



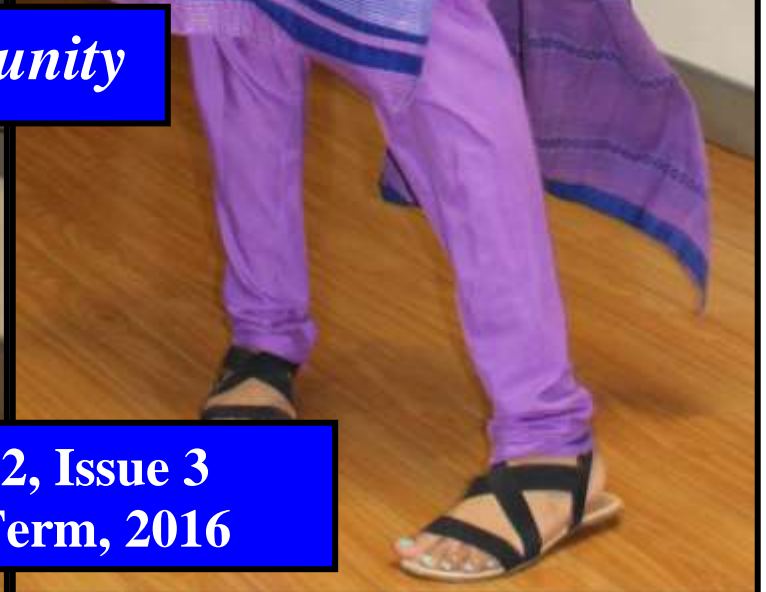
# Macquarie Grammar School

## *March Bluey Monthly*

*'Truth and Virtue'*



### *Harmony Day*



### *A Caring United Community*

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### Autumn Term

ANZAC Day	Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> April
Professional Development Day	Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> April
Classes resume for Years 7 to 12	Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> April
ANZAC Commemorative Assembly, 8.45am	Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> April
ISD Touch Rugby Championships	Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> May
Parent-Teacher Interviews 4:00 – 7:00pm	Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> May
ISD Touch Football Championships	Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> May
Years 11 and 12 Japanese Sushi Class 1.30pm	Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> May
Theatre Sports Challenge, Senior Team 4:00pm	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> May
NAPLAN Language Conventions, Yrs 7 & 9	Tue 10 <sup>th</sup> May
NAPLAN Reading, Yrs 7 & 9	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> May
MGS Cross Country 10:00am – 12:00pm	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> May
NAPLAN Numeracy, Yrs 7 & 9	Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> May
Parents and Friends' Meeting 6:00 – 7:00pm	Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> May
ISD Cross Country, Centennial Park	Wed 18 <sup>th</sup> May
Girls Do Maths, Uni NSW	Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> May
Biennale Excursion, Yrs 7 – 12 Cockatoo Island	Tue 24 <sup>th</sup> May
Vaccinations for Year 7	Mon 30 <sup>th</sup> May
ICAS Science Competition 7 – 12	Tue 31 <sup>st</sup> May
MGS Athletics Carnival, Yrs 7 – 12	Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
Careers Expo Yrs 10 – 12, Moore Park	Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> June
Mathematics Extension 1 & 2, Sydney Uni	Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> June
Concludes for Years 7 to 12	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> July
Professional Development Day	Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> July

### Winter Term

Commences for Years 7 to 12	Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> July
Concludes for Years 7 to 12	Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept
School Office Hours (During Term)	8:30am 5:00pm
School Office Hours (During Term Breaks)	9:00am–5:00pm
Uniform Ordering Hours	9.00am- 5:00pm

### House Points

BRADMAN	FRASER	FREEMAN	THORPE
404	393	420	175

**Congratulations to House Champions, Freeman House!!!**

### Motivational Quote

*Failure will never overtake me if my determination to succeed is strong enough.*  
OgMandino

### Message from the Headmaster

Summer Term was busy and productive for all our students and staff have been meticulous in organizing a variety of excursions and activities for the students. This has led to a number of memorable experiences and the learning environment has been most stimulating and interesting. Chinese New Year and Harmony Day are just two examples where our students were exposed to experiences that were educationally rewarding and socially inclusive. The students have engaged in the activities with enthusiasm and have been initiators in most cases. The various excursions that took place were complementary to classroom learning and led in many cases to intellectual discussion and a diversity of views. This is what Macquarie Grammar School is about and will continue to be, in the terms ahead.

I would like to thank the staff for all their good work and to the students for their commitment and dedication to their studies, and for their great respect for their school. I wish everyone all the very best for the holiday break and look forward to your safe return for the challenges that Autumn Term will bring.

### Parent/Guardian – Teacher Interviews

On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May the School will hold Parent/Guardian – Teacher Interviews 4:00 to 7:00pm. I encourage all parents/guardians to attend and to book in advance an interview with all their child's teachers. To bring out the very best in your child it needs parents/guardians, teachers and students to work together as a unified group. This evening is a great opportunity for us to establish a good rapport and to open up the lines of communication. The teaching staff and I look forward to seeing you on the night.

### Awards Assembly

The term concluded with an Awards Assembly. This gave the staff the opportunity to acknowledge the good work done by a number of students across the curriculum and it was wonderful to see them receiving their awards and in turn the respect shown by the students in the audience. Congratulations to all the recipients and I encourage everyone to work towards being an awardee at the end of Autumn Term. Below are the awardees:

### The Academic Champion for Each Year Group

Year 7	Raphael Kesor
Year 8	Joshua Patea



<b>Year 9</b>	Leighton Burns
<b>Year 10</b>	Rosalind Malolo
<b>Year 11</b>	Laura Rose
<b>Year 12</b>	Deirdre Cheung



*Above: Raphael Kesor Year 7 and Leighton Burns Year 9 Academic winners*



*Above: Laura Rose Year 11 Academic Winner*

#### ***Junior Student for Summer Term***

Raphael Kesor

#### ***Senior Student For Summer Term***

Laura Rose

#### ***Sports Boy For Summer Term***

James Paterson Year 11

#### ***Sports Girl For Summer Term***

Jayfel Lee Year 10

### ***National Harmony Day***

#### ***'Our Strength is Our Diversity'***

On Tuesday, 29th of March, Macquarie Grammar School celebrated Harmony Day. The day was intended to show cohesion and inclusion in Australia and promote a tolerant and culturally diverse society. As our school is very multicultural and diverse, Harmony Day was a great opportunity for us to celebrate and recognise the many cultures that make up our school community.

As all the students and teaching staff at our school come from different cultural backgrounds, celebrating Harmony Day allowed us all to respect, appreciate and celebrate a sense of belonging for everyone. The day created an opportunity to think, talk about and recognise how our differences make Australia a great place to live. This day was also an opportunity for us to express a strong and inclusive welcome to our international students and to embrace our unique identities.

On Harmony Day we came together as a school to celebrate our cultural diversity. With the help of MrsCawood, Mr Green and the SRC, we brought our school community together through food, music and a very entertaining fashion show, parading the many cultural dresses of our staff and students. As embarrassing as it might of seemed and felt at first by the people who dressed up on the day, we all slowly began to feel comfortable and with pride. Even

though we all looked different, we all felt the same and most importantly, we felt that we all belonged.

Throughout the day, the students and staff engaged in various different activities to celebrate Harmony Day. We were also very lucky to have with us the Indonesian Angklung (a musical instrument from Indonesia that was made from two to four bamboo tubes attached to a bamboo frame) Group to perform for our students and staff.

The day was a great success. It was filled with laughter, excitement and enjoyment. The Student Representative Council was able to raise nearly \$100 just by selling orange ribbons on the day. To conclude our Harmony Day celebrations, all the students created a collaborative artwork with multi-coloured handprints on a blank canvas, illustrating how our strength is our diversity and that everybody belongs. As the celebration of our first Harmony Day at Macquarie Grammar School was a great success, we hope to celebrate this marvelous day annually to celebrate cultural diversity and that everybody belongs!

*TarinKhondurkar (11) SRC*

### ***Communication App***

This is a reminder that the school now has a new communication tool that it uses to deceminate information to parents and guardians quickly and efficiently directly to their mobile phone. The newsletter and any notes that are distributed to parents are accessed through this App.

Please download the App from the Apple Store or Google Play site and you won't miss out on any information that's distributed to parents.

### ***Smartphone School Communication App – Skoolbag***



Skoolbag is a mobile App for Macquarie Grammar School to communicate directly to parents, staff and students.

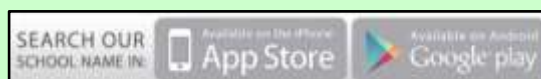
How to Install the Macquarie GrammarSkoolbagApp on your smartphone:

#### ***iPhone Users***

Simply search for "Macquarie Grammar School" in the App Store on your phone and install. After the App is installed on your phone, make sure that you select "OK" to allow push notifications.

#### ***Android Users***

Simply search for "Macquarie Grammar School" in Google Play on your phone and install.



## School Uniform

In the February Bluey I mentioned that Midford was working towards fulfilling all our uniform requirements by the end of March. I have been assured that the supplier now has all items in stock for parents/guardians to buy. I suggest that students have two of everything except off course the blazer, jumper and tie. You can now order online through the Midford portal [www.midford.com.au/Order-Online/](http://www.midford.com.au/Order-Online/). The item can be delivered to school for pick up once electronic payment is made. This is a wonderful system and has worked brilliantly throughout this Summer Term.

I apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused.

## Message from Mr Hagan

What a term we've had with so many fantastic events and learning experiences packed into a complete term. I was especially proud of the students we celebrated at the Awards Ceremony. This is a vitally important event that recognises all of the best work that we have done over the term and of course who will be awarded the coveted Student of the Term. It was an event where our Headmaster spoke so proudly and wisely about the school and its function vision and purpose where we celebrated the best of the best. Congratulations to all of those involved in a highly successful Awards Ceremony and it was an excellent conclusion to the term.

It has been my observation that our students have been living up to what is said each and every day in every lesson and at every assembly. This is of course to value and cherish our individuality. As the saying goes, 'diversity is our strength'. I have seen so many friendly acts and students displaying exactly what is at the core of our values, we do remember where we have come from and we do remember that we are all very special people whom are valued and cared for, here at Macquarie Grammar School. This was highlighted most recently by the celebration of diversity on Harmony Day. Mr Green and his team organised a terrific day of celebration of cultural diversity. It was a day where all our students joined as one to celebrate our various cultures that make MGS.

I would like to extend my congratulations to our Headmaster who has "survived" his first term at Macquarie Grammar School. I think I can speak on behalf of all the staff at MGS in saying that he has made an excellent start in leading MGS to a new stage of development. We look forward to his wisdom and experience in handling schools and celebrating our future at MGS under his guidance and leadership.

As Summer Term concludes I would like to acknowledge the huge efforts of the teaching and admin staff over the term, it was indeed a stressful term with many changes and we all made the adjustments and the required effort to make the term a highly successful one.

As is usual I always make it a point to encourage all of us to be the very best that we can be. It is a rule of success that a person who tries to be the best they can be, for as long as they can be, for as often they can be, is a recipe for success. I encourage all of you to try this simple rule when living your daily lives, as you will benefit from the effort made. It is of course so important to remind all of you to be safe over the holidays and have a great holiday returning fresh and prepared for Autumn Term (Term 2).

*Put Love in your hearts.*

*Mr Hagan*

*Director of Curriculum and Compliance*

## Curriculum Matters ArtExpress 2016 Visit

Year 12 Visual Arts students visited the NSW Art Gallery to view exemplary artworks created by students for the 2015 Higher School Certificate Examination in Visual Arts. They were inspired and delighted by the outstanding work of their peers.







*Mrs Cawood  
Visual Arts Teacher*

### **Message from Mrs Sun**

A Headmaster of a successful school understands the strengths and needs of their students, and is aware of what is happening in the classroom. Our Headmaster plays an active role in planning and supporting instruction that is appropriate for our students, and ensures that school time and resources are focused on student achievement.



Whatever challenges we face, great headmaster's don't make excuses for why their schools can't succeed. Instead our Headmaster makes it his priority to figure out how our school can continue to excel, and is doing everything that he can to make that happen with our on-going support.

For a school to be successful, the administration, teachers, parents, students and support staff must work as a team. The Headmaster, the Director of Curriculum and Compliance Mr Hagan and I as the Director of Welfare and Operations work closely together with all staff to make the school a welcoming place for all our students. A great school community is one where students feel safe and know they will be treated fairly. It is our job to create that positive atmosphere where children can learn. In his first term at Macquarie Grammar School, the Headmaster has been concerned about our international students' in particular their attendance and homestay arrangements. At the conclusion of this term all the teaching staff will be

visiting our international students' homestay houses to ensure their living environment is meeting Australia standards.

Although it meant the Headmaster had to work during his recess and lunch breaks, he met personally with the parents and the students. He believes by working with the parents, students and staff he can create a safe learning community for our MGS families. He has outlined his expectations to the students and has managed to display his true concern for them as individuals. We look forward to working with him throughout the year.

The term ended with an Awards Assembly and a number of students received well-deserved awards.



The National Young Leaders award present to Judy Lu (12), Hayden Clift (9), Alex Chen (12), Farah Esse (11), Mia Steward (10) and Tarin Khondukar (11).

Also Ellie Kim (11) received the Best Dressed National Costume Award on Harmony Day. She was dressed in lean clothing.



### **Background Speakers**



**Excursion** On March Mrs Sun Masuret accompanied the Year 12 Chinese Background Speakers on an excursion and tried the best area.

of our HSC Chinese Background Speakers Creative Text Study which is, "The City Without" and a wonderful one (1) hour excursion in the city exploring and discussing this text.



*Mrs Sun  
Director of Welfare and  
Operation*

### **Years 11 and 12 Japanese Classes Cooking Mochi dishes**

As a part of their study of the Japanese language, the students have to learn about Japanese culture, which includes traditional food. This time, we decided to cook some dishes with 'mochi', which is the Japanese rice cake.



We cooked three dishes, 'Zouni', 'Shiruko' and 'Kinakomochi'. Zouni is a soup dish with mochi and vegetables (and chicken or fish), and the soup and toppings vary from region to region. Shiruko is mochi in sweet red bean soup, and Kinakomochi is mochi covered with sweet soybean powder.

Our students enjoyed the dishes so much that they have already been asking for some more cooking lessons, probably sushi next time.



*Mr Alexandru and the students enjoying Japanese food*

### **Year 12 Japanese class: Ikebana**

The Year 12 Japanese class has produced an ikebana, the Japanese-style flower arrangement, as a part of their cultural study. Ikebana is a kind of art and it requires specific knowledge and technique. We were not very knowledgeable or skilled, but we tried our best to make it look beautiful.



*Mrs Yamashita  
Japanese Teacher*

## **English as a Second Language**

### **Other ways to say**

ACTIVATE  
YOUR  
ENGLISH

## **On the other hand**

However,  
**Otherwise,**  
*On the flip side,*  
**Alternatively,**  
In any case,  
**That said,**  
*That being said,*  
**Nonetheless,**

Nevertheless,  
**Having said that,**  
*All the same,*  
**At any rate,**  
On the contrary,  
**Whereas,**  
*Then again,*  
**In contrast,**

### **Mathematics Faculty**

Seems like yesterday was the first day of school and yet another term has gone. As the calendar page turned to April, I started doing the usual end of term clean-up and found a couple of posters claiming 'Economics Is Where the Money Is' and 'Do Mathematics and You Can Do Anything'.

The juxtaposition of these messages perhaps signals a need to revisit cross-curricular teaching in education in a similar manner to society's review of multiculturalism in our National and International communities. It also reminded me of an old question: Where Does Mathematics Belong?

Teachers may have become increasingly comfortable with, and committed to, literacy across the curriculum; recognising the value of the symbiotic relationship. Have students too? George Polya, the greatest problem solver of the twentieth century, said that not only do we have to use our heads to do mathematics, but we need to do mathematics to learn to use our heads. To what extent do students recognise mathematics in their learning area? To answer this we should be looking a little further than everyday mathematics and numeracy as a requisite of our request to students to "Turn to page 24"! Some students may well be thinking that all that algebra stuff is not for them. Gattegno captured the heart of the issue when he said 'Abstraction makes life easy, makes it possible'. Language is conveniently vague so that the word car, for example, could cover all cars, not just one. Algebra is an attribute, a fundamental power of the mind.



Whenever you have quantification, measurement, pattern identification and extrapolation, the idea of distribution and



error, you have mathematics. Appreciation of number, algebraic reasoning, geometric thinking, statistical literacy and probabilistic understanding underpin all fields of endeavour and thus learning areas.

Year 12 students have now already started their campaign towards the HSC in October and again some excelled themselves in their attempt to raise their standards in Maths and that will definitely be reflected in their final results. We wish them well in this most important year. The annual event Talented Students Day will give our top senior students the opportunity to participate in a very rewarding experience along with likeminded students from other schools. It is a challenging and intellectually stimulating occasion for students who are exposed to areas of mathematics, which they may not have met previously.

Autumn Term (Term 2) will find our Years 7 and 9 students sitting the NAPLAN test in May and the assessment results will provide valuable information and assist the school in planning and will be used to support our teaching and learning programs. Once again, we expect the results to confirm students' achievements in numeracy and place our school again well above the state average.

Also, for those bright students who are really passionate about Maths we will continue to challenge them and get them ready for the two major competitions held in August: AMC and ICAS Mathematics. The questions will be provided via Edmodo in our internal competition "Matemagicians Corner". The Schools' Sharemarket Game had its first round this year starting in March and some of our Year 9 students Hayden, Leighton and Nick were very active and enjoyed taking some profits. Leighton also participated in Computational and Algorithmic Thinking 2016 Competition, which gave him the opportunity to demonstrate his computer programming potential.

I hope everyone will have a safe and relaxing holiday.

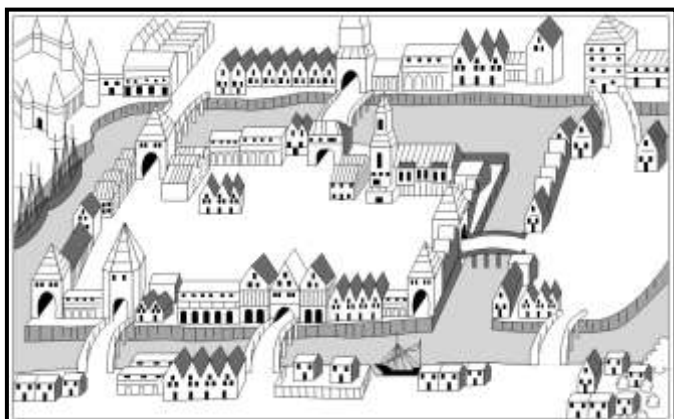
Here is a puzzle to enjoy over the holydays:

*What is the probability of having at least two students with the same birthday (day and month, not year) in a class of 20? What is the minimum number of students in the group needed to have a fifty-fifty chance of having at least two students with the same birthday?*

Here is another question for our junior students:

The Prussian city of Königsberg had seven bridges. The people of the city wondered if it was possible to walk across all seven bridges without crossing any bridge more than once.

Use the map below to solve their problem. Explain your answer.



• Euler's solution of this problem was the origin of network theory.

*Mr Alexandru  
Mathematics Teacher*

## Sport

### ISD Touch Rugby Championships

**Date:** Wednesday 4/05/2016

**Venue:** Reservoir Fields Centennial Park

**Time:** 8:00am – 3:00 pm

Games will commence at 8:30 am sharp



### Individual House Champions

Summer Term was a very tight race between many of the students for the honour of being crowned House Champion, so was the race for the victorious House. This is a true indication that all students worked extremely hard throughout the term and that the standard of work completed is exemplary practice.

The overall House points from each individual student was tallied along with all of the sporting and extracurricular results. It was a great privilege to announce the House Champion along with all of the individual recipients from each year group at the Awards Assembly. The students that received certificates for being the Individual House Champions for their year group were the following:

- |                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| • Raphael Kesor (7)    | Bradman House (G) |
| • Joshua Pantea (8)    | Freeman House (R) |
| • Leighton Burns (9)   | Frazer House (Y)  |
| • Rosalind Malolo (10) | Bradman House (G) |
| • Mia Steward (10)     | Thorpe House (B)  |
| • Laura Rose           | Bradman House (G) |
| • Deirdre Cheung       | Freeman House (R) |

### Freeman House Champions for Summer Term

Overall points table:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Freeman House	420 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bradman House	404 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Frazer House	393 points
4 <sup>th</sup>	Thorpe House	175 points

Congratulations to every student on a wonderful term, extra congratulations to each of the year champions and Freeman House.



## Thursday School Sport Autumn Term (2)

Sports choices for term 2 have been selected by students and now finalised. The options that students have selected will not be permitted to be changed for the term at this late stage.

Students are required to wear the correct sports uniform including their tracksuit, as we lead into the cooler weather, this autumn. For the students' convenience they may wear correct sports uniform all day on Thursday or change into their sports uniform at the commencement of sport.

**Variations of the school sports uniform should not be worn to school or sport.**

The school sport options are the following:

### **Basketball** *Mr Green*

Located: Prince Alfred Park

Transport: Train from Town Hall to Central Station, a valid Opal Card is required for transport.

### **Brazilian Jujitsu** *Mr Manaay*

Located: PCYC Woolloomooloo

Transport: Walk to PCYC Woolloomooloo

### **Tennis** *Ms Cai*

Located: Centennial Parklands, Moore Park

Transport: Bus from St James Station to Anzac Parade, Moore Park. A valid Opal Card is required for transport.

### **Badminton:** *Mrs Yamashita*

Located: Sydney University

Transport: Bus from Castlereagh Street to Sydney University, a valid Opal Card is required for transport

### **European Handball:** *Mr Valenti*

Located: Prince Alfred Park

Transport: Train Town Hall to Central Station, a valid Opal Card is required for transport.

A detailed newsletter will be issued to all students and parents/guardians at the start of Autumn Term (2). No doubt it will be an exciting term of sport with two new options available for students. The Brazilian Jujitsu is managed by a professional instructor who will teach students the art of self-defence in a safe and controlled environment.

Tennis option also has a qualified instructor, teaching students how to play the skilful game. Macquarie Grammar School sport is a wonderful opportunity for all students to learn new skills, socialise, improve fitness levels and encourage students to participate in lifelong physical activity.

## **House and Sports Captains for 2016**

Year 11 and 12 students had the opportunity to apply for the House Captaincy role and the Year 10 students the Sports Captain role for each House.

Each of the potential candidates presented to their fellow house's highlighting why they would make a great leader and what initiatives they would implement if given the opportunity.

The house members voted and the new House Captains and Sports Captains for 2016 are the following.

Freeman House	House Captain	Deirdre Cheung
	Sports Captains	Campbell Payne Joshua Pantea
Thorpe House	House Captain	James Paterson
	Sports Captains	Tarin Kondukar Mia Steward
Bradman House	House Captain	Laura Rose
	Sports Captains	Rosalind Malolo Jayfel Lee
Frazer House	House Captain	Eden Gorton
	Sports Captains	Coco Bui Ellie Kim



*Campbell Payne Sports Captain of Freeman House*

A big congratulations to the above students who will all be working closely with Mr Green assisting with the sports programs and carnivals and the House system.

## **Looking forward to Autumn Term (2) Sport Events**

We have an action packed term with loads of sporting events pencilled in the diary.

### **ISD TOUCH RUGBY CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**When:** Wednesday the 4<sup>th</sup> of May, week 2  
**Where:** Centennial Parklands, Reservoir Park  
**Who:** Open boys and open girls' team  
**Time:** 8:00AM- 3:00PM  
**Training:** Friday 2-3PM

### **ISD SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**When:** Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> of May, week 2  
**Where:** Parade Grounds, Centennial Park  
**Who:** Open boys and open girls' team  
**Time:** 8:00AM- 3:00PM  
**Training:** Friday 2:00PM-3:00PM

### **MGS CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL**

**When:** Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> of May, week 3  
**Where:** Domain Park, City  
**Who:** Whole School  
**Time:** 10:00AM- 12:00PM

### **ISD CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL**

**When:** Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> of May, week 4  
**Where:** Ash Paddock Course Centennial Parklands  
**Who:** Team selected from MGS Cross Country  
**Time:** 9:00AM-3:00PM

### **MGS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**

**When:** Monday 6<sup>th</sup> of June, week 7  
**Where:** ES Marks Athletics Track  
**Who:** Whole School  
**Time:** 9:00AM-3:00PM  
**Training:** Friday- 2:00PM-3:00PM

### **MGS SWIMMING CARNIVAL**

**When:** Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> of June, week 9  
**Where:** Ian Thorpe Aquatic Centre  
**Who:** Whole School  
**Time:** 9:00AM-3:00PM



## Macquarie Grammar School

225 Clarence Street, Sydney

26th April 2016

Dear Parents / Guardians and Students

The sport choices for Term 2 are listed below. Students have already made their selections and the note below must be completed and returned by Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> of April.

Students are required to wear correct sports uniform. For the students convenience they may wear correct sports uniform all day on Wednesday or change into their sports uniform at the commencement of sport.  
**Variations to the school sports uniform should not be worn to school or sport.**

Students **MUST** bring the cost of their sport within an enclosed envelope with their name and sport option written on the front of the envelope along with the detached permission slip.

Students are required to attend sport each week. Appointments made during sport should be discouraged. Truancy and unexplained absences during sport will jeopardise students' attainment of school certificates.

### SPORT CHOICES

Sport/Venue	Cost	Requirements (Uniform & Transport)	Code
Basketball	/	Sports Uniform- Valid Opal Card- Train from Town Hall to Central Station -Prince Alfred Park	101
European Handball	/	Sports Uniform – Valid Opal Card- Train from Town Hall to Central Station -Prince Alfred Park	102
Tennis	\$100	Sports Uniform- Valid Opal Card- Bus from St James Station to Moore Park Centennial Parklands Tennis	103
Brazilian Jujitsu- Self Defense	\$120	Sports Uniform – Walk to PCYC Woolloomooloo	104
Badminton	\$50	Sports Uniform – Valid Opal Card –Bus from Castlereagh Street to Sydney University	105

You must remain in your chosen sport group.

**NO CHANGES WILL BE MADE**  
**YOU MUST FOLLOW TEACHERS DIRECTIONS WHEN WALKING, TRAVELING ON THE BUS /TRAIN AND WHILE AT SPORT**  
**PAYMENT FOR SCHOOL SPORT MUST BE MADE BY THE DUE DATE**

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**Detach and return to Mr. Green on the 28<sup>th</sup> of April.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Roll: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sports Choice: Code**

I give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the above sport choice. I understand that my child must either catch the bus/train or walk with their teacher to the sport they have selected.

Signed Parent / Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Shane Green  
Sports Organisers

Mr Rekouniotis  
Headmaster

Have a lovely half term break, looking forward to term two.

*Mr Green PDHPE and Head of Sport.*

### Macquarie Grammar Ski Trip 2016

A wonderful opportunity is available for all students to attend the ski trip.

**Departure Date:** Sunday Evening 31/07/2016

**Return Date:** Wed. Evening the 3<sup>rd</sup> of August

**Accommodation:** Station Ski Station Jindabyne.

**Cost:** \$820

**Deposit:** \$300 non-refundable deposit is required by Mon. 21<sup>st</sup> of March.

### What's included?

- 1 Three nights accommodation at Jindabyne Station Ski Resort
- 2 Return trip coach hire and driver
- 3 Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
- 4 Three day ski hire  
(includes jacket/pants and ski/snowboard)
- 5 Three day lift hire
- 6 National Park transfers
- 7 Three day lessons



*Mr Green PDHPE and Head of Sport.*



### Chess Club

Interest has been growing on Friday afternoon clubs with Macquarie Grammar beginning trial games for the upcoming school chess championship in Term 2. Students Jaydon Park and James Huang featured as keen chess players. The game has become a highly popular hobby during lunchtime around the school.

*Mr Valenti  
Chess/English Teacher*

### THEATRE SPORTS!

It's Autumn Term(2), which means it's time for Theatre Sports! What are theatre sports?! Theatre Sports are theatre based games that students compete in with other schools. Using improvisation (no script) the students are provided with a topic and a game structure and have ten seconds to think of a performance before they perform to a live audience. The outcome is usually very funny! MGS will be having two teams in the interschool theatre sports competition competing against some of the state's top schools. The heats begin in May and if we make it into the semi- finals- will continue towards the end of the term. All parents and friends are invited to come along and attend the evenings for a good laugh. Here are the details:

#### Intermediate Division (Years 9 and 10):

**What:** Interschool Theatre Sports Challenge!  
**When:** Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 4pm for students and Mr.Keene. 7pm for parents and friends. The evening will run to approx. 9pm.  
**Where:** Scots College, Victoria Rd, Bellevue Hill  
**How much:** \$5 for students and \$10 for adults (paid at the door). Competing students are FREE!

#### Senior Division (Years 11 and 12):

**What:** Interschool Theatre Sports Challenge!  
**When:** Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 4pm for students and Mr.Keene. 7pm for parents and friends. The evening will run to approx. 9pm.  
**Where:** The Scots College, Victoria Rd, Bellevue Hill.  
**How much:** \$5 for students and \$10 for adults (paid at the door). Competing students are FREE!

Both divisions will experience a 100 minute theatre sports workshop with the theatre sports professionals on the night- this will occur at 4pm before the audience arrives. All students who are involved will be notified with a letter home to parents. Theatre Sports nights will absolutely guarantee a sore mouth from too much laughing- all students and friends are welcome to come along and cheer on MGS!!

AUDITIONS WILL BE HELD IN SCHOOL WEEK 1, AUTUMN TERM (2).

Please contact Mr. Keene for more information.

*Mr Keene  
English/Drama Teacher*

## CAREERS

### UTS 2017 Course Guides

UTS has released digital course guides for its 2017 undergraduate courses. Hard copies can also be requested. <http://www.uts.edu.au/future-students/undergraduate/essential-information/uts-courses/course-guides>

### USA University Standardized Test Requirements - new SAT and ACT explained

Students interested in studying in University in the USA and supporting career advisers are encouraged to read our article outlining the new SAT and the ACT standardized tests which are used for admission purposes to most US universities.

<http://www.internationallyeducated.com.au/#!learn/cfp>  
Contact us for assistance if you are considering studying in the US. [www.internationallyeducated.com.au](http://www.internationallyeducated.com.au) 02 8006 9737

### University of Notre Dame

Young Achievers Early Offer Programme - Applications opened mid-March. There are four categories students can apply in, commitment to community and/or Church, commitment and excellence in cultural pursuits, commitment and excellence in sporting achievements and academic excellence. For any further questions email: [sydney@nd.edu.au](mailto:sydney@nd.edu.au) <http://www.nd.edu.au/nav-future-students/young-achievers-early-offer-program>

### Macquarie in a Day

21st April 2016, 8:30am to 3pm, Macquarie Theatre, Macquarie University. The day offers students a chance to choose which classes they are interested in attending, experience practical sessions and tutorials and ask staff and students about university life. <http://www.mq.edu.au/about/events/view/macquarie-in-a-day-2/>

### University of Sydney HSC Preparation Courses

The courses run at various times throughout the year. There are preparation courses for biology, chemistry, economics, exam preparation, legal studies, music, visual arts, business, design and technology, English, history, mathematics and physics. Dates for specific courses can be found by following the below link. <https://cce.sydney.edu.au/courses/education/hsc>

### UMAT 2016

Registrations Open Soon for all student interested in medicine, dentistry and health science degree programmes at undergraduate. Registrations for UMAT 2016 open early December 2015 and close Fri 3rd June 2016. The test takes

place nationally on Wed 27th July 2016. UMAT is a test that is used specifically to assist with the selection of students into the medicine, dentistry and health science degree programmes at undergraduate level at the universities listed on the website. <http://umat.acer.edu.au/>

### CADETSHIPS IN BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY:

#### Business Cadetships Programme

Opens on 7 March and applications close 11 May. Run by Professional Cadetships Australia. Year 12 students apply online at [www.businesscadetships.com.au](http://www.businesscadetships.com.au)

#### Engineering & Technology Cadetships (ETCAD) Programme

Opens on 26 April and applications close 17 June. Run by Professional Cadetships Australia. The 2016 Programme provides Year 12 students with the opportunity to apply for a Technology Cadetship at Westpac. On completion of their cadetship, Technology Cadets are well-placed to pursue a career in IT and in business. (This year Rolls-Royce will not be offering Engineering Cadetships). Information on the ETCAD Programme may be found at [www.etcad.com.au](http://www.etcad.com.au)

### UNIVERSITY:

#### University of Sydney

##### New in 2017 Bachelor of Pharmacy and Management

The Faculty of Pharmacy will introduce a new five-year Bachelor of Pharmacy and Management degree. This innovative course provides students with a unique combination of pharmacy as well as business knowledge and skills. More information on <http://sydney.edu.au/courses/bachelor-of-pharmacy-and-management/>

#### UNSW

**Built Environment Student Workshops:** UNSW Built Environment invites high school students to campus for these special one day workshops.

- Computation Design – Tuesday, 15 March
- Industrial Design – Thursday, 17 March
- Interior Architecture – Thursday, 17 March
- Architecture – Wednesday, 23 March

More information and how to register available in the calendar on [whatson.unsw.edu.au](http://whatson.unsw.edu.au)

#### UNSW

**Law Admission Test Information:** Admission to Undergraduate Law at UNSW is changing. For entry in 2017 and beyond, we are broadening our assessment of applicants for entry to our Undergraduate Law Dual Degree programmes. We are introducing a new test, the Law Admission Test or 'LAT', to give students the opportunity to demonstrate their suitability for the Law programme and allow us to better assess applicants. A student's LAT result, together with their ATAR (or equivalent), will provide us with a more rounded view of their aptitudes and skills for our Law programme. <https://www.futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/law-admission-test-lat-information-evening>

#### University of Western Sydney

**The Academy Scholarships:** Excel in your studies and contribute to your community and you may receive: VC Leadership Scholarship, \$10 000 per year. Dean's Scholarship and Academic Excellence Scholarship, \$5 000 per year. <http://www.theacademy.edu.au/scholarships>

#### University of Western Sydney College



**Foundation and Diploma:** Foundation Studies allow guaranteed entry to an undergraduate degree at the University of Western Sydney. An ATAR is not required for entry. From Foundation Studies students can enter the first year of an undergraduate degree or complete a Diploma, which allows them entry into the second year of an undergraduate degree.

[https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/thecollege/courses\\_and\\_pathways/foundation\\_studies](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/thecollege/courses_and_pathways/foundation_studies)

#### **Notre Dame: Business – Law – Arts Symposium**

21st June 2016, 10am to 2pm, 104 Broadway, Chippendale. Registrations are now open for the Business – Law – Arts Symposium, the event is for students in Years 11 and 12. The day will provide information on different career opportunities available through degrees in Business, Law and Arts as well as curriculum support for students and teachers and allow students to hear from academic staff on current issues. <http://www.nd.edu.au/events/2016/business-law-arts-symposium>

#### **CQUniversity Sydney: Bachelor of Science (Chiropractic)**

There is a great demand for qualified and registered chiropractors. This career delivers work-life balance, travel and self-employment opportunities. Students at our CBD campus learn from an award winning faculty using the best available facilities. <https://www.cqu.edu.au/courses-and-programs/study-areas/health/undergraduate/bachelor-of-science-chiropractic>

#### **Bond University**

**Medical Programme:** Comprises two sequential degrees - The Bachelor of Medical Studies (BMedSt) and the Doctor of Medicine (MD). It is designed to equip graduates with the knowledge, skills and attributes that a doctor requires to effectively practise medicine in today's complex health care environment. <https://bond.edu.au/program/medical-program>

#### **Bond University**

**Medical Programme:** Bond's Medical Programme is comprised of two sequential degrees - the Bachelor of Medical Studies (BMedSt) and the Doctor of Medicine (MD). All students selected for entry into the Medical Programme will have to complete both the BMedSt and MD to be eligible for registration as a medical practitioner in any state or territory in Australia or New Zealand. Both degrees are awarded at the completion of Year 5. <https://bond.edu.au/program/medical-program>

#### **Guaranteed pathways into UOW**

UOW College offers 28 week courses that can guarantee students entry into the first or second year of a range of UOW undergraduate degrees (subject to meeting UOW entry requirements). For information visit <http://www.uowcollege.edu.au/pathway/index.html>

#### **UNSW Engineering**

**Through engineers' eyes: engineering mechanics by experiment, analysis and design:** 18th April 2016, 12pm. This free online course will provide information on the techniques of engineering mechanics as well as using the theory to interpret experiment and designs. The course consists of four hours per week over a seven week period. <https://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/all-events/free-online-course-through-engineers-eyes-engineering-mechanics-by-experiment-analysis>

#### **UMAT 2016**

UMAT is a test that is used specifically to assist with the selection of students into the medicine, dentistry and health science degree programmes at undergraduate level at the universities listed on the website. Registrations for UMAT 2016 are now open and close 5:00pm (AEST) 3rd June 2016. The test takes place nationally on Wed 27th July 2016. <https://umat.acer.edu.au/>

#### **GENERAL:**

##### **US Standardised Test New Requirements**

New requirements for the SAT and ACT for students interested in university in the US. <http://www.internationallyeducated.com.au/#!learn/cfpx>

##### **Subject Bonus Points at ACU**

Up to five bonus points offered if you do well in relevant HSC subjects to your chosen degree. [http://www.acu.edu.au/study\\_at\\_acu/alternative\\_entry/access\\_acu](http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/alternative_entry/access_acu)

##### **Diploma of Aviation**

**13th July 2016**

The course is divided into four pathways, with the next intake for pathway 1 starting on the 13th of July. The four pathways are for different levels of flyers, with the option for beginners, those with private licences and commercial licences holders to complete the course. [http://www.sfcaero.com.au/fly\\_for\\_career.a5w%20#Pathways](http://www.sfcaero.com.au/fly_for_career.a5w%20#Pathways)

##### **Sydney TAFE Degrees**

Sydney TAFE offers Bachelor and Associate Degrees in a range of subject areas including accounting, applied finance, applied management and property valuation. These degrees provide the opportunity to gain skills, real world experience, to study on your terms and the opportunity to make connections. <http://sydneytafe.edu.au/courses/higher-education>

##### **All About UAC for Student Advisers**

This resource provides information on how to explain the ATAR, applying through UAC, HSC subject choice and Offers. <http://www.uac.edu.au/documents/publications/All-about-UAC-advisers.pdf>

##### **National Institute of Education: Simulated UMAT Day Workshop**

- 22nd May 2016, UNSW Kensington Campus
- 14th July 2016, UNSW Kensington Campus
- 5th March 2016, Canberra Grammar School
- 16th July 2016, Canberra Grammar School

The workshops cover every section of the UMAT test and also the styles of questions. Registrations are now open. <http://nie.edu.au/simulated-umat-day-workshop>

##### **TSFX Free HSC Survival Guide**

The School for Excellence (TSFX) have put together a 36 page guide to help Year 12 students achieve the best possible marks in end of school exams. The guide has advice about goal setting, managing stress and procrastination, time management skills, effective learning techniques, planning study timetables and more. Download it here: <http://www.tsfx.com.au/hsc-survival-guide-edge-teachers>

##### **TSFX Mastering the Exams**

June 2016, University of Sydney. The programme is for Year 11 and 12 students with information on skills and strategies that can be used during exam periods.  
<http://www.tsfx.com.au/category-hsc-program/exam-strategy-lectures/>

*Mr. Adamovich  
 Careers Advisor*

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