
T4 W2 B	Oct 17 HSC Exams	Oct 18 HSC Exams Yr 9 & 10 Drama Excursion @ Riverside Theatre, Parramatta	Oct 19 HSC Exams	Oct 20 HSC Exams Kirby Cup Legal Studies Competition @ WSU	Oct 21 HSC Exams Fast Forward Program @ WSU, Campbelltown
T4 W3 A	Oct 24 HSC Exams Year 7 Testing Week	Oct 25 HSC Exams Year 7 Testing Week	Oct 26 HSC Exams Year 7 Testing Week Yr 7 Vaccinations @ JEHS	Oct 27 HSC Exams Year 7 Testing Week	Oct 28 HSC Exams Year 7 Testing Week Leadership Team Conference @ SOP, Homebush

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