From the Deputy

On the 25th May the Hornsby Rotary Club celebrated the Pride of Workmanship Awards with a dinner held at Asquith Golf Club. Both Margo Armitage from the Visual Arts faculty and Suellen Tarran from the Science faculty received awards. Both members of staff have made enormous contributions to the education for students at Hornsby Girls High School over many years. They have gone over and above the requirements of their job to encourage and extend students instilling a love of learning and a positive approach to life. On the same evening Joy Mei, parent of Summer Guo in Year 11, was recognised for her work with Hornsby Hospital. Congratulations to all three award winners.

As you all know Hornsby Girls are in a class of their own. At last week’s Whole School Assembly I had the privilege of recognising and congratulating a large number of students for a variety of achievements ranging from sport to academic, public speaking and charity work. These students brought great credit to themselves and to their school. Hornsby Girls continually demonstrate the value of contributing to society and of striving for personal best.

Years 9, 10 and 11 were specifically mentioned for their mature and cooperative approach to the recent assessment periods. They conducted themselves with integrity and their behaviour was exemplary. The Year 12 Assessment period starts today. I wish every student the best of luck and am confident that they will continue the high standard set by the younger grades.

Following the assessments, parent teacher interviews will be held early in Term3. Notifications will be sent to all families outlining the dates on which bookings open.

Lowes school uniform store at Hornsby has had some extended delays in supplying the winter uniform due to a fault in the fabric. As a result and as a gesture of good will, Lowes are offering 20% off all items in the store to Hornsby Girls High School students from Monday 15 June to Sunday 21 June. They are also offering a 20% discount on all current customer orders. Additionally there is a flyer in this newsletter offering a $50 discount on blazers.

I am pleased to say that the uniforms have arrived today at Lowes Hornsby and those who have ordered items should be able to collect them this weekend. I would like to remind parents and students that there
is now a jumper, a cardigan, a vest for seniors and a blazer available to provide warmth in winter. These are the correct items of uniform that should be worn.

The June P&C Associations meeting will be held on the 17th of June in the School Hall, all welcome.

Finally, the school continues to be a very busy place. This term will culminate in Spirit Week organised by the Student Representative Council. The week is intended to build collegiality among the students, to support the school’s philosophy of positive education and to add some fun and balance to the academic side of school. We are all looking forward to what this year’s SRC has in store for us.

Deputy Principal, Jeanmaree Sexton

Languages ...

Year 12 FRENCH study skills day at Macquarie University

On the 16th May, our French class went to Macquarie University to learn some useful tips on how to study for and approach the Year 12 HSC French exam.

The half-day program was split up according to the different sections in the French exam- Listening and responding, Reading and Responding A, Reading and Responding B, and Writing, lasting approximately 4 hours.

I found it very helpful as it helped to show me how to study effectively, for example, in order to efficiently prepare for a listening exam, I needed to not only simply do the past papers, but also to mark my answers after finishing each question. This would include cross referencing with the answers to correct and take note of words I didn’t understand, as well as highlighting important or common words that would be prone to reoccur.

It also helped to point out anything that I may have been doing wrong before and common errors made, although in this area was nothing new as Madame Barbeau had already pointed them out to me! Most of the information provided reinforced what we learn at school, so it was reassuring to know that all of us are already in good hands at school 😊. We just need to keep going to make it to the end, and I know that it will all be worth it!

Another bonus was that there was also a uni student who came to talk about the usefulness of learning a second language, and where it could lead you, not only in university but also after. These included different possibilities of courses (e.g. International Studies), internships and funded exchange trip. I personally found it helpful as it gave me more direction (of which I previously had little) on where I could possibly head in my near future!

Overall, I think that I learnt some very useful and practical tips, as well as having everything I learn currently at school reinforced. It was also nice to see all the paths and opportunities one can have through studying French, and personally I can say that it was a Saturday well spent!

Alyssa Lo

Education Perfect World Championships

From MONDAY 18 MAY until THURSDAY 28 MAY Hornsby Girls' language students participated in the Education Perfect World Championships. Collectively the students answered almost 290,000 questions across 3 languages. Students who earnt Gold Awards were:

Amy Clarke, Jing Weng, Jenny Chen, Elizabeth Gosbell, Winnie Chan, Renee Jin, Jia Ng, Andrea Daners, Claire Li, Asha Hossain, Kristel Rodrigues
Premier’s Reading Challenge
Some very keen students have already completed the 2015 Challenge. The Premier’s Reading Challenge provides students with a goal to assist in developing their wide reading. It provides very interesting and varied reading choices in the online lists and students can search by Author, Title or Genre for their selections. All online entries must be completed by August 1st and records need to be validated by Mrs Hardy.

Library Monitors
This year we are privileged to have 44 students who volunteer to help in the Library. Students assist at the Circulation Desk as well as doing other duties such as shelving. Each term there is a Morning Tea to thank them for all their work. It is a pleasure to get to know them and to have such willing, conscientious helpers.

Book Groups

The Year 8 Book Group meets on Mondays in the Discussion Room and engages in some very lively discussions and shared enjoyment of reading. The group has grown to 23 members who all contribute to some very lively discussions.

The Years 9/10 Book Group meets on Tuesdays and has 17 very enthusiastic readers who contribute many interesting insights and shared reading experiences to our discussions. Some recent additions to the Library:

**Fiction**
- Foreign Soil. Maxine Beneba Clarke
- The Strays: a Novel Emily Bitto
- Just a Queen Jane Caro
- Only the Animals Ceridwen Dovey
- Trigger Warning Neil Gaiman
- The Little Paris Bookshop Nina George
- Kerenza: a New Australian Roseanne Hawke
- Les Miserable Victor Hugo; Marica Williams
- The Buried Giant Kazuo Ishiguro
- The Golden Age Joan London
- Zafir Prue Mason, Lyn White
- After Dark Haruki Murakami
- 1915 Sally Murphy
- Prince of Afghanistan Louis Nowra
- Laurinda Alice Pung
- Paper Planes. Allayne Webster

**Non-Fiction**
- Moments: Pulitzer Prize-Winning Photographs
- The Big Little Book of Resilience
- Fair Play and Integrity in Sport
- One Life: My Mother’s Story. Kate Grenville
- Australian Economics Dictionary.
- Income and Wealth Inequality.
- The Highly Engaged Classroom.
- The Greatest Gatsby: A visual Grammar.
- History’s Greatest Discoveries.
- Science: but not as we know it.
- Plague: black Death and Pestilence in Europe.
- Judy Cassab: a Portrait.
- Oxford Illustrated Shakespeare Dictionary.
- The Collected Essays of Virginia Woolf.
- The World of Athens.
CONGRATULATIONS to the 70 girls who represented Hornsby at the North West Metropolitan Cross Country Carnival. It was a very successful day with 20 girls qualifying to compete at the Sydney North Carnival. The final point score literally came down to the last race of the day and resulted in Hornsby placing 3rd overall – another fantastic sporting achievement!

Thank you to Mrs Lang who did a superb job as team manager on the day. An even bigger THANK YOU to Mrs Lang’s elective PASS class who worked all day in helping the carnival run smoothly.

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GOOD LUCK to all girls competing at the Sydney North Carnival on Thursday 11th June at the Entertainment Grounds in Gosford
NSW Netball Schools Cup

On Wednesday 20 May the 7/8 Netball Team competed in the NSW Netball Schools Cup. It was a fun day getting to know each other and playing together for the first time. We all had a blast and played well, as we won our pool, and will be going to the regional carnival, later in the year. We played against other schools including Cheltenham Girls, Asquith Girls and French’s Forest High. Overall we had a really enjoyable day with lots of laughs, from the bus trip to the netball games. The day was a huge success! We have to thank Ms Lang, Ms Hoogerwerf and Maddy, our coach for supporting and supervising us all the way!

Team Members on the day: Year 7 – Charlotte Barry, Ella Bradford, Alex de Lima, Freya Roberts, Kate Tarbotton     Year 8 – Peoly Gunaratne, Sarah Kim, Jade Tan, Kristen Tiong,
Special mention – Rujuta Banhatti, who umpired for Hornsby Girls throughout the day!

Prefects ...

The Prefects were invited to a thank you morning tea at Hornsby RSL on Thursday the 28th of May. Our Prefects volunteered their own time to sell badges at local train stations in the lead up to Anzac Day. The students worked with four other local schools and contributed to raising over $17 000 for supporting veterans and their families. Raymond Davis the Sub-Branch Fundraising Project Officer was highly appreciative of the efforts of the students and complimented the students on their enthusiasm, leadership and willingness to participate in their busy HSC year.

MULTICULTURAL FAIR NEWS!

Put Saturday 22 August in your diary – the 2015 Multicultural Fair!
There’ll be international food, music, dance, new rides and activities. Closer to the date we will ask for parents to help out during the day, just for a couple of hours. For now, start thinking about items you no longer need and can donate to the Trash and Treasure stall or books for the Book Stall. Perhaps buy a quality box of chocolates or bottle of wine for our Tombola if you happen to see them on special! We’ll be collecting these in August.
HGHS Father – Daughter Night
Saturday 20 June 2015
6-9 PM

Trivia Challenge – 4

Name of the student who represented NSW and came 5th nationally in high jump at the All Schools Athletics Championships in Adelaide 2014?

(Answers will be given at the event)

Booking Now Open!
Contact School Office to Register

For Enquiries
Divya Mathias - dandivya@yahoo.com.au
or Debbie Lee - d.lee911@yahoo.com.au
INVITATION TO ALL PARENTS
to
our June P & C Meeting
on WEDNESDAY 17 June
at 7.45pm
in the School Common Room.

Our next P and C Information Meeting on Wednesday June 17 from 7:45pm will be a forum on Student Wellbeing and Positive Mental Health. The forum “Building Positive Mental Health and Academic Resilience in preparation for the HSC and beyond” will feature Dr Yael Perry from the Black Dog Institute and counsellors from KYDS. Light refreshments will also be served, so please come along and meet other parents in a relaxed and informal atmosphere.
All welcome!

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!
Father* / Daughter Challenge Night

You are invited to our annual Father / Daughter Challenge Night,

Saturday 20 June 2015 from 6-9 p.m.

This will be a night of fun, trivia, challenge and sharing time with your daughter and other fathers from HGHS. You will find yourself meeting and chatting with many of the other fathers* and students in the school hall, while you work out the answers together.

So make up a table with other students (4 students and 4 fathers to a table) or ask to be placed on “year” tables.

The cost of the night is $15.00 per adult and $10.00 per student. Please bring your own drinks and snacks for the table, including drinking glasses and a pen. Coffee and tea will be available throughout the night.

We are looking forward to a great response to this night and encourage you to join us and assure you that you will meet many other people and have a great time.

*can be an uncle, grandfather, big brother etc

In past years, we had a full hall, so please apply early.

Parent’s Name………………………………………………..

Student’s Name………………………………….. Year…………..

Names of other students on your table

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Email any queries to Divya Mathias: dandivya@yahoo.com.au or Debbie Lee: d.lee911@yahoo.com.au

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