



Parramatters

Parramatta High School Newsletter
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“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.

ISSUE 8

TERM 2, 28TH MAY 2021

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL REPORT

Dear Parent / Carers

As covid restrictions have been relaxed, we have been able to move back to a degree of normalcy with some school activities, though we are still required to ensure these events are run in a covid safe manner. Last week we ran our Senior Parent Teacher evening and it ran very smoothly. Thank you to all parents who attended for their co-operation and we trust that you received valuable feedback about your children. Thanks also to our teachers and Mr Hammoud for his organisation of the event. Year 7-10 reports are currently being written and will be distributed in the last week of term. Junior parent teacher interviews will be held over 2 days in week 1 and week 2 of Term 2 and you will be receiving information about booking before the end of term.

The process for Year 11 2022 Subject selection has also begun. Students have received information from our Careers Advisor Ms Ibrahim and also have been spoken to about their options for next year and the best way to go about the process. Lots of resources have been made available and it was good to see so many parents at our Parent Information Evening this week. The subject selection process for our Year 9's 2022 will also begin shortly and parents will be kept informed about this.

Also, this week we held our Athletics Carnival. It was lovely Autumn day at Wyatt Park Auburn with some great performance put in by our students. Thanks to all students and staff for

their efforts and special thanks to Ms Yikilmaz and Mr Morson for their organisation of the day. I look forward to some excellent results at the Zone Carnival as well.

Andrew Gokel
Deputy Principal
Parramatta HS

CALENDAR 2021

TERM 2

Week 9

Year 7 Picnic Day – June 16
Zone Athletics Carnival – June 18

Week 10

Junior Reports Distributed



Respect, Responsibility & Honesty

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ONLINE ENROLMENT PROJECT

We are excited to announce we will be rolling out the new Online Enrolment System from Monday 7 June 2021

The Online Enrolment System is designed to provide flexibility for our parents to submit an enrolment application online and at the time that best suits you. The application can be accessed on all browsers and mobile devices including iOS and Android.

The online application process is currently restricted to:

- Enrolments into **local** schools only
- Children who are Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens or permanent residents
- Children who live in NSW.

We offer our support and encourage you to complete your application to enrol online. If, however, you do not feel comfortable completing an application online, a paper copy will be available for collection from the front office or can be downloaded from the Department's [going to a public school site. Enrolment \(nsw.gov.au\)](#). Further information about online enrolment can be found on our website [here. Online enrolment \(nsw.gov.au\)](#)

YEAR 7 AWARDS

Achievement Awards for Year 7 students who have been working hard in class.





Student of the Month:

Michelle Zhang

For being an active, positive and cooperative member of the class and always being courteous to everyone.

CAPA

School Musical 2022

The CAPA faculty are excited to announce that Parramatta High School will be putting on *The Sound of Music* in early Term 2 next year. This is the first time that PHS has put on a musical in over 30 years! All students are invited to express their interest in participating. Places are available for lead roles, chorus members and production crew.

For more information, and to submit an expression interest, please see the Google Form that has been posted on your year

group's Google Classroom, or click here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe_eF0SBxCsllhTYMTJp24ivOgpyjXD9a_DuAX7xui6lhi7yTw/viewform?usp=sf_link

This term Year 7 Visual Arts students are creating vibrant Fauvist landscape paintings. They have studied artists like André Derain, and are currently sketching their landscapes. Year 8 meanwhile are making clay sculptures in a Gothic gargoyles style. Here are some sculptures that are nearly completed, and will soon be fired in the kiln and glazed. We look forward to showing you their fantastic finished artworks very soon!

Ms K Giblin



Year 11 Visual Arts students have been working on their Still Life Painting task, where they were required to render a still-life image. After many hours spent developing their skills in both drawing and painting, these talented students were able to choose an image to paint and demonstrate their skills. I would like to congratulate Year 11 for their dedication to their work. Many students in the class are new to Visual Arts and their perseverance and diligence are admirable.



The following images are a sample of the amazing work these inspirational artists have created.

CAREERS

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Year 10 are currently undergoing the 'subject selection' process and at Parramatta high, we make sure it is very thorough so that we hope students are happy with their final decisions as to what subjects they should take for year 11 and 12.

Last Friday, they were given a talk by me and then completed a workbook, taking them right to the beginning of choosing subjects, looking at interests and abilities first.

Mr Hammoud took them through the online subject selection application to complete that day.

On Tuesday, they then attended the Subject careers market, where all faculties were represented and students were all to ask subject-specific questions. I was there as well to answer any questions re UAC, ATAR, Prerequisites and Recommended studies. The students seemed to embrace the opportunity. Parents had the opportunity to hear from Mr Gokel all things UAC and the process of subject selection. I provided some written information for those parents whose children may want to do a TAFE course next year on top of their school subjects. This is called EVET.

Year 10 will now be given a mentor teacher to further discuss their final decisions. They will also be able to talk to Uni, TAFE and Private providers at the career's expo in a few weeks. Excursions will be happening as usual, with the UNSW Girls in Maths day happening on June 10th. Also, an excursion to AGVISION- a fantastic day at the Sydney Showground, about Careers in Agriculture has been offered to interested students.

Year 12 enjoyed a lunch time Q&A With representatives from Macquarie University – many students took advantage of this event.

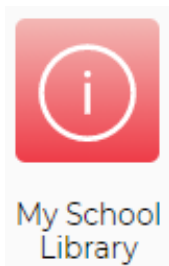
Year 10 and 12 careers expos coming up last two days of term.
UTS will talk to Year 12 on 16th June.

Mrs M Ibrahim

LIBRARY NEWS



The My School Library database OLIVER is available from both the staff and student portals. Links to online educational and research resources are available.



Links you will find useful:

[World Book eBooks](#)

[Wheeler's Audiobooks](#)

[World Book Online](#)

[Fact Monster](#)

[ABC Splash](#)

[Trove](#)

[State Library NSW](#)

[Australian Museum](#)

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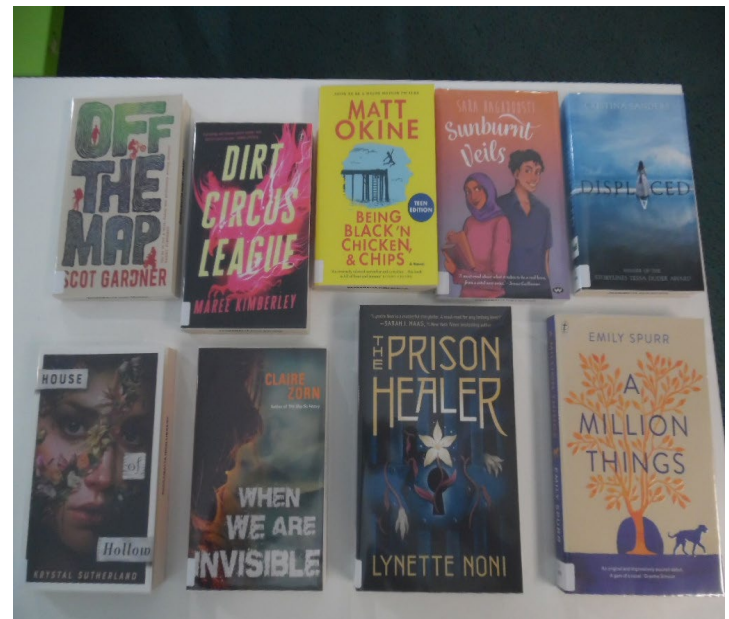
[Open Textbook Library](#)

[HSC Hub](#) and [NSW Hub](#)

[Znews.com.au](#) (7 news linked site)

Come down to the library and borrow one of these great new books!

Why not write your own personal book review in OLIVER and give it a star rating! Merit Awards will be provided for detailed book reviews :)



Have you changed your mobile phone number or email address?

If the answer is yes, have you contacted the school to update your contact details?

If you have moved or changed phone numbers please contact Parramatta High School on:

Telephone: 02 9635 8644

Email: parramatta-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Sydney Thunder Leadership Program

Parramatta High School and Sydney Thunder is committed to developing and empowering the next generation of young leaders across Western Sydney.

The Thunder Leadership Program is delivered to students at secondary schools across the Thunder Nation and features a combination of sport sessions and theory workshops focusing on team work, leadership, decision making and problem solving.

The program aims to inspire young leaders and help them develop a sense of self-confidence and community connection.

Congratulations to the following students for completing the program

Chris Kougiou

Jonah Yildirim

Mona Ghanbari

Yasemin Onus

Yasmin Hasani

Anu Saraogi

Scott Benyon

Liam Donoghue

Manraj Sohal

Reyaj Sharestha

Mohammad Hadid

SENIOR STUDIES

The City of Parramatta Libraries in conjunction with the Bored of Studies will be presenting Maths and Science seminars for Year 11 & Year 12 students during the school holidays. (see attached documents)

Chemistry Preliminary Year 11

Parramatta Library

Tuesday 6 July | 1.15pm to 2.45pm

Bored of Studies will cover stoichiometry as well as its importance in HSC Chemistry and exam-style questions. Year 11 content will be used to highlight how different questions on the same theory can require different responses.

Book now!

<http://parra.city/chemistry11>



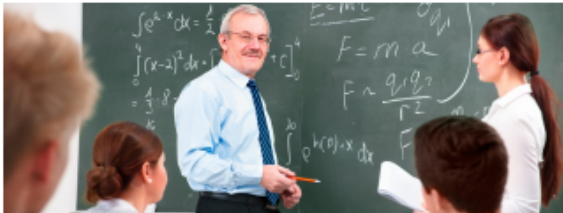
Mathematics

Advanced/Ext 1

Preliminary -Year 11

Paramatta Library

Tuesday 6 July | 3.00pm to 4.30pm



Bored of Studies is hosting a seminar which will help you better understand the key concepts of probability and random variables.

Book now

<http://parra.city/maths11>



HSC Chemistry -Year 12

Parramatta Library

Tuesday 6 July | 9.30am to 11.00am

Bored of Studies is hosting a seminar that will discuss how different questions on the same theory can require very different responses to attain full marks.

Register now
to gain confidence
in approaching
questions
in your trial exam!



<http://parra.city/hscchemistry21>



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