



Parramatters

Parramatta High School Newsletter
FAX MENTIS INCENDIUM GLORIAE

“The torch of the mind lights the path of glory”

Our vision is to provide a holistic 21st century education which develops resilient individuals who are active and informed citizens, empowered to think critically and creatively, within an environment that values diversity, equity and resilience.

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Principal's Report



Dear Parent / Carers

Last newsletter for the term!!!

Last day for Year 12, 2019!!

PHS has farewelled Year 12, 2019 for the last time this week. Thursday saw Year 12 graduate, receive awards and certificates/medals to mark

the end of an era in their schooling life. Some students were nervous, some excited and others felt sad and reflective about leaving the safe environment PHS has provided.

A large group of proud parents and relatives attended and the snap of cameras abounded along with bouquets of flowers. Thursday night was the formal at Curzon Hall which was a night of glitter, fun and tears! The night was a great success, mainly due to the incredible efforts of Ms Heron. The Year 12 Adviser whose attention to detail showed her strong affection and ties to her year group.

Year 12, 2019 have now left and are preparing to complete the HSC and start a new chapter in their lives.

We wish them well!!



Ms. D. Splatt

CALENDAR 2019

TERM 4

Week 1

Monday 14th October

Tuesday 15th October
Emakers & coding Workshops
Extra curricular Dance
Maths enrichment
Celebrating the Arts

Wednesday 16th October

Thursday 17th October

Code kids Workshops

Friday 18th October
Extra curricular dance

Week 2

Monday 21st October
Extra curricular dance
ICAS English

Tuesday 22nd October
Emakers & coding Workshops
Extra curricular Dance
Maths Enrichment Club
HSC Music - HALL

Wednesday 23rd October
ICAS English

Thursday 24th October
Code kids workshops
MARKET DAY

Friday 25th October
Extra Curricular dance



MARKET DAY

As a new teacher at Parramatta High School, I did not know what Market Day would be like, but as I stood in the centre of the quad and looked around, I knew that this day was going to be fun, chaotic, messy, sweet and exciting. As the bell rang, tables started to be set up, icing began to be piped and panic started to set in. The stalls included, Sponge the Teacher, Bangin' Brownies, Snac Shaq plus many more stalls filled with cupcakes, chocolate, doughnuts, thiccshakes, Indian food, drinks and chocolate. By the end of recess, several stalls had already sold out as students underestimated their popularity whilst others were left to question how they could clean up and prepare for lunch. As lunch came, the remaining stalls quickly sold out with the Manoush Brothers selling out for a second time. By the end of the day, Year 9 Commerce students realised just how hard it is to run a business even with the satisfaction of making profit evident on their tired faces. The students raised an amazing **\$3300** for R U OK? Organisation.

“The stalls were very well organised, great customer service...should have been more savoury foods” – Shree, Year 12.

“The waffles were great, almost as good as the ones you buy in the store” – Adriana, Year 10.

“Market Day is the closest experience in high school in running a business. It shows the hardships and advantages... and gives an idea for people who want to do it in the future” – Nithooshan, Year 9 Commerce.

“The rushed environment of Market Day prepared students for the future” – Haider, Year 9 Commerce.



DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD



The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award
...challenge yourself in the real world



There is a parent/student information meeting in the school library on Wednesday 16th October from 5.30 – 7pm. This is for students who are currently in Year 9 & 10.



Stress Buster

Nutrition & Wellness Workshop

Students develop skills in nutrition, wellness, stress management and mindfulness before learning to create nutritious no bake study break snacks.

DATE
Monday 30 September or
Wednesday 9 October

TIME
11.00am to 12.30pm

LOCATION
Parramatta Library

AGE
14 to 18 years

Registrations
www.cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au/library/events

CITY OF PARRAMATTA LIBRARIES the **Y**

Run by library staff and the Y youth workers.

MUSIC News

New School Song Arrangement

Stage Band, Junior Choir and Chamber Choir combined on stage at the formal school assembly in the hall on 4 September to perform the new arrangement of The School Song of Parramatta High School. Mr Wesley Stormer, who improved the arrangement to more adequately suit the ability of the current performers, presented a copy to Ms Splatt and conducted the item. We thank Mr Stormer for the improvements he made.



The performance can be viewed at this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TfRywRE49hI&feature=youtu.be>

At the same assembly, Stage Band also performed *Creep* by Radiohead/Post Modern Juke Box. Sarah McGuire (lead vocalist) also performed this piece as one of her Performance Electives for her HSC Music Performance exam.

Year 12 Graduation Ceremony

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Year 12 Elective Music Class: *Never Gonna Give You Up* - Rick Astley

Year 12 Functions, Farewells & Formalities.

