



The Strathfield Scene



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Upcoming Events

Term 1

Week 6 4/3

- Senior Vis Art Excursion
4th March

Week 7 11/3

- Snr Vis Art Armory Visit
12th March
- School Cross Country
15th March

Week 8 18/3

- Greatest Shave Fundraiser
20th March
- **Family Fair Day**
21st March



Week 9 25/3

- USYD Aspire Program
27th March
- Mega Maths Day USYD
29th March

Week 10 1/4

- Snr Parent Teacher Night
3rd April

Week 11 8/4

- Easter Show Excursion
12th April

Principal's Message

One of the things I love to celebrate most about our school and community is its diversity, and each day we pay respect to the more than 60 different cultures, beliefs and practices that make up the rich tapestry of our school.

Sadly, the same cannot be said for all of society, as the recent tragic events in Christchurch, proliferation of hate speech, and ongoing discrimination across the world against different racial and cultural minorities, clearly shows.

Ignorance, prejudice and extreme acts of violence are not restricted to any particular group in society except for those who, regardless of cultural background or political beliefs, forget that we are all human.

In my leadership of this school I have always strived to help our students understand that the things in life that join us together are far stronger than those that make us different, and that the differences that do exist should never be a cause for discrimination, but rather should serve as opportunities for learning and understanding.

Multiculturalism and respect for diversity will always be at the heart of this school – because the community that is the heart of this school deserves nothing less.

Thursday 21st March is Harmony Day – let's continue to work together to promote understanding and respect, and celebrate our diversity together.

Random acts of hatred can never be allowed to overshadow collective peace and harmony.

Simon Paterson



Senior Biology field trip - Narrabeen rock platform

As part of a depth study, year 11 and 12 students studying Biology travelled to the Narrabeen rock platform in the Northern Beaches. They studied the ecosystem in a variety of ways including doing surveys and quadrat sampling, and collected data on the algae, animals and environmental factors.

For some students, it was their first time seeing a rock platform and they were quite enthralled.



Breakfast club run by senior Hospitality students

Breakfast club is open for all students every morning from 8-830, providing them with some nutritious and healthy options for breakfast with at least 50 students taking the opportunity each morning.

Senior hospitality students open and setup the kitchens in preparation for the morning rush, they prepare several hot food options for offer and take care of cleaning up at the end of their morning shift. Hospitality students gain valuable experience doing jobs like this around the school and even catering for our large events such as Graduation, family fair day, etc.

It is with the assistance of teachers volunteering their time to supervise in the mornings and Hospitality students preparing food that great programs like this are able to run for our students.



Earth & Environmental Science - Taronga Zoo

Earth and Environmental Science students completed their Depth Study on water treatment at Taronga Zoo. Students were excited to come in close contact with baby sugar gliders, frogs, bilbies and many other animals, which was an extraordinary experience only available via the new education facility.



Geography area referencing activity

Year 7/8 Hearing Support have been working on Area Reference in Geography. They decided to mark a grid out on the floor so they could place themselves in the grid at designated spots by using kinaesthetic, visual learning to physically demonstrate a concept. Hearing Support Unit, Week 4.



School Swimming Carnival

