# **TORONTO HIGH SCHOOL** *"Ship to Shore"*



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**NEXT P&C MEETING** 

Tuesday 28 July 2015 Commencing at 6.00pm

in the School Library

All Welcome!



#### **Upcoming Events**

<u>Term 3</u> 27 July – 7 Aug HSC Trial Exams

**27 July** HSC Trial Dance & Drama Bill Turner Cup Final

**31 July** Yr s 9 & 10 ISTEM Science Challenge

**5 Aug** Yr 8 Science – Sydney Excursion

**6 Aug** Yr 11 Electric Bike Test

*10 Aug* Lawn Bowls Final

**11 Aug** Science – Bridge Building Comp TLC Education Week Awards

*13 Aug* "James Adams" HSIE Excursion Yr 11 Electric Bike Race

**19 Aug** NAIDOC Day

**23 Aug** Yr 12 Legal Studies Lecture Day

**25 Aug** Hunter Trials Boys Tennis

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## Principal's Report

Mark McConville

#### **GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS!**

**Abigail McGovern** from Year 11 has just been accepted into Armidale University full time, enrolling in a Biomedical Science degree.





Abigail completed external testing and was identified as a talented student and was offered a fulltime placement at University even though she is currently in Year 11. Abigail has now left Toronto High School and has commenced at Armidale University.

This is quite an achievement for a young person, especially in Year 11, and the school is immensely proud of her.

#### **Open Boys Rugby League**

Last Thursday our Open Boys Rugby League team travelled to Kingscliffe in Northern NSW to play Kingscliffe HS, as part of the final 16 teams in the State. I hear the boys had a hard fought battle and were victorious with a 22-20 win over Kingscliffe HS. This means THS is now in the **top 8 teams in the state** in the University Shield NSW CHS KO Competition, and progress to the quarter finals to be played in Sydney in the near future.

This is a fantastic achievement by our students and their coaches Mr Chapman, Mr Richards and Assistant Coach Mr Smith. I would also like to thank the many parents who made the trip to Kingscliffe to support the team.





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#### MIKAELA BELL (Year 10)

Mikaela has been selected by the Rotary District 9670 to participate in the National Youth Science Forum in Canberra. This is quite an honour to be selected by Rotary. We look forward to hearing all about it when she returns.



#### <u>FLYNN FITTLER (Year 7) – Team Captain, Australian Futsal Team</u>

A follow up from our last newsletter, Flynn was recently selected as part of the Australian Futsal Team. The team did amazingly well, being runners up in the tour final and winning the Malaysian League Cup Tour.

A highlight for Flynn was to be selected as the *Team Captain* in the final. Well done Flynn!!

#### RUBY GREIG (Year 7) – NSW State Champion – School Aerobics

Ruby won a Gold Medal in the School Aerobics State championships held at Sutherland recently. She competed in the Secondary Orange section, performed exceedingly well and placed first, making her the NSW State Champion.

Ruby will now compete at the National School Aerobics Championships on 14 August at the Gold Coast Convention Centre. Good luck Ruby!!!



#### ABBY ROOKER (Year 7) - FISAF

Abby recently competed at FISAF (Federation of International Sport, Aerobics, and Fitness) in the Cadet Pairs section with her partner Ruby Greig.

The duo placed 7<sup>th</sup> which was an amazing effort considering it was their first major competition together. Well done girls!

#### State CHS Cross Country

Toronto HS had four outstanding athletes representating the school at the State CHS Cross Country in Eastern Creek recently - Kathleen Young, Anika Butler, Tyrell Paulsen, and Luke Young. All athletes were very competitive and placed well amongst the most elite athletes from throughout the state.

Luke Young did exceptionally well placing first in his age group and was selected in the NSW Allschools Team to compete at the nationals in Melbourne on 28 August.















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#### Caitlin Chalmers (Year 8)

Caitlin was invited by the Hunter Primary Schools Sport Assn to attend the PSSA Netball Championships in Tamworth recently in the official capacity of Umpire. The championships were over a 4 day period and Caitlin thoroughly enjoyed the experience. This is truly an honour, especially for someone so young, and is a testament to the high regard the association has in Caitlin abilities. Well done Caitlin!



Bandlink was a two day workshop held at the Newcastle Jockey Club last week, where musicians from over 15 different schools participated and received quality instrumental coaching and ensemble experience, working with well qualified conductors and tutors.

Sophie was invited to be part of Bandlink this year in the capacity of tutor. This is truly an honour for her to participate in this capacity and demonstrates the commitment and dedication she has to her own craft – playing the clarinet. Congratulations Sophie!

#### Futsal U/16yrs Boys – Runners Up

Under the expert coaching of Mr Pauley our Under 16yrs boys placed *second* in Hunter Central Coast Champions Tournament recently. All reports are that it was a very close game of 3-2 to Merewether, with the boys playing very well.

Well done to the team - Jon Ridgeon, Blake Arthur, Luke Callen, Preston Cunningham, Brady McRitchie, Kurtis McRitchie, and Ryan Kirby.

There are so many great things that our students are doing, both in school and out of school. If your child has achieved something notable outside of school – please feel free to inform us – it is always great to know what our students are up to!!

#### Mr Morgan is Leaving.....

Mr Morgan has been appointed the Acting Principal at Lake Macquarie High School. Mr Morgan will be spending the rest of Term 3 in that position and then returning to Toronto High School for the beginning of Term 4. I would like to congratulate Mr Morgan on his appointment. It demonstrates the high regard in which he is held.

#### **Parent Teacher Interviews**

Thank you to all those parents who attended our Parent Teacher Night. These nights are very important as they allow parents and teachers to discuss student progress and to highlight the achievements and any areas of concern.

If you were unable to attend the Parent Teacher Night and would like to meet with your child's teachers, please contact the school to arrange an appointment time.

#### **Teacher Cadetship - Chantelle Sanki**

We are pleased to welcome Chantel Sanki who has accepted a Teacher Training Cadetship at Toronto High which is part of a new scheme offered by the Dept. of Education for 'areas of need'. Chantels' cadetship is for 4 years, and she will be part of the Maths Faculty 2 days per week - Monday & Friday at this time.





**GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS** 



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#### School Bus

The school is in the process of purchasing a 22 seater bus with a wheelchair lift at the rear of the bus. The funds have been specifically raised over 4 to 5 years with previous Support Unit Head Teacher, Linden Butler, being the instigator of this community supported project.

This purchase would also not have been possible without the kindness and generosity of our local community -The Lions & Lioness Clubs, Toronto Workers Club, Toronto RSL Club & Rotary Sunrise of Toronto, for which we thank them.

Our next mission is to raise funds not only to have the bus re-sprayed and have our Toronto High School logo displayed, but also to build appropriate garaging facilities.

#### Thank you "Chuck Duck"

THS operates a Breakfast Club each Monday morning for needy students where they can have a great start to the day by coming and having a bite to eat before classes.

We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful community around us here at Toronto High who are supporting our Breakfast Club through Chuck Duck, which is a non-profit social justice organisation. Chuck Duck has organised the supplies for our Breakfast Club saving Toronto High School thousands of dollars.

This community support is very much appreciated, and without it the Breakfast Club would not operate.

#### SDD – Michael Crossland

The first day of Terms 1, 2 & 3 of each school year are designated Staff Development Days and this term was no different. On Monday 13 July 2015 Toronto High School played host (as well as participated in), to a combined Staff Development conference with members of our local Toronto Learning Community – our local partner primary schools.

With well over 150 teachers in attendance, the day was filled with information sessions and workshops as well as networking opportunities where teachers could meet and discuss different ideas. The main focus of the day was improving students' literacy outcomes.

We also had the pleasure of listening to a very informative and inspirational guest speaker in Mr Michael Crossland.

Michael as you may be aware had his life story "Field of Dreams" documented on Australian Story and the ABC TV, when his message touched the hearts of a nation with his story of how he overcame seemingly insurmountable obstacles to achieve success in both his personal and professional life. We certainly enjoyed having Michael here which was evident with not a dry eye to be seen.





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#### Student Assistance

Parents experiencing financial difficulty in meeting school expenses including subject specific fees and uniforms are invited to confidentially contact me to discuss the process. A limited amount of funds is supplied by the Government for needy families to assist with educational expenses. I encourage parents to seek this assistance.



#### Deputy Principal's Report – Yrs 7, 9 & 11

Greg Morgan

#### <u>Exams</u>

We have now started Semester 2 with Year 12 commencing their Trial HSC Exams in Week 3 this term. This is an important as well as a stressful time for both students and parents. The Trial Exams should highlight strengths and weaknesses allowing students to focus their future

study directions. The school is able to further support Year 12 with counselling from their Year Advisor, Mentors, Head Teachers and School Counsellors as required. It is vital to keep Year 12 working steadily so please ensure that your child has a study program in place and if they don't please contact the Year Advisor, Mr Richards.

Also please note that Mr Connell is our Careers Advisor and he is always up for a chat about future career paths. Please phone the school and make an appointment.

#### <u>Uniform</u>

This is a good time to remind all students about the School uniform policy which is full school uniform. The school is more than willing to aid any student with uniform problems and we operate a swap and go system to ensure students wear school jackets/jumpers and shirts. All staff have commented on the much improved appearance of our students and this has spilled over to improved behaviours in the classroom. Uniform gives students a sense of pride in the school as well as being a valuable safety system allowing staff to readily identify intruders by their attire.

Please ensure that your child has a correct school jumper for the cold weather we are currently experiencing.

#### Subjects 2016

Year 10 students have now selected their Year 11 subjects for 2016. Each student has been interviewed by staff to aid this process. Certain subjects do have a fee associated with them and this will need to be paid before the end of Term 1 2016. Year 8 have also selected their two elective subjects for 2016 and again certain subjects have a similar fee structure with the same requirements. Elective subject fees are compulsory and there are many non-fee elective subjects to choose from if the fees are an issue.

#### **Class Changes**

In Years 7 to 10 there will be student class changes based on the Half Yearly Exam results and Semester One assessments. The class changes are minimal and if your child is involved and you have any concerns about any changes, please contact the relevant Year Advisor for an interview to discuss this matter. The class changes should be finalised Week 3 this term.

#### Senior Years

Finally this is the term where our current Year 12 finish with formal ceremonial graduation in the last week of term. Year 11 graduates into the HSC course starting Term 4 this year. It's all happening and if you have any concerns please contact the DP Mr Andrew Pesle.



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#### Deputy Principal's Report – Yrs 8, 10 & 12

Andrew Pesle



#### YEAR 12 TRIAL HSC EXAMINATIONS

We wish our Year 12 all the best for their Trial HSC Examinations which will take place in Week 3 & 4 this term. These exams are a good practice run for the real HSC exams in October as they are structured in a similar format and cover most of the content of the HSC Courses.

Students are reminded that if they miss an exam due to illness or misadventure, they need to have appropriate documentation, such as a medical certificate, in order to support their appeal form. The illness and misadventure process can be accessed in our Assessment Policy which is located on our website.

The Trial HSC Timetable is attached for your information.

#### NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS

Our NAIDOC Celebrations have been moved back to **Wednesday August 19** as a result of a few clashes with other school events (HSC Dance practical exams).

The school's NAIDOC Team have been working hard in preparation for the day which will include a BBQ for all students, a whole school NAIDOC Assembly and plenty of traditional Aboriginal cultural activities on display across the school.

#### **ASSESSMENT SCHEDULES**

The latest schedule for upcoming assessments for Term 3, has been provided to inform students and parents as to when assessment tasks are scheduled to be held for students. For your information –

- These schedules are subject to change as at times it is necessary to amend times, add new tasks etc.
- All students will receive at least two weeks written notification prior to any assessment task being due.
- Please review the Toronto High School Assessment Policy on the school website for more information relating to assessment.

Please contact the school should you have any enquiries.

Key School Contacts								
<u>DEPUTY PRINCIPALS</u>		Year 7 Advisor	Mr Moore					
Years 7, 9 & 11	Mr Morgan	Year 8 Advisor	Mrs Jenkins					
Years 8, 10 & 12	Mr Pesle	Year 9 Advisor	Mrs Chapman					
<u>HEAD TEACHERS</u>		Year 10 Advisor	Mrs Willott					
English	Mr Carlson	Year 11 Advisor	Mr Muxlow					
Mathematics	Mrs Coates	Year 12 Advisor	Mr Richards					
Science	Mr Raso							
CAPA	Mrs Allanson	Boys Advisor	Mr Pauley					
HSIE	Mrs Philipson	Girls Advisor	Mrs Fotheringham					
PDHPE	Mrs Gromek	ARCO/ADCO	Mrs Fotheringham &					
TAS	Mr Chapman		Mrs Hodges					
Support Unit	Mrs Milson-Black	Student Support Officer	Miss Smith					
Student Services	Ms Wilson-Babic	Careers Advisor	Mr Connell					



#### Years 7-11 Assessment Schedule TERM 3

*Assessments date.	s have been extracted @ 20.7.15 & are subject to change – please see your teacher for enquiries.
	atics – Class Topic Tests throughout the term
Music –	Performance on Guitar or Drums, Digital Composition and Listening Assessment is Ongoing
through	out the term
Year 8 Mathem	atics – Class Topic Tests throughout the term
Visual A	rts – Artwork 2 – Mask/Mandala/Faces including Critical Study, Poster & Presentation
Week 2	Year 10 Food Technology – Food for Special Occasions Research & Practical Task
Week starting	Year 10 Science – Practical task
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 11 Biology – Research Task (25%)
	Year 11 Engineering Studies – Report (20%)
	Year 11 PDHPE – Survey (15%)
Week 3	Year 9 Food Technology – Food for Special Needs Research & Practical Task
Week starting	<b>Year 10</b> Dance – Element of Time Dance Composition – Ongoing throughout the term
27 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 11 Senior Science – Practical Task (25%)
Week 4	Year 7 Humanities Assessment Task 2 – Book Cover
Week starting	Year 9 Science – Practical task
3 <sup>rd</sup> August	Year 11 Chemistry – Field Work Practical Investigation (25%)
	Year 11 Earth & Environmental Science – Research Task (25%)
	Year 11 Geography – Senior Geography Project (30%)
	Year 11 Physics – Field Work / Practical Investigation (25%)
	Year 11 Exploring Early Childhood – Practical (30%)
Week 5	Year 8 Humanities – Public Speaking Assessment Task
Week starting	Year 9 PDHPE Digital Assessment Task
10 <sup>th</sup> August	Year 10 Aboriginal Studies – Research Task & Oral Presentation
	<ul> <li>Year 10 History – Assessment Task 4 – Class Test</li> <li>Year 11 Business Studies – Business Research Task (30%)</li> </ul>
	Year 11 CAFS – Study on Family Structure & Community Acceptance (20%)
	Year 11 Photography – Research Task (10%)
	<b>Year 11</b> Metal & Engineering – Practical Project (40%)
	<b>Year 11</b> Industrial Technology Timber & Electronics – Project & Folio (40%)
Week 6	Year 8 Science – Practical Task
Week starting	Year 9 History – Source Analysis on Australia to 1914 & WW1
17 <sup>th</sup> August	Year 10 PASS – Sports Coaching Assessment Task
5	Year 11 Dance – Solo Composition (20%)
	Year 11 SLR – Sports Coaching (20%)
Week 7	Year 7 PDHPE Assessment Task
Week starting	Year 8 PDHPE Assessment Task
24 <sup>th</sup> August	Year 9 Physical Activity & Sports Studies – Sporting Identity Research Task
	Year 9 Music – Australian Music Listening Task
	Year 10 PDHPE Assessment Task
	Year 10 Music – Listening Task & Performance
	Year 10 History – Assessment Task 5 – Poster
	Year 11 Visual Arts – Research Task (10%)
Week 8	Year 7 Science Practical task 25%
Week starting	Year 9 Commerce – Investing – 'Stock Market Game' Assessment Task
31 <sup>st</sup> August	Year 9 Music – Performance Task
	Year 10 Commerce – Travel Assessment Task
March 0	Year 10 Geography – Research/Writing Assessment Task
Week 9	Year 9 Mathematics Assignment
Week starting 7 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 9 History – Research Task on Australia between the World Wars
i september	Year 10 English Assessment Task 3 - Shakespeare Year 10 Mathematics assignment
	Year 10 PDHPE Assessment Task
	Year 11 Preliminary Examinations
Week 10	Year 9 English Assessment Task 3 – Essay
Week starting	Year 9 Visual Arts – Lino Print
14 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 10 Photography – Individual Project
	Year 11 Preliminary Examinations
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#### TORONTO HIGH SCHOOL YEAR 12 TRIAL HSC EXAMINATIONS - 2015 MONDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> July – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August

#### **STUDENT EXPECTATIONS / RULES**

#### **1. EXAMINATION CENTRE**

- Most examinations will be conducted in the MULTI PURPOSE CENTRE
- Special Provisions exams will be conducted in the LIBRARY.
- Please refer to the timetable for specific room and time information.

#### 2. SCHOOL UNIFORM

**MUST** be worn to each examination. Failure to wear full school uniform may result in the candidate being refused entry to the Examination Centre.

#### **3. ATTENDANCE VOUCHERS / IDENTIFICATION CARDS**

- Student Examination Cards will be placed on each desk in alphabetical order in class groups.
- These will be collected and marked against the class rolls to determine students whom are absent.

#### 4. EXAMINATION DATES AND TIMES

Students are required to complete each examination at the *time specified on the Examination Timetable* unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Such circumstances should be notified to the Deputy Principal for consideration and decision. Where possible, this should occur **before** the examination.

#### **5. NON EXAMINATION TIME**

- Students only attend school on the days and times of their timetabled examinations.
- Students should use the time between examinations wisely.

#### 6. ABSENCES FROM EXAMINATIONS

Failure to attend examinations will be notified to the Faculty Head Teacher. As this examination for Year 12 is part of a candidate's assessment for the HSC course, it is extremely important to attend and complete papers at the time and on the dates set down.

Absence from examination/s requires candidates to complete and submit a *Medical Certificate, Illness/Misadventure Form or Statutory Declaration* signed by Parent(s)/Caregiver(s).

#### 7. EXAMINATION STARTING TIMES

Students should be outside the Examination Centre at least **15 minutes before the commencement** of each examination.

#### 8. EXAMINATION CENTRE RULES

- Candidates will be admitted to the Examination Centre 15 minutes before the commencement of each examination.
- Candidates' bags and study materials are to be left inside the Examination Centre, or as directed.

Candidates should take **only** writing materials or equipment necessary for a particular paper to the examination desk.

- Mobile phones are prohibited in the Examination Centre, and must be switched off and left in the students' bag.
- All talk in the Examination Centre is to cease before examination papers are commenced.
- Examination papers are not to be opened until the Examination Centre Supervisor gives a direction to do so.
- □ No candidate may leave before the scheduled completion time of the examination.

Candidates are **not** to move from examination seats until all papers have been collected from desks. Candidates are to remain seated until the **general instruction to move** is given by Examination Centre Supervisor.

A candidate shall *not*, by improper means, obtain or attempt to obtain assistance for the examination, or try to give assistance to any other student, or commit any breach of examination conditions.

#### 9. CREATIVE AND PERFORMING ARTS PRACTICAL EXAMINATIONS

#### Creative and Performing Arts Practical Examinations will be held as follows:

- Practical Dance Examination Monday July 27th.
- Practical Drama Examination Monday July 27th.
- Practical Music Examination Tuesday July 28<sup>th</sup>.

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Please check the Examination Schedule with CAPA Staff for performance times.

**TORONTO HIGH SCHOOL TRIAL HSC EXAMS 2015** Weeks 3 & 4 – Mon 27/7/15 – Fri 7/8/15

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FRIDAY 31/07/2015	8 30AM 11.35AM VISUAL ARTS (18) (1 5 hours plus 5 mins	CHEMISTRY (5) CHEMISTRY (5)	time) EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL (14)	(3 hours plus 5 mins read time) DRAMA (6) (1.5 hours plus 5 mins	read time) VET METALS (12) (2 hours plus 5 mins read time)	(3 HOURS +5)       CAFS (20)         MINUTES READ       (3 hours plus 5 mins read         TIME)       time)         For all morning exams students are required to assemble at the front of the MPC at 8.15am, except students with special provisions who will assemble outside the library
THURSDAY 30/7/2015	<u>MPC</u> 8:30AM - 10:00AM	ENGLISH Advanced (11) Standard (49)	PAPER 2 (1hr 20min +10 MINUTES READ TIME)			cept students with special provis
WEDNESDAY 29/7/2015	<u>MPC</u> 8:30AM - 10:40AM	ENGLISH Advanced (11) Standard (49)	PAPER 1 ( 2 HOURS + 10 MANNITTES DEAD	LTME)		ront of the MPC at 8.15am, e>
TUESDAY 28/7/2015	<u>DRAMA ROOM</u> ALL DAY	MUSIC PRACTICALS (7)	<u>LAB 6</u> 8.30AM - 10.35AM	MATHS EXTENSION 1 (4) (2 HOURS + 5 MINUTES READ TIME)	ENGLISH EXTENSION 1 (1) (2 HOURS + 5 MINUTES READ TIME)	are required to assemble at the f
MONDAY 2717/2015	<u>MPC</u> ALL DAY	DANCE PRACTICALS (7)	DRAMA ROOM ALL DAY	DRAMA PRACTICALS (6)	<u>LAB 6</u> 8.30AM - 11.35AM ENGINEERING STUDIES (8)	(3 HOURS +5 MINUTES READ TIME) For all morning exams students

at 8.15am. PLEASE MAKE YOURSELF FAMILIAR WITH THE EXAMINATION CENTRE RULES.

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FRIDAY	8.30AM- 11.35AM	DANCE (7) (1 hour plus 5 mins read time)	PHYSICS (11) (3 hours plus 5 mins read	time) BIOLOGY (24)	(3 hours plus 5 mins read time)	SENIOR SCIENCE (13) (3 hours plus 5 mins read	tine)				ions who will assemble outside the
THURSDAY	8.30AM - 11.35AM	ABORIGINAL STUDIES 6) (3 hour plus 5 mins read time)	FOOD TECHNOLOGY (6) (3 hours plus 5 mins read time)	PDHPE (17) (3 hours plus 5 mins read time)	BUSINESS SERVICES (7) (2 hours plus 5 mins read	time) ANCIENT HISTORY (14)	(3 hours plus 5 mins read time) CONSTRUCTION (13)	(2 hours plus 5 mins read time)	BUSINESS STUDIES (12) (3 hours plus 5 mins read	time)	at 8.15am, except students with special provisions who will assemble outside the library
WEDNESDAY 5/8/2015	<u>MPC</u> 8:30AM - 11:35AM	GEOGRAPHY (17) (3 hours plus 5 mins read time)	LEGAL STUDIES (13) (3 hours plus 5 mins read time)	MODERN HISTORY (4) (3 hours plus 5 mins read	time) HOSPITALITY - FOOD &	BEV (5) (2 hours plus 5 mins read time)	HOSPITALITY - KITCHEN OPS (13)	(2 hours plus 5 mins read time)	<u>MUSIC ROOM 1</u> 8.30AM- 10.05AM	MUSLC (/) (1.5 hours plus 5 mins read time)	
TUESDAY 4/8/2015											required to assemb
MONDAY 03/8/2015	<u>MPC</u> 8:30AM - 11:35AM	GENERAL MATHS 1 (18) (1HOUR +5 MINUTES READ TIME)	GENERAL MATHS 2 (61) (2.5HOURS +5 MINUTES READ TIME)	MATHEMATICS (16) (3HOURS +5 MINUTES READ TIME)							For all morning exams students are required to assemble at the front of the MPC

# at 8.15am. PLEASE MAKE YOURSELF FAMILIAR WITH THE EXAMINATION CENTRE RULES



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#### **CHANGE IN DETAILS**

Please ensure the school is informed of any changes in student's details, for example, new phone numbers, change of address etc. It is vital we are able to contact parents in the case of an emergency. Change of Details forms are available from the front office.

#### **PAYMENT OF STUDENT FEES**

The school front office is open for student payments from 8.00am to 2.30pm. Payments can be made by cheque, cash or EFTPOS, and credit card payments can also be taken over the phone.

#### **TRAVEL CONCESSIONS FOR STUDENTS AGED 16-18 YEARS**

Students are entitled to a half-fare concession on certain transport services if they are aged 16, 17 or 18 and hold a NSW Senior Secondary Student Concession Card. These cards are issued to eligible students by the school, are free of charge, are valid for the year of issue and until the 31 March the following year (unless the student enters employment).

For further information regarding eligibility, the services involved, and the process for replacement cards, please visit http://www.transportnsw.info/en/tickets/concessions/student-child/16-18.page.

#### T BAY

Just a reminder the school offers a service to parents/caregivers who have unwanted uniform items. By completing the Advertising Request Form included further in the newsletter, sellers can provide a list of the garments they wish to sell, the size and price of the item, and their contact phone number. Parents/caregivers wishing to purchase these second hand items can then contact the seller directly for any items they may be interested in. Further information regarding this initiative can be found on the school website (www.torontoh.schools.nsw.edu.au) under "Uniforms".

Alternatively, parents/caregivers are more than welcome to donate their second hand uniforms to the school to assist needy families.

#### THS UNIFORM SHOP – 20% Off Sale!!!!

Daylight Sportswear have advised they will be holding their THS Uniform Shop Annual 20% Off Sale during the last 2 weeks of Term 3 - that is Week 9 (week commencing 7 September) and Week 10 (week commencing 14 September) on instock items only. The sale is not applicable on special orders. There are strictly no refunds or exchanges on 20% off sale items. The shop will only be open during normal opening times as indicated below.

Please contact Mel on Ph 0438 080 840 for any enquiries.



## **THS UNIFORM SHOP – OPENING HOURS**

Wednesday 12.00 pm to 4.00 pm Friday 10.00am to 2.00pm

For any enquiries please contact Mel on Ph 0438 080 840

The THS Uniform Shop is proudly operated by Daylight Sportswear



July 2015

CAPA FACULTY Elizabeth Allanson, HT

This term the CAPA faculty are preparing for practical HSC examinations. The Year 12 Dance class are dancing in their Dance HSC examinations on 13-14 August, and the Drama examinations are to be held in Week 7 of this term. Students are preparing with many hours of out of class rehearsal necessary to complete the group projects. The Music HSC examinations will be held in the middle of September. The Visual Arts BOW are due in August. See your teacher for the exact date. We wish all our students the very best for their practical examinations.

Our students from CAPA toured the local primary schools for the annual Road Show at the end of last term. Students enjoyed revisiting their old primary schools and seeing the students. Our students were able to give an understanding of what high school life is like to the younger students and discovered the types of activities which are available here at Toronto High School.

Year 11 Drama students represented our school at the Mindplay competition for 2015. They participated well, but unfortunately did not reach the grand final this year. Well done to all students involved.

This year, MADD night will be held in Term 4. Auditions will be held at the beginning of Term 4, and any student wishing to perform needs to work on their piece NOW. The audition performance must be a finished piece which has a backing already completed and acceptable for the stage. Visual Arts classes will be displaying their works at the Annual Art Exhibition which will be held on the same day.

We wish our students well in the forthcoming practical examinations, and trust that students will be happy with their results.

#### STATE DRAMA CAMP

As you know, we finished Term 2 with the annual State Drama Camp, held at the Elanora Conference Centre.

We had 4 students attend this camp, which was open to all Year 11 public school students from across the State who study Drama. This camp is run by The Arts Unit and the Department of Education, and is an opportunity work with experienced to teachers, industry tutors and OnStage performers. Students devise group performances, participate in a series of workshops, attend professional theatre at Belvoir Street, meet new friends, eat far too much food and exhaust themselves with the best onsite preparatory HSC Program in the State. It is obvious that for students who attend, it is one of the highlights of their year.



Congratulations to the students who had the opportunity to attend the State Drama Camp and Miss Lavis for her support of our students.



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## Support Unit Garden Blitz

Students from the Support Unit recently undertook a Work Education program.

Over four days they maintained the school gardens by weeding, trimming, planting and covering with mulch. The students had opportunities to develop their skills in:

- Teamwork
- Communication
- Work skills in garden management
- Leadership skills
- Logging hours worked







Thanks to the TAS and Science Faculties for a lend of equipment and to those staff who provided plant clippings.

A HUGE thank you to **Bunnings at Morisset** for providing a large quantity of plants to support our program. The school gardens look amazing!!!!!!





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# STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

## What's been happening?

## Beanie Day

Students were encouraged to wear a beanie and donate a gold coin last term. We raised \$186, which will be forwarded to the Mark Hughes Foundation in Newcastle. (Affiliated with the Hunter Medical Research Institute).

Brain cancer is the leading cause of cancer death in children, and adults aged under 40 in Australia. Yet alarmingly very little is known about brain cancer, its causes or how it is treated!

All funds will go to medical research into gathering brain cells for investigation for new treatments for brain cancer.

## Diabetes Awareness Week

Students sold bags of jelly babies to raise funds for research into Diabetes.

The facts on Type 1 Diabetes -

- •2,000 that's the number of people diagnosed every year in Australia
- •Australia has the 6<sup>th</sup> highest rate of Type 1 in the world
- •3% That's the percentage of increase of people diagnosed each year
- •People can be diagnosed at any age, though diagnosis is most common in children.
- •People with Type 1 diabetes need multiple insulin injections every day. Insulin IS NOT A CURE.
- •Causes are not fully understood but can be through genetic or environmental triggers

There is currently no way to prevent or cure type 1 diabetes.



### Around the school

July 2015

The SRC has just put together a Fundraising policy for the SRC and are awaiting any further comments from members to finalize.

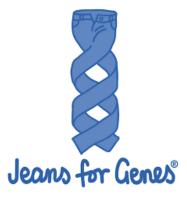
The SRC has also just completed a proposal for the School Executive to consider the viability on additional seating in the playground. This is only step one of a very long process. If agreed at this initial stage then our next step is to obtain quotes.

Our survey undertaken by students in roll call has now been collated and will direct our future fundraising. There were some surprising results.

#### Upcoming events:

#### Jeans for Genes Day – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August

This is a mufti day. Please ensure your child wears appropriate clothing suitable for school. No short dresses or skirts, no low cut tops, no midriffs, no offending logos and please ensure that they have enclosed shoes for safety. Remember if they have a class that requires leather footwear they need to come prepared.



Students are encouraged to donate a gold coin.

Every dollar raised on the day helps scientists at Children's Medical Research Institute discover treatments and cures, to give every child the opportunity to live a long and healthy life.

## The Hive: Schedule Term 3, 2015

EVERY MONDAY - 'Literacy Club' with Mrs Hinten and Mrs Chapman							
Week 3 27/07/15 Miss Crawford (Maths) Mr Banks (English) Ms Robson (TAS)	Week 4 3/08/15 Ms Robson (TAS) Mrs Gogarty (Science)	Week 5 10/08/15 Mr McDonald (Maths) Mr Finch (HSIE) Ms Robson (TAS)	Week 6 17/08/15 Mr Banks (English) Mrs Gogarty (Science)	Week 7 24/08/15 Mr Finch (HSIE) Miss Crawford (Maths)	Week 8 31/08/15 Ms Robson (TAS) Mrs Gogarty (Science)	Week 9 7/09/15 Mr McDonald (Maths) Mrs Gogarty (Science)	Week 10 14/09/15 Ms Robson (TAS) Mrs Gogarty (Science)

16th March 2015

# **The Booklook Newsletter**

## **Toronto High School Library**





## Mentors Needed to work with young people .....



- · Do you have some spare time during the week?
- · Are you a good listener?
- Would you like to help a young person?
- · Could mentoring be for you?
- · Like to hear more?

The Plan-it Youth Mentoring Program is a well-established mentoring program working in many high schools throughout the Hunter. This is a 10-12 week program where a group of mentors meet weekly with selected students to help them determine how their future could look, to help them learn about career pathways, and to work out a strategy for their highschool years.

If you are interested in becoming a mentor and would like to have further information about the Planit Youth program, or register for a mentor training program, please contact :

Judith Wood, email: jr.wood@bigpond.com, ph: 4969 3358, or Maryka Gibson, email: marykagibson@bigpond.com, ph: 0447 834601.

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Warners Bay High S	chool	Callaghan Co	llege Waratah	Technology C	ampus	West We	allsend High School
Newcastle High School	L	ake Macquarie H	igh School	Irrawan	g High Scho	ol	Singleton High School
Maitland Grossmann	High Scho	ool Ruther	ford Technolog	y High Schoo	l Gle	ndale Techi	nology High School

#### WHAT CAN MENTORS DO?

- Listen to students
- Assist students with goal setting
- Help students to recognize their strengths
- Be a sounding board for ideas and problems.
- Make contact with employers and local business.
- Suggest possible courses of action

#### WHAT IS PLAN-IT YOUTH?

Plan-it Youth is a school-based mentoring program for young people who are likely to leave school early,

It aims to link community members with young people who may need extra support to continue at school or prepare for the transition from school to work or from school to further education and training.

#### WHAT IS MENTORING?

Mentoring is the development of a one-on-one relationship where a more experienced person helps a less experienced person achieve their goals.

Plan-it Youth offers young people the opportunity to plan for their next step into education, training or employment. A mentor can assist this process by offering their experience, support and guidance on a one-on-one basis.



I found mentoring both challenging and rewarding, but above all I found it so enjoyable - way beyond my expectations. Wendy, mentor I have always found that I learnt as much from students as I think the students learnt from us. It has been a very rewarding experience. Alan, mentor

Plan-it Youth Hunter Inc.

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## THS UNIFORMS FOR SALE

Advertising Request Form

Parent Name			
Contact Phone No.	Date	/	/

I hereby consent to the publication of my name, contact phone number and the items I wish to sell, on the THS school's publications including school newsletters, website, social media.

I understand that this form must be submitted to the school front office, with my signature, by the 12<sup>th</sup> of each month to ensure inclusion (see below). \*This only applies during school terms, and when a newsletter is produced.

	Submission Deadlines for 2015 Newsletters					
Ter	m 3 - 2015	12th August	Term 4 - 2015	12 <sup>th</sup> October, 12th November		

#### **Conditions**

- All items must be in good condition.
- Seller's details published as advised above.
- No other information will be given out to prospective purchasers or any other party.
- Items will be listed once only.
- All details regarding the sale, price etc are strictly between the seller and the purchaser.
- The school is not responsible for any financial transactions in this regard.
- The school will not hold any goods on behalf of parents.

#### Parent Signature

Item to be Sold	<u>Price</u>	<u>Size</u>



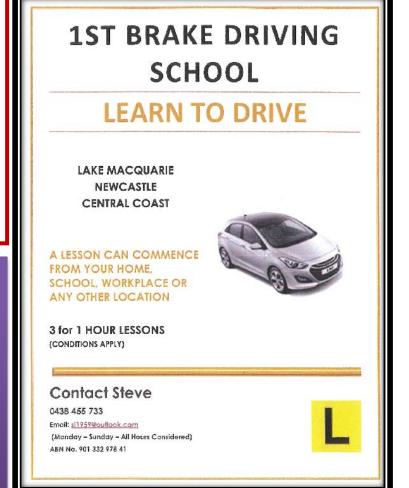
#### Do you have our School APP yet?

Download our School APP by visiting the Apple APP Store or Android Google Play market, search Toronto High School & press install.



## **School Terms 2016**

Term 1 - 27.1.16 to 8.4.16 Term 2 - 26.4.15 to 1.7.16 Term 3 - 18.7.16 to 23.9.16 Term 4 - 10.10.16 to 20.12.16



## Thank You



## Earn valuable resources for Toronto High

Place your Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers in the box in the THS Front Reception area and help your school earn valuable resources.



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