



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 Parents / Carers

It continues to be good to be back, doing face to face teaching and assisting our students as best we can. The students have been amazing, making a great start back and getting engaged with the learning. I hope parents are relieved to have had three weeks,

thus far, of sending their children off to school and having a well deserved break from assisting students with on line learning !!!

Year 12, 2021 have been doing well in the beginning of their HSC exams, coping with the slightly different arrangements for a COVID safe HSC. I saw the group on Friday and they continue to look calm and relaxed as they get ready for week two of their exams. We wish them well and thank them for their hardwork under difficult circumstances.

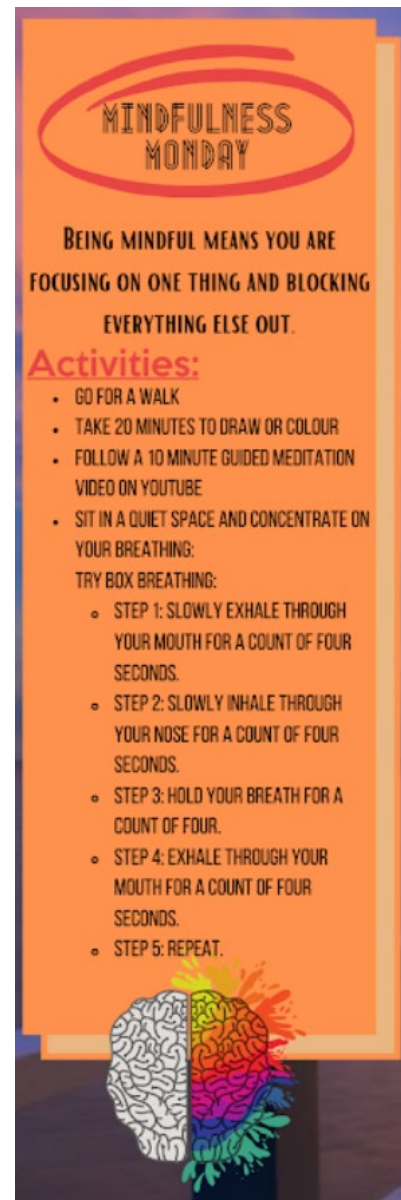
Also, I remind Year 12 and their families that their Graduation and Formal will be on Wednesday 1 December 2021. Graduation will be in our school hall and limited to two family members (must be fully vaccinated and able to show proof of this). The Formal will be around 6:00pm at Curzon Hall – please wear masks.

Thank you to all families for supporting Parramatta High School.

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Principal

Wellbeing

We may not be learning from home now but the same wellbeing tips and advice are still as useful as then. Take a moment for yourself this Monday



CAPA

Music

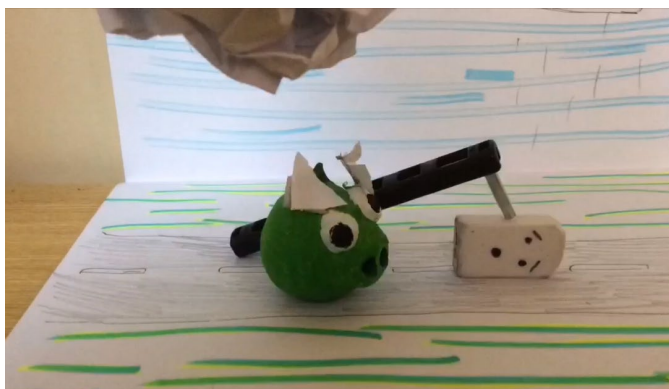
Year 8 Music

Learning from home meant that Year 8 Music had to take a different direction this year. Instead of spending Terms 3 and 4 playing guitar, students have been using computers to create electronic music. Year 8 students have made the best of this situation to create some outstanding work. Please enjoy this example of one of many brilliant compositions, created by Tanya Harrison in 8 Music D.

>>>Click [HERE](#)<<<

Drama News

Stage 5 Elective Drama are studying filmmaking and have produced their own stop motion films to practice scriptwriting, creating storyboards, filming and editing. Click the link to see some of their creations.



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SPORT



**WESTERN SYDNEY
ACADEMY OF SPORT**

**ARE YOU A DEDICATED
ATHLETE LOOKING TO
TRY ROWING IN
WESTERN SYDNEY?**

Nominations for the 2022 Rowing
Program open 1 Nov and close 19 Dec.
To nominate head to
www.nepeanrowingclub.com.au/junior-talent-identification.html





ROWING PROGRAM NOMINATIONS

Click >>>[HERE](#)<<< for more details

CAREERS

Access JobJump (www.jobjump.com.au) [PASSWORD: parra] for all the latest news on all things tertiary and career related coming up in the next few months.

This week's Careers News Bulletin is

>>>[HERE](#)<<<

...and...

>>>[HERE](#)<<< is this week's Career's News Bulletin related to all your HSC subjects



Year 12 Key Dates 2021

OPTION	DATE	DETAILS
EARLY ENTRY	28 Nov	University of Western Sydney True Reward application deadline
HSC	3 Dec	HSC written examinations finish
EAS	17 Dec	Closing date for EAS applications
ATARs	20 Jan	ATARs released
EAS	20 Jan	EAS: Eligibility letters released
UAC APPLICATIONS	21 Jan	Deadline to change preferences for January Round offers
HSC	24 Jan	HSC results released
UAC APPLICATIONS	26 Jan	January Round offers released
EAS	4 Feb	EAS: Closing date for EAS applications
HSC		HSC important dates for practical and performance examinations



CALENDAR 2021

TERM 4

Week 7-8

ICAS Science 15-16 & 23 November

Weeks 8-10

Check-in Assessments Yrs7-9

Week 9

Yr12 Graduation & Formal 1 December

Week 9

3rd Elective Project Day

Week 10

Yr10 Activity Week

Week 11

3rd Elective Digital Showcase

LITERACY & NUMERACY



15 – 21 November 2021
Years 7 - 9 Students

What is the 2021 November Numeracy Challenge?

The 2021 November Numeracy Challenge is a fun, free and fantastic online maths competition for all schools around the world!

1 week to earn Live Mathletics points

Students can earn points for your school by playing Live Mathletics during the event. Students can play against their class peers, students across the whole school, or even students in other parts of the world.



All students in Years 7-9 have access to **Mathletics NOW** and will continue to have free access until the end of the challenge.

Use your login details from Term 3 or see your Maths teacher for help.

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS AND STUDENTS

Numeracy Practice Available NOW
in Education Perfect

All PHS students have been assigned a task through Education Perfect that will allow repeated practice of a wide range of numeracy skills. Numeracy is an essential component across all school subjects and year levels. Regular practice will lead to an improvement in numeracy knowledge and skills and create highly numerate students.

Check-in assessment for Years 7-9

Dear parents and carers,
Years 7-9 students will participate in a reading and numeracy Check-in assessment. The Check-in assessment is a NSW Department of Education online reading and numeracy assessment available to support schools to assess and monitor student learning. The assessments can supplement existing school practices to identify how students are performing and to help teachers tailor their teaching more specifically to student needs.

- The assessment will be scheduled for our Year 7 students during Term 4 Weeks 8-9
- The assessment will be scheduled for our Year 8 students during Term 4 Weeks 9-10
- The assessment will be scheduled for our Year 9 students during Term 4 Weeks 9-10

Students with disability may receive the same level of support during the assessment that they would normally receive in the classroom. Students will be asked to bring headphones or earbuds that plug into a computer to enable them to hear audio during the assessment. Earbuds used for mobile phones or other portable devices may be suitable for use during the assessment. The type of computer connection needed is a jack or USB. If your child needs headphones, the school will be able to provide them.

Visit the new PHS Literacy and Numeracy Site

to find games, puzzles and riddles...

Click on this image
to take you there

Partly Painted Cube

Jo made a cube from some smaller cubes.

She painted some of the faces of the large cube, and then took it apart again.

She counted her cubes and noticed that 45 cubes had no paint on them at all.

Can you work out how many small cubes Jo used to make her large cube, and which faces she painted?



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DROP EVERYTHING AND READ!

YEAR 7-10 ROLL CALL TERM 4

Bring a reading book every day

LIBRARY NEWS



REMEMBERING REMBRANCE DAY: November 11, 2021. **Lest We Forget**

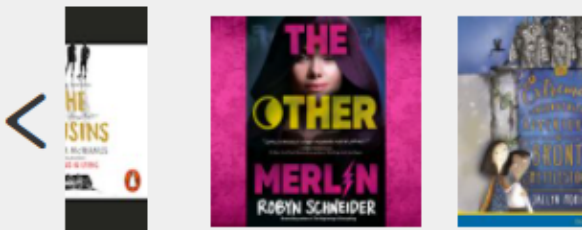
Remembrance Day acknowledges our veterans who paid the ultimate sacrifice and to our current service men and women, so that we enjoy peace and prosperity as a nation today



OLIVER

Have you explored the helpful links on our OLIVER [News page](#)? Click any of these images to find **Research Support**, **Subject Support**, and other **Library News Resources!** (More items will progressively be added in the future)

New resources



Check out all the latest resources in the library.

If you find something you like in the list, you can make a res Library link in portal. No need to come to the library anymo

RESEARCH

Links you will find useful

[World Book eBooks](#) [Wheelers Audiobooks](#)
[World Book Online](#)
[Fact Monster](#)
[ABC Splash](#)
[Trove and State Library NSW](#)
[Australian Museum](#)
[Clickview](#)
[Research Skills](#)
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[Scootle](#)
[Kidsnews](#)
[Open Textbook Library](#)
[HSC Hub and NSW Hub](#)
[7news.com.au](#)

SUBJECTS

HSC

[What is the ATAR? and do i need one?](#)
[Stay Healthy during the HSC](#)
[Guide for HSC students: Past Exams & Study Guides](#)
[NESA past HSC exam papers](#)
[Stage 6 Syllabus A-Z](#)
[How the State Library helps me with my HSC.](#)

PDHPE

[PDHPE Drug and Alcohol Information](#)
[HSC PDHPE GUIDE.](#) - a comprehensive guide to PDHPE sub links to relevant websites

CAPA

[CAPA HSC GUIDE.](#) a comprehensive support guide to Music, Drama