GREAT DAY FOR NSW SCHOOL STUDENTS

Principal’s report – Jane Ferris

Parents of all students in NSW schools will be aware that the Premier Barry O’Farrell has led the Australian States by being the first leader to sign up the Gonski education funding reform package.

Lila Mularczyk, the President of the New South Wales Secondary Principals’ Council (NSW SPC) commented, “This is a great day for students in NSW schools, an especially important day for those students who have been struggling with educational disadvantage through no fault of their own. The funding that will flow as a result of this deal will change lives. School leaders and teachers will make sure of that. We will ensure that those students who were being left behind will receive targeted learning programs and support. Many children who didn’t have a fair chance can aspire to a successful school career and university entry as a result of the Premier’s decision to support this important reform.”

Premier Barry O’Farrell in an email to all teachers said, “I am proud of this historic reform which could not have been achieved without the advocacy of students, teachers and parents across NSW.” Please read the NSW government report “A new model for school funding” later in the newsletter.

Although it is yet to be seen it there is a direct increase in funding to a school like Pittwater High school, given that we are not in a disadvantaged area, we will nevertheless benefit from a stronger public school system. Our students are our future. We have to invest in their education so they have a chance to achieve their goals but also to secure the nation's social and economic future. I congratulate Barry O’Farrell and his government for stepping up to this reform. Also I would like to acknowledge how our local MP Rob Stokes has been a strong advocate for public education and our school.

SCHOOL SECURITY FENCE

As you would have noticed, a new fence at Pittwater High is currently being installed. This has been made possible by the successful application to a State Government grant which is covering half of the cost. I greatly appreciate the time and effort made by the P&C, especially president Stephen Howard, in putting together the detailed submission required. Also thanks to Rob Stokes who was willing to nominate the school to receive this grant. As a result our students will be safer during the school day while our property will be more secure from break-ins and vandalism out of school hours.


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A new model of school funding

Why do we need a new funding model?

2013 marks 40 years since the last major national review of school funding (Schools in Australia 1973 - the Karmel Review). Since that time the current system of school funding has become very complex, with different methodologies operating in isolation from each other across jurisdictions and sectors.

In April 2010, the Commonwealth Government initiated A Review of Funding for Schooling, chaired by Mr. David Gonski.

The review made a number of findings informed by a strong evidence-base as well as extensive community consultation, including some 1,408 submissions.

The New South Wales Government made substantial submissions, with many of the Government’s recommendations adopted by the final Review.

What is the new model?

The new model links all funding to a Schooling Resource Standard.

The Schooling Resource Standard adopts a ‘base’ and ‘loadings’ structure that reflects the school-level cost of achieving a particular academic standard. The base has been developed according to the efficient cost of those schools that have consistently shown high levels of performance in NAPLAN assessments. The loadings have been developed using evidence of the most significant sources of educational disadvantage, including concentrations of student disadvantage in a school, as well as the school’s size and location. These loadings support the following disadvantaged groups:
- Students from low socio-economic backgrounds.
- Students with disabilities.
- Indigenous students.
- Students who need help with English.
- Schools that are disadvantaged by their size or remoteness.

For more detailed information on the new model and loadings for disadvantage see fact sheets provided by the Commonwealth government at www.schoolfunding.gov.au.

Government and Catholic schools will receive their funding through their systems – in keeping with the current systemic approach – while independent and non-systemic Catholic schools will receive their funding directly from the State and Commonwealth Governments, as currently occurs.

Where to next?

A number of steps will be needed to implement the new funding agreement:

The Commonwealth government has committed to introduce legislation to enact the new agreement, which will take the form of amendments to the Australian Education Bill 2012, as well as any associated instruments.

An agreement between the New South Wales and Commonwealth governments will outline the trajectory and pace of reform under the new model, using sound evidence to determine the best measures.

The new investment will begin to be rolled out from 2014 and reform directions will be phased in over the transition period 2014-2019.

Summary

The new funding agreement between New South Wales and the Australian Government will deliver approximately $5 billion in additional funding to government and non-government schools in New South Wales, during a 6 year transition period from 2014-2019. The agreement provides clarity and consistency for all schools across jurisdictions and schooling sectors, granting systems the flexibility to target funding more accurately – but within a consistent needs-based approach. These reforms mean that we can do more than ever before to ensure that every student in every NSW school receives an excellent education.
**Deputy Principal's report – David Muirhead**

Welcome back to another busy term at Pittwater High School. We have already had the students photos, the start of building work for the fence and a Year 12 Surviving the HSC Seminar. I have visited some classrooms and I have been impressed with how settled the school is.

The Year 12 seminar dealt with parenting in the HSC year, looking at the future in terms of study and careers and a well received session on active study and time management where students and parents were able to share what they felt were the big distractions for Year 12 students. You probably won’t be surprised to know that Facebook figured highly in the group. The groups used planners to schedule the run up to the HSC Trial, ways of managing time, finding time and strategies to get the most out of the study time students have.

As we move into the winter months students will often tell their parents that it is OK to wear non uniform jumpers because everyone else does. This is not true. The school is getting very good compliance with our uniform. It is important that students wear the correct uniform. This is one of the few ways the community sees our school. They don’t see the kindness and compassion of our students for others or the work they do in the classroom, nor the charity work they do or the school spirit exhibited in “Spirit Week” that is on this week. However, they do see our uniform. If students are out of uniform what the community sees, as wrong as this perception is, is a lack of discipline. Please make sure your children come to school in full school uniform.

Attendance is a key to success at school. Some of our students are tardy at signing in when late. It is the student's responsibility to sign in if they have not been at school at roll call. Often when the school sends the SMS’ parents respond by saying the student is at school. However, if they have not been signed in they are officially not present. Please speak to your son or daughter about this very important administrative issue. Once again, it may not sound important but it is.

Lastly, I have been heartened by the NSW Government's support for the Gonski reforms. Whist Pittwater High School will receive additional funding the lion's share of the funds will go to school and students who are struggling to reach the National Standards due generally to socio economic circumstances. Public education has been the foundation of NSW’s and national prosperity for the last 150 years. It is the anvil from which our character and future has been shaped and melded into the community we live. This is a once in a generation opportunity for our children and our grandchildren.

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**Relieving Deputy Principal's report – Rachel Fleming**

Welcome back to Term 2.

Over the next two weeks I will be relieving for Ms Andrews as she is on study leave.

I look forward to working closely with all our staff, students and parents and particularly Year 7, 9 and 11.

**Levels System - Changes to Student Management Procedures**

Over the last term the Welfare team have been busy re-structuring and consolidating our levels system to make it more accessible and effective in achieving its aim –

> “The levels system is designed to demonstrate that students are being responsible, respectful and aspire to achieve their best. This system also acts as restitution. When on a level card, teachers are able to provide positive feedback to students.” (Pittwater High Student Management Procedures 2013)

Included in this newsletter is an outline of Pittwater High Schools – Student Management Procedures (Levels System) which will begin this term.

The Welfare team and staff at Pittwater High are committed to providing the opportunities for students to strive for excellence in academic achievement, become independent and responsible learners, leaders and citizens and develop individuals that behave in a manner which demonstrates respect for others and themselves. The new Levels system will help to provide support for students and staff in achieving this goal.

**Uniform**

Thank you to all students and parents for representing our school with pride in the summer uniform in term 1. As the winter months approach a reminder that all students must be in correct winter uniform.

We have a number of important events scheduled over the next fortnight. More information about these will be emailed and issued to students.

Look forward to seeing you at our Parent/Teacher night and the carnivals.
**PITTTWTER HIGH SCHOOL**  
**STUDENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES**

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2. Head Teacher is informed  
3. Enter on Sentral  
- Disruptive classroom behaviour  
- Lack of application, incomplete classwork or homework  
- Poor attitude to work  
- Refusal to follow teacher instruction  
- Does not bring equipment  
- Disrespectful towards class teacher and / or peers  
- Late to class | 1. Student receives a Level one Learning Contract  
2. Monitor for five lessons in one subject or ten days.  
3. If there is no improvement refer to head teacher for Level two faculty monitoring | 1 |
| MODERATELY UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR | 1. Dealt with by the Head Teacher of Faculty or Year Group in consultation with the Classroom Teacher  
2. Deputy Principal is informed  
3. Enter on Sentral  
- Student is not responding to classroom controls regarding work; behaviour; attitude; guidelines; continued disobedience or defiance  
- Bullying or Harassment of any kind i.e. verbal, cyber etc  
- Repeated fractional truancy or whole day truancy  
- Unacceptable level of swearing between peers  
- Moderate aggressive verbal or physical behaviour  
- Defiant and uncooperative behaviour  
- Refusal to follow teacher instructions  
- Rudeness to teachers and / or non-teaching staff | 1. Monitor for ten days  
2. Faculty monitoring  
3. Whole school monitoring:  
- When faculty monitoring has not resolved behaviour issues  
- When the behaviour impacts on more than one faculty  
4. Extend time on Level two if behaviours do not improve or refer to the Deputy Principal for possible entry to level three. | 2 |
| MAJOR UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR OR ONGOING UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR | 1. Dealt with by the Deputy Principal  
2. Inform all staff  
3. Enter on Sentral  
- Student does not respond to Class Teacher or Head Teacher controls; persistence disobedience or defiance  
- Abuse, aggressive behaviour and / or rudeness towards teachers and / or non-teaching staff  
- Major incidents of various natures  
- Destruction of property within school grounds  
- Jeopardising the safety of others  
- Swearing aggressively, directly at any member of staff  
- Smoking  
- Stealing: Major incidents can be considered as aggressive behaviour for a level four and suspension  
- Vilification of students i.e. intentionally insulting a person's identity, beliefs, values, race, gender etc. | 1. Monitor for ten days across all subjects  
2. Students report to Deputy Principal on a daily basis  
3. Level card is signed by parents on a daily basis  
4. Extend time on Level three if behaviours do not improve or refer to the Principal for possible suspension | 3 |
| SERIOUS OR EXTREME UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR OR ONGOING UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR | 1. Dealt with by the principal or Deputy Principal  
2. Inform all staff  
3. Enter on Sentral  
- SHORT SUSPENSION  
  - Continued disobedience  
  - Use of alcohol and repeated smoking  
  - Aggressive behaviour including verbal vilification, bullying and damage to property  
  - Post compulsory education; non serious attempt with learning  
- LONG SUSPENSION  
  - Persistent or serious misbehaviour  
  - Physical violence  
  - Use or possession of a prohibitive weapon, firearm, or knife  
  - Use of an implement as a weapon  
  - Possession, supply or use of suspected illegal substance | 1. Monitored for ten days across all subjects  
2. Students report to Deputy Principal across whole school  
3. Extend time on level four if behaviours do not improve SUSPENSION | 4 |
CARNIVAL FEVER IS ABOUT TO HIT PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL OVER THE NEXT TWO WEEKS. REFER TO THE CROSS COUNTRY AND ATHLETICS CARNIVAL POSTERS IN THIS WEEKS NEWSLETTER.

ALL CARNIVALS ARE A COMPULSORY SCHOOL DAY. ANY STUDENT NOT ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CROSS COUNTRY MUST BRING A NOTE.

GOOD LUCK TO EVERYONE AND A REMINDER THAT PARTICIPATION IS THE KEY TO SUCCESS. I CHALLENGE YOU TO TRY SOMETHING NEW AND REMEMBER TO SUPPORT YOUR HOUSE AND HAVE FUN!!

SPORTS STARS --- 2 National Champions already!! Guess Who???

Congratulations to **David E** who won gold in the Surf Lifesaving Australian Titles U/16 Swim Relay. Another great achievement David --- Well Done!

**Luke B** – Competed in th Australian Age Championships (Swimming) – 2nd Place

**Luke B & Jasen W** – Both boys have qualified as part of the CHS Team to compete at the All Schools on the 9th May.

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**INTERSCHOOL SNOWSPORTS ---- PARENT/PARTICIPANT INFORMATION NIGHT**

**Welcome back to term two 2013 and to cooler days and nights as we speed towards winter and Interschools Snow Sports 2013.**

**For those familiar with Interschools Snowsports this year we will be racing at Perisher Valley the first week of July. By all accounts the season will be much like 2012 so there will be plenty of cover on the ground for the kids to compete on.**

**For those who are new to Interschools and would like to join me and other interested families I will be holding an information night on Monday May 13 in the library at Pittwater High at 7pm.**

**Snow Sports is a fantastic week where the kids compete against other schools stretching from North Sydney through to North Queensland. The competition is tough but our kids always give their best with a number of the 2012 competitors finishing in the top 15 in the region.**

**If you’re interested please join me to discuss the program, accommodation options, expected costs and dates in more detail.**

**Jon Curry (Parent Snowsports Coordinator)**
Congratulations to all our swimmers who participated in the CHS swimming - representing Sydney North region and more importantly Pittwater High School.

The boys 6 x 50m relay team consisting of Christian G, Nick S, Tyler A, Luke B and Jasen W went into the heats ranked 11/20. The team had their work cut out for them powering down the first lap Jasen W got us into a comfortable position each swimmer holding this position. Anchoring the team was Luke (yes – me) swimming to place the team 3rd in their heat. All swam exceptionally well, cheering on their team mates.

Between the heats and the final, Luke decided to give some of the younger swimmers a few helpful tips and practicing some starts hoping to grab some vital seconds that may just help them get a medal. Overall the Pittwater team came 6th. It was a fantastic result as no 6x50 PHS relay team has ever made it this far and the boys efforts need to be commended.

Another fantastic result was our 12 years boys relay – 4 x 50m – consisting of Sam S, Christian G, Max S and Levi K who finished an outstanding 4th in the final. Again a first for Pittwater High School.

Well done to all the PHS students who participated at the school carnival and congratulations to everyone who represented Pittwater at Zone, Regional and CHS. You have done your school proud!

Good luck in the pool next year, and let’s look forward to some fantastic performances at our Cross Country Carnival (Thurs 9th May) & Athletics Carnival (Monday 13th May). We look forward to seeing parents there.

Also a big thank you to Mr Askew for coordinating all the swimming management your efforts made it flawless in the running of the carnival and managing the team.

Congratulations Pittwater !!!

Luke B
Senior Prefect - Sport
Swimming Captain 2013
Representative Rugby League

Congratulations to Nathan Giles (year 12) and Tom Trbojevic (year 11) open level, and Lachlan Rose (year 10) under 15 level, who have been selected in the Sydney North Regional Rugby League teams to compete at the Sydney Metropolitan Rugby League Championships. These very talented players will vie for selection in a Sydney team that will compete at the NSW Schoolboy Championships. We wish them the best of luck in gaining a Sydney jumper and are all an excellent prospects.

Tom’s older brother Jake, after a stellar junior schoolboy representative schoolboy career representing Pittwater High, recently played for NSW for the second year in the interstate Under 20 State Of Origin, again defeating Queensland. Jake is a dominant player for the Manly Sea Eagles Under 20 team and appears destined for an NRL career in the near future.

Gala Days

Pittwater High will be fielding teams in the under 14, under 16 and Open divisions in the upcoming gala days at the Academy of Sports, Narrabeen. All of these teams are very strong and we look forward to some good results.

Jamie Lyon Cup

Pittwater will again field a team in this year 7 competition after school on Thursdays this term, and again will host the Northern pool at our school. Our team has been preparing well under the coaching of Mr Kovacs.
NAPLAN

“The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. It has been an annual event for schools since 2008.

On Tuesday 14, Wednesday 15 and Thursday 16 May, students will take the 2013 NAPLAN tests.

NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australia children. It also provides valuable information that allows schools and governments to better target effort and support to help all students achieve their potential and acquire the basic skills to help them build successful and happy lives.

All students are expected to participate in the tests. Students with disability may qualify for reasonable adjustments that reflect the support normally provided to them in the classroom. Some students with very specific circumstances may be exempted from participating in the tests. For information about participation in NAPLAN, you can go to: http://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support.html

NAPLAN tests fundamental skills rather than specific content, and as such is not a test for which students can study or drill. The best way you can help your child prepare for NAPLAN is to let them know that NAPLAN is just one part of their school program, and to urge them to simply do the best they can on the day. The use of services by coaching providers is not recommended.

An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. Parents can use this information to monitor how their child is progressing and to identify any areas of concern. Parents may also wish to use their child’s results to discuss progress with teachers. More information is available at www.nap.edu.au.”

Matt Honeywood—Rel Head Teacher Teaching and Learning
NAPLAN Coordinator

**Girls Under 15 Knockout Soccer Report**

Friday 3 May: our girls made an early start to Barrenjoey High to compete in the first round of the Under 15 Girls Knockout Soccer, (Football) Competition. It looked positive in the start of the game but it didn’t take Barrenjoey long to find the back of the net and they proceeded to dominate the first half by scoring a few more goals. Half time score: 4-0 (Barrenjoey possessed 3 Representative players and many Division 1 girls who had played in the Champion of Champions competition last year and got to the final)

Second half saw us fight hard but we struggled to maintain possession from a well seasoned team. We had our chances but their defence was strong. I was impressed with all of the girls’ determination and their “never say die” attitude but a special mention must go to Jess Tetlow who reluctantly stayed in goals even though she was desperate for a run as she saved many spectacular goals. The score could have been much worse. Final result: 9-0

Tanika Bryant  
Jess Tetlow  
Zara Harrison  
Madie Magno  
Ashlee Green  
Candice Nicholson  
Meg Sloan  

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Jess Monty  
Taylor Springthorpe  
Kezia Holland  
Jess Ratcliffe  
Ella Harvey  
Alicia Roue  

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J. Bates, (Manager/Coach)
PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL
ATHLETICS CARNIVAL
Compulsory School Day

DATE: Monday 13th May, 2013

VENUE: Academy of Sport, Narrabeen

TIME: 8.55am Roll call in the Quad – Years 7 – 12
       Buses depart school
       3.25pm – All students dismissed from school

COST: A carnival levy is included in school fees.

Everyone must travel to and from the venue by bus.

Remember to wear your sport uniform with house colours. Keep the house spirit alive!!!

Field events & track events for all age groups.

GOOD LUCK!!
THURSDAY 9 MAY

PERIOD 3:  ALL Year 10 Classes to the oval. and Year 11 & 12 competitors only.

PERIOD 4:  ALL Year 8 and 9 Classes to the oval and Year 10 15yrs. competitors only.

PERIOD 5:  ALL year 7 Classes to the oval and Year 8 13 yrs. competitors only.

You run in the age that you turn by December 31 2013.
On the morning of 10th April, the year 9 Debating Team at Pittwater High stepped out of their comfort zone to experience their first debate. The topic, ‘Should students have to wear uniform’ was chosen and a coin was flipped, resulting in us taking the negative side.

The first speaker from Barrenjoey took the floor, claiming that uniforms discriminated against minority groups citing they prohibited the Muslim culture from wearing hijabs. Pittwater’s first, second and third speakers rebutted this point thought the entire argument, and provided and maintained multiple structured arguments throughout their case line.

Barrenjoey’s structured team approach versed Pittwater’s insightful points and swift rebuttals. The debate was declared drawn.

Both teams, however, left with the knowledge that they did their best and committed to taking up the challenge against each other again this year!

Meg Lanham

ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATION

On the last Thursday of Term One Pittwater High School paused to remember those who have sacrificed their lives for their country in wartime. This outdoor commemoration is conducted by our year 12 leaders and is an occasion where the school is perfectly behaved as they listen to a number of speakers from the prefect body. The prefects select their own topic which they research and present to the school.

This year, our School Captains Eden Groeneveld and Nick Northey conducted the ceremony. Nick explained the Anzac Legend and Claudia Brodtke and Claudia Longgren-Hall spoke about their perception of Remembrance. Katie Gurman, motivated by her grandfather’s experiences, discussed the forgotten war, Korea. Nikhil Narayan spoke about modern peacekeeping, with a focus on Australia’s role in East Timor. Cadet, Brad Webeck outlined the heroics of VC winner, Ben Roberts-Smith. Roberts-Smith interestingly spoke at the Anzac Day dawn service at the Australian War memorial in Canberra.

Vice Captain Amy Logan recited The Ode and Pittwater’s musical talent and expertise was on display. Emily Fogarty of year 7 played Reveille and The Last Post and Katie Staddon of year 11 led the school, with the support of the band, in singing the National Anthem.

Thank you to all students for their participation and to Dr Hardy for his organisation of the music, which added so much to the occasion.

Sharon Behringer - Head Teacher HSIE
May 2013 | Pittwater High School Instrumental Music Programme.

MUSIC NEWS  
TERM 2 WEEK 2

PERFORMANCE & MEETING DATES

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<td>13 May 2013 Recording for Application into the Arts Unit Instrumental Festival. Students to be in full uniform.</td>
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AMEB and other achievements ... this is one of the times in the year when our students sit AMEB exams and attend Eisteddfods. We would love to celebrate the achievements of your children, so if you would like to share them with us, please let us know and we will include the information in the Newsletter.

Arts Unit Eisteddfod Orchestra, 15 September: If you are interested in having your name put forward for this (an email was sent to all of you last week). Please see Dr Hardy NOW. Deadline is 10 May for Dr Hardy to inform the Arts Unit.

Stage Bands: We desperately need final payments for the Port Macquarie tour. Invoices need paying and organisers need exact numbers. The meeting on Tuesday, 7 May, is COMPULSORY for students and at least one parent, who are attending the tour. Medical forms need completing, so please have all the information you need for these, with you.

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Band President - Karin Krueger: karin@kdmedia.com.au or 0419 991 267;
Secretary - Joanne Gwatkin-Williams: joanne@thevastydeep.com or 0437 408 801;
Treasurer – Rick Elliott: icycold@outlook.com or 0400 461 941;
Uniform – Geri Bergstein: geribergstein@hotmail.com or 0407 602 795.

HOPE YOU ALL HAD A GREAT BREAK ... welcome back – this is going to be a BIG term for all our musicians.
# 2013 NSW STATE WIND BAND
# STUDENT NOMINATION FORM

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## SIGNATURES

Signature of Applicant __________________________ Date _____ / _____ /2013

Signature of Parent __________________________ Date _____ / _____ /2013

Please complete and return to Di Hall: Regional Arts Coordinator, New England, PO Box 370 Tamworth 2340;
Fax 67555020 Email: di.c.hall@det.nsw.edu.au;

NOMINATIONS EXTENDED TO FRIDAY 12 APRIL 2013; NO LATE APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED; DO NOT SEND MONEY WITH FORM
Year 11 and 12 TAFE students: started this week. Students MUST inform me if they are going to be absent for any reason!

Careers Lessons for Year 10: in Maths classes this term, we will be continuing to build their “Career Portfolio” by using the “Job Guide” book, preparing to attend the “Careers Expo” at Miramare Function Centre, Terrey Hills on May 17th and then getting ready for year 11 and 12 subject selection at the end of term! Some students will be undertaking Work Experience too, remember the documentation MUST be in 2 weeks before the Work Experience week!

TAX FILE NUMBER applications: another school group application will happen in the middle of this term.

SAILMAKING APPRENTICESHIP: “North Sails Australia” is interested in employing young, motivated and enthusiastic people who are interested in taking on a sail and canvas making marine traineeship. This is a 4 year course where for 2 years of this time, they are required to go to TAFE part time. The course teaches the fundamental skills of sail making through both a hands on practical approach working in the industry and theory sessions and assignments through the TAFE. On completion of the course they will become a qualified Sail or Canvas maker by trade. North Sails is the leading sail manufacture worldwide and working in the company can lead to some very exciting career opportunities in the marine industry. Here is a link to our website so you can read more about what we do and who we are: [www.northsails.com.au](http://www.northsails.com.au) If interested, please contact: Dave O’Connor

YEARS 10, 11 and 12 STUDENTS: Please log onto “My High School Careers” website-Pittwater High School subscribes to this website. To login: use “parent” or “student” then password “outlook”. You can also register for email alerts! The “Calendar” is great info!

J. Bates—Careers Adviser
In the April school holidays Harley W, Angus S, James F, Xavier K and Travis T made a serious attempt at winning the 2013 CHS Secondary Schools Championship. Sailing “Melges Asia Pacific”, a fast family-oriented 20 foot Harry Melges yacht and combining as four-up crews, skippered by Harley, they planned to race in the 5 day / 9 race regatta, held each year on the waters of Lake Macquarie’s, Belmont Bay. Kate F and Josy C also sailed in the school Pacer dinghy and Nick E sailed in a 125 dinghy with a BHS student. Unfortunately only five races were possible in this week, as the weather swapped from very little or no breeze on two days, to a consistently gale-force “howler” with built in 35 knot “bullets”, for the remaining three days.

This team of fine PHS sailors faced astounding challenges by having to race in both faint zephyrs at one extreme, to “survival sailing” and enduring gales with the same consummate presence and ease. To say each day’s team displayed exceptional teamwork and seamanship, really doesn’t do the individual sailors sufficient justice. Yet, this is simply because the boys concerned were not individuals, but very seaman-like, working teams.

They coped with a knock-down and its resulting fouled double wineglass in their spinnaker with the same resolve and dedication as they did when running off at 13 to 15 knots (about 30 km per hour) every time their yacht sped away on a spinnaker run.

Yet just as much concentration and discipline had been shown in their earlier races when they had sailed upwind and the wind was only a fluky 2 to 3 knots.

As it happened, a local 16 foot skiff won the CHS Championship title and a number of “go-faster” skiffs and a couple of international catamarans filled the top placings to the regatta, but the boys finished a creditable 10th placing among these forty four speed machines, and this despite having a handicap imposed on them which was based on their 5th place overall among the original one hundred and fifty four competing sailing craft, set at the outset of the regatta.

A “Very well done”, to this PHS team!

Stan Walters—Former Sailing Master at PHS (‘86-’97)

GOOD LUCK TO THE PHS TEAM SAILORS WHO ARE COMPETING IN THE FINAL DAY OF THE TEAM RACING STATE TITLES SUNDAY MAY 12TH AT WOOLLAHRA SAILING CLUB.
Northern Beaches ADHD Support Group

A problem shared is a problem halved

Go Come share your ADHD-related problems ...

The Northern Beaches ADHD Support Group is a new voluntary group offering support for parents of children or teenagers with ADHD via regular meetings.

The group is run by parents and aims to provide a supportive environment to discuss and learn more about ADHD and its co-morbid conditions in order to best help parents and kids alike.

Experienced parents and those new to ADHD are all welcome to attend our meetings to receive and extend support to other parents.

Depending on demand talks from ADHD specialists will be organised at future meetings.

Meetings will take place every 6 weeks at
Memorial Hall (next to the library)
1560 Pittwater Road, Mona Vale 2103

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 13 May 2013
Time: 7.00-8.30pm

A $2 donation would be appreciated to help cover costs
Please RSVP via email to give us an idea of numbers

Email: abddsupporgroup@hotmail.com
www.northernbeachesadhdsgroup.com.au

NORTHERN BEACHES
Volunteer Expo

Wednesday 15 May 2013
10am – 2pm
Dee Why RSL Club
932 Pittwater Road Dee Why
The Reef Room (enter from Cronus Avenue)
On-site parking available

GUEST OF HONOUR:
Michael Regan
Mayor of Warringah

VOLUNTEER PHOTOGRAPHIC & STORY EXHIBITION
"Celebration of Community Volunteering" by our volunteer photographer Gemillia Chell

Over 20 community organisations on the Northern Beaches will showcase a variety of volunteer opportunities within their organisations – ALL IN ONE PLACE!

Celebrate National Volunteer Week
13 to 19 May 2013
For more information contact Northern Beaches Volunteer Recruitment Program Coordinator
Phone: 02 9931 777 Email: hh@norburdbconnect.com.au
Junior girls winter uniform is tartan skirt with blue blouse NOT white blouse as shown in school diary.

ATTENTION: YEAR 7 PARENTS
If you have changed your contact details since orientation day last year, could you please let the front office know so that we always have up to date details in case of an emergency or just to be able to phone home with a message.

It is really important to have the correct details so please phone or email with any changes.

Thanks Mrs Roulston.

RED SHIELD APPEAL
We need students who are willing to volunteer a couple of hours of their time to collect donations for the Salvation Army later in May.

If you are interested please see Mrs Milliken in B4 for your registration form.
Parents and Students are invited to
The Institute of Chartered Accountants
Cadetship Evening on 15 May, 2013
at the Sydney Convention Centre.

A cadetship offers students the chance to work while they study a business or commerce degree at university. The Cadetship evening offers Year 12 students the chance to meet and network with a wide range of employers.

There will be information sessions where students will hear what to expect as a cadet from current cadets. The diverse opportunities available as a Chartered Accountant; presentations from Coca Cola Amatil and Vodafone and how to be successful in the recruitment process by two leading HR Managers.

When: Wednesday, 15 May from 4.30pm
Where: Sydney Convention Centre, Bayside Foyer, Level 1
Who: Year 12 students – (year 10 and 11 welcome too – cadet programme applications only available to year 12)
Cost: Free
Register: www.charteredaccountants.com.au/students

Peninsula Community of Schools Parent Information Session

The Peninsula Community of Schools has the great pleasure of welcoming Dr Alison Knight from BehaveAbility to present for our PCS parent community at Cromer Public School on Tuesday 21st May from 4:00pm to 5:15pm.

Dr Alison Knight is a nutritional medicine practitioner working mainly in the area of child and adolescent behavioural disorders. Her talk will cover why we need to eat nutritious food and what happens in our bodies when we don't, and how colourings, preservatives and additives affect behaviour.

She will also discuss ‘pyrroluria’, a common genetic condition (yet not widely understood by mainstream medicine) affecting about 10% of the population that can cause nutrient deficiency even in spite of a good diet. The nutrient deficiency, ‘pyrroluria’, can increase the likelihood of temper tantrums, rages, excessive sensitivity and anxiety in some children and can be effectively treated using nutrient supplements.

There are only very limited places available for this free presentation. Please log on to http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/home and type in the code LGW2W. Complete the details and choose “Nutrition and Children’s Behaviour” from the dropdown menu. Please bring along your confirmation email to attend this presentation.

Registration and tea/coffee available at 3:30pm.
PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM at 27 November 2012

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1. EFTPOS facilities available - 1% surcharge on credit card purchases
2. Cheques are to be made payable to “Pittwater High School Uniform Shop” and have a 5 day clearance hold on items purchased.
3. All orders must be accompanied with payment and put in an envelope, clearly marked “Uniform Order’, and placed in the Red Box in A Block or given to a supervisor in the canteen. Collect uniforms during opening times.
4. A selection of second hand uniforms are available for purchase at reduced prices
5. The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 8.15am to 11.15am, and located at the far end of the Canteen – enquiries 9979 6968 or contact the Uniform Shop manager Kim Gobbe.