Hornsby Girls High School Prefects Isabel Truong, Sanjna Kalasabail, Abi Padmasiri, Karen Cortez, Rhea Kohli, Morgan MacKenzie and Lianna Zhuo represented the school on Friday 6 March as volunteers at the Sydney International Women’s Day Breakfast. Over 2,000 people were present at the breakfast which this year was held at the Australian Technology Park Redfern.

Our prefects and myself were part of a select group of forty volunteers who along with students from The Women’s College Sydney University and members of the community assisted the organisers of this important event.

Their main duties were welcoming the guests, guiding the guests to their seats, promoting the role of the UN in improving the lives of women in the Pacific Region and assisting the organisers in collections for the nominated UN charity.

The prefects arrived at the venue at 5:45am for a briefing from the organisers about their role. Guests began to arrive at 6:30am and our prefects worked solidly until 9:30am to ensure the morning was a wonderful celebration of International Women’s Day. The organisers of the breakfast (Hayley Aldrich and Monique Ross from UN Women https://unwomen.org.au/) were extremely pleased with the assistance they received from our volunteers. Well done prefects!

In a further celebration of International Women’s Day the Year 8 Social Justice Team also raised $300 for girls’ education in...
developing countries with a luncheon in the school hall where a UN film was shown to 200 interested students and staff on Wednesday 11 March. The event was promoted by Claudia Choi and Kristel Rodrigues both of Year 8 who decorated the Administration corridor with purple balloons and streamers with assistance from other members of the team. Thank you to Mrs Goodwin (HSIE) and the Social Justice Team for all their efforts.

Thank you to the following parents and students who made Grounds Day Saturday 28 February such a great day –

William Barlow, Emma Barlow (Year 8), Chris Crane, Rhiannon Crane (Year 10), Sian Crane (Year 8), Jungfang Liu, Dong Kyun Lee, S. Choi, Terry Diep, Wei Song Wang and Cai Huang, Shu Xuan and Zhi Jiang Cheng, Robert Dyer, Sung Gyoo Choi, Connie Yuen, Stephanie Liang (Year 11), Qiang Gu, Sahan Jayawardane, Rushenya Jayawardane (Year 7), Srikanth Kallayil, Biyu Lin, Waruna Manchanayake, Mark Qin, Xianchen Ren, Andrew and Tizzie Roberts, Freya Roberts (Year 7), Grace Roberts (Year 10), David Tarbotton and Trish Diack, Terry Yim, Zhuqin Sun, Wei Zhao, David Zhou, Hoi Wah Lock, Zhao Hong Zhan, Catherine Lentfer, Rachel Yamamoto (Year 11), Eugenie Yamamoto, Yasayuki Yamamoto, Jono Sanders, Kam Lok Hung, Prem Krithivasan, Hong Zhang, Nitchamol Oungphaiboon, Amy Wasapatkorn Limpairojana (Year 8), Kassandra Di Bona (Year 11), Dr Rex Di Bona, Alison Barry, Srikanth Ramanuja, Jade Tan (Year 8), Tan Trung, Caitlin Sinn (Year 8), Craig Schwartz, Steele Duan, Harsha Guriasinha, Sudha Swedanyam, Kevin Yip, Tina Yip (Year 8), Dr Kathy Peters, Alicia Bradford, Bo Yan, Ross Horsburgh, Tong Chen, Steve Pye and Natasha Pye (Year 10).

This great team shovelled 10 tonnes of mulch, 3.5 tonnes of red river gravel, dug up numerous weeds and planted many seedlings, cleaned the front fence and trimmed the front hedges. Well done team!

Our School Counsellor Mrs Beatrijs DeWulf will be presenting at the P and C Information Evening on Wednesday 18 March at 7:45pm. Her topic will be “Having difficult conversations with your Teenage Daughter”. Her workshop will focus on how parents can assist their daughters to develop resilience and increase their emotional intelligence with positive communication strategies. I encourage you to attend this important information evening.

On Saturday 21 March the Mother-Daughter Night Vietnamese Cook-Off will take place. This is the third year we have had this type of Mother-Daughter Night and the first time that the event has been sold out. Thank you to all the participants and our organisers Mrs Mathias and Mrs Lee.

Year 7 were welcomed to the school by the SRC and the SRC Coordinator Mr Fish with a lunch-time barbeque last week. Year 7 are settling in well to the school and appreciate all the varied activities on offer at the school. Thank you to the SRC and Mr Fish for organising the lunchtime activity.
The famous Australian portrait artist and Archibald Prize winner Judy Cassab CBE AO (http://www.judycassab.com/) has loaned three of her portraits to the school and has donated a further two portraits to the HGHS P and C. These five beautiful portraits of her friends Robert Morley, Joseph Brown, Gordon Chater, Lawrence Dawes and Peter Ross are located in the Library in the Judy Cassab Annex. These portraits will be on permanent display in the Library for the benefit of the students. In particular Year 8 students will study Judy’s work as part of the Visual Arts Curriculum. The school will soon have a portrait of Judy Cassab and a biography highlighting her contribution to Visual Arts in Australia which will also be located in the Judy Cassab Annex. I thank Judy’s son the artist John Seed for contacting me to arrange the donation of the two portraits to the P and C and of the loan of three additional portraits. This is a highly significant cultural donation to the school and I sincerely thank Judy Cassab and the Cassab family for their philanthropy.

Kind regards,

Dr Justin Briggs

Website News

To assist in our communication between school and home our ‘Daily Notices’ are now placed on the School Website. The Daily Notices information is read to students by their roll-call teacher during roll-call. Each day printed copies are also placed on the notice boards in A Block. It is now available for you each day on the school website. http://www.hornsbygir-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/ click on ‘Daily Notices’.

If you would like a copy of the Excursion Payment Form it can be located at http://www.hornsbygir-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/ click on ‘Our School’, click on ‘Schooling Costs’.
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Hornsby Girls High School
P and C ASSOCIATION

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INVITATION TO ALL PARENTS

To

our March P & C Meeting
on WEDNESDAY 18 March
at 7.45pm
in the School Common Room.

Our next P and C Information Meeting on Wednesday March 18 from 7:45pm will be a presentation from our School Counsellor Mrs Beatrijs DeWulf on

“Having difficult conversations with your Teenage Daughter”
Her workshop will focus on how parents can assist their daughters to develop resilience and increase their emotional intelligence with positive communication strategies.

Light refreshments will also be served, so please come along and meet other parents in a relaxed and informal atmosphere.
All welcome!

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Regular HGHS P & C Association meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month during the school term. Please mark the dates in your diary.

With your active participation, the P & C can achieve great things to enhance your daughter’s education. Please show your support. You will be made very welcome!
English and Visual Arts: Film Workshop

In the heart of the Entertainment Quarter, Moore Park, lies AFTRS (The Australian Film, Television, Radio School), to which ten students, five from Year 11 Visual Arts and five from Year 12 Extension 2 English, ventured on Monday 2 March.

Overeager to get our hands onto new technology, under the guidance of our instructor and cinematographer, Gareth, we delved into the technicalities of the camera and acting. A simple story—a girl scaring a poet, bringing her back into the reality of the world away from the dreamscape—but with much work weaved into the production.

From pull focus to green screening, we learnt some of the basic techniques of visual storytelling in filmmaking and editing, which will provide the foundation for future projects and major works.

Thank you, Dr Green and Ms DeLosa for providing us with such a great opportunity at AFTRS. We will be sure to put the knowledge and skills gained into good use.

Janice Ma, Olivia Kong
Congratulations to the following students who have been awarded:

Silver – Duke of Edinburgh: Xenia Lopes
Bronze - Duke of Edinburgh: Karen Cortez

A wonderful achievement by these students!

Adventurous Journeys

Registration is due for the April Adventurous Journeys by Monday 16 March 2015. Consent forms must be returned to Mrs Riches by next Monday. Forms and details on registration with Somerset can be found on HGHS Moodle under Duke of Edinburgh.

The same Adventurous Journeys will be repeated in the September/October holidays.

Working With Children Number

All volunteers with the Duke of Edinburgh Award programme must have a Working With Children Number. Unfortunately any student who has not provided this number for each of their Assessors will be unable to be signed as completing their Duke of Edinburgh and this applies to all levels. Several students have not returned the necessary details regarding the WWCN. Could these please be supplied as soon as possible.

Mrs Robyn Riches
Duke of Edinburgh Co-Ordinator

Band & Orchestra News...

Next Committee Meeting- 2015 Monday 27 April - 7:30 – 9:00 pm in the Common Room

Come and be part of our terrific team and meet other parents. Enter through Thomas St gates for parking. There are still vacancies in several positions: Symphonic Band and Flute Ensembles Contact as well as many assistants. Parents of Year 7 and 8 students are encouraged to come along.

Future Meetings – Mondays - 15 June, 17 August, 19 October AGM, 23 November Christmas party

Committee Emails
If you are not receiving the committee emails or have changed your details, please send the correct information to the Information/Membership Manager: Mrs. Suja Murali 0413 206 450 or muralis@yahoo.com.au

2015 Japan Tour Farewell Concert
Everyone is welcome to come and hear the Japan Touring Ensemble at their Farewell Concert Sunday 29 March at 1:30 pm in the school hall.

Band Workshops – Staff Development Day
There will be two workshops for all band members on Monday 20 April.
Concert Band: 9 – 10:45 Symphonic Band: 11-1:00

Deb Dietz (Ms.), Conductor
Melissa Jones (Mrs.) and Christine Sadek (Mrs.), Co-Committee Presidents
PE News ...

Waterpolo Team

Congratulations to our enthusiastic and dedicated Water Polo team, who have been busy training early morning before school and competing in the Barker College Water Polo competition. It is a strong competition where the girls compete against highly experienced teams. Our team has shown excellent progress in their skills and teamwork abilities. Congratulations to the following girls, we are looking forward to the Term 4 competition.

Kassandra Di Bona, Maree Johnson, Hiro Kojo, Manisha Kulasinghe, Amelia Hiscock, Soo Bin Lee, Michelle Lokugamage, Freya Roberts, Grace Roberts, Olivia Se, Jewel Soares, Olivia Utharntharm, Daphne Wang

Milo T20 Blast Secondary School Cup

Throughout Term 1, our combined Year 7/8 T20 Cricket team has been busy training and gearing up for the Regional Twenty 20 Cricket Competition. As part of their training they have been lucky enough to have coaches from Cricket NSW come to the school and give expert advice. Thank you to Noni Cole (Year 12) who has also helped the girls with their training. The team will be participating in the competition on Monday 16 March where they will have the opportunity to compete against schools from across the region. If the girls are successful they will have the chance to progress to the State Final later this year. Good luck to the team. It is great to have so many enthusiastic young cricketers in the school!
NSW All Schools Triathlon

Congratulations to Lauren Lancaster (Year 9) and Eve Timms (Year 8) who participated in the NSW All Schools Triathlon at Sydney International Regatta Centre, Penrith on Thursday 27 February. These girls competed against students from Independent, Catholic and Government Schools from across NSW. The triathlon required them to complete a 400m Swim, 10km Bike and a 3km Run, an extraordinary effort! Eve placed 45th overall and 14th in the Government Schools section with a time of 46 minutes 58 seconds. Lauren placed 88th overall and 30th in the Government Schools section with a time of 54 minutes 22 seconds. Well done!

NSW Schoolgirls Head of the River Regatta – 2015

The NSW Schoolgirls Head of the River was first raced in 1991. The inaugural Schoolgirls Head of the River Regatta took place on Middle Harbour Creek at Davidson Park, Roseville.

The Regatta is now typically held at the Sydney International Regatta Centre in Penrith in March. All affiliated schools of the NSWCISSC, NSW Combined High Schools and NSW Combined Catholic Colleges are eligible to nominate their students to compete.

For the first time ever, Hornsby Girls High School had 2 competitors in this year’s Regatta!

Laura Wunderlich (Year 8) and Eve Timms (Year 8), competed in the Year 8 Single Scull over 1000m. Laura and Eve finished 2nd and 3rd respectively in their Heats to qualify for the Finals. In the Finals, Laura came 4th and Eve 5th overall!

Congratulations to both girls on a wonderful result in their first big competition.
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School Badge
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For 2015

Wed 18th March
nr Canteen

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On behalf of the Sydney International Women’s Day Chapter of the Australian National Committee for UN Women, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for volunteering.

Our signature event – The International Women’s Day Breakfast – is part of this global celebration. In 2015, the panel of eminent speakers addressed the theme “Beijing +20: celebrating progress towards gender equality since the landmark Beijing Platform for Action was signed in 1995”.

While we have come a long way, we still have a long way to go. Beijing +20 also highlights what still needs to be done so we don’t have to wait another 20 years to achieve gender equality.

Your support, through volunteering on 6th March, helps make this event so special, and helps make a difference to the lives of women and girls in our region.

We wish you all the best and sincerely thank you for your voluntary services.

Yours sincerely

Monique Ross
Volunteer Chair, Sydney International Women’s Day Chapter
Australian National Committee for UN Women
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sydney@unwomen.org.au
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