



Principal's Report

Mr David Rule

Right now I am trying to see where the year has gone as we shut the door on Term 3. There have been so many wonderful achievements during this time and always plenty of changes taking place in the school. It really does feel like everything happens so quickly.

With Term 3 drawing to a close we take the time to farewell Year 12 as they come nearer to completing their journey through 13 years of schooling. It has been a challenging last 2 years but I have nothing but praise for them as a collective and the way that they have navigated through the uncertainty of 2021/22.



For many of them, Davidson has been their home for the past 6 years and for those who have joined the adventure mid trip, they have been welcomed with open arms by their peers.

A big shout out to all the parents of Year 12 students. I know you have been an integral part of the journey and you must all be very proud of what has been achieved.

A special thank you to Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Mendham for all their support, patience and hard work in keeping the students together, motivated and functional over the past 2 years. In particular Mrs Mendham, who has been with Year 12 since their very first day in high school many years ago in 2017. Her commitment and care for the year group has been invaluable for the students.

Having said all this, there is still a small thing called the HSC. I wish every student the best of luck in their impending exams and encourage them all to study effectively and efficiently. It is never too late to do that little bit extra.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank, and congratulate, Matt Humphrey and Hannah Woolf and all the school prefects on their positive and enthusiastic contributions to our school and community over the past 12 months.

Matt and Hannah have been exemplary leaders who have set incredibly high standards for others to follow. They have always been generous, empathetic and highly motivated but most significantly, they have really cared about our school and the students in it.

So this leads me to welcome our new school captains and vice captains for 2023 who have big shoes to fill but I am sure will do it in their own unique ways.

Congratulations to Roya Rossi and Aaron Gerrard who are our 2023 School Captains. Our Vice Captains are Zac Stapleton, Will Hamilton, Laura Judson and Ally Gauci.

We are very lucky to have so many inspiring and strong leaders in our school and I am confident they will bring enthusiasm and positivity to a great school community.

Finally I would like to thank all families, students and staff for managing another busy and challenging term.

The continued commitment to our school makes it an enjoyable place to be every day. The past few years has shown us that it very much takes a village to raise a child and I appreciate and value the input and support from families in the Davidson community.

I wish for everyone to have a safe and enjoyable break and I look forward to our return on Tuesday 11 October, refreshed and energised for the home stretch.

Vision

Davidson High School is an inclusive community school, committed to fostering strong, trusting and positive connections between students, staff and parents that develop the values of courage, confidence and compassion. We believe a collaborative approach to learning in the classroom will support and develop risk taking in learning and inspire students to strive for excellence. Our staff reflect upon their practice and build their capacity to deliver quality teaching that grows student attainment.



Deputy Principal's Report

Mrs Meghan Ferguson

Where did the term go?

Term 3 has flown by, filled with so many different opportunities for students and staff. Reading through the dispatch it is great to see so many students taking the varied opportunities provided in Sport, TAS, Creative Arts, Library and Science. We are very proud of the students who represent our school community in such a positive way and enjoy sharing their success.

Facebook Page

Davidson High School has joined the world of Facebook with its very own page to celebrate student success. Feel free to follow us and see the fabulous things happening in school and in our amazing students lives.

Prefect Investiture

2022 Year 12 Captains and Prefects were celebrated at a Prefect afternoon, highlighting their success in raising funds for their charity of choice 'Gotcha for Life' and leading our school through the challenges of 2022.

Our new captains for 2023 were also formally inducted into their roles, pledging to serve the school and its community through their time in leadership. School Captains for 2023 are Aaron Gerrard and Roya Rossi. Vice Captains for the year are Alessandra Gauci, Laura Judson, Will Hamilton and Zac Stapleton.



The prefects for 2023 are:

Hannah Barlow	Kirra Budd
Mia Friedlein	Bella Gee
Ella Hamilton	Lila Jones
Penelope Law	Sarah MacGregor
Charlotte Mottram	Kiera Nolan
Madeline Rose	Charlotte South
Elise Wallace	Henry Marsden
Riley Nolan	Loucca Panetta
Joshua Davies-Mee	

We are very pleased to have such a great group of students working in leadership roles in our school. We look forward to seeing their contributions to the school through leadership councils, guiding students from across the years to make a positive contribution to our school community.

A big thank you to Mrs Everingham for her efforts in organising the process as well as supplying a beautiful afternoon tea for our leadership group and their parents.



Attendance

This year has continued to be challenging for many families with illness and absences from school. As a school we understand and appreciate that unwell students need to be at home and at times there are appointments or family events which mean students need to be away from school.

The Department of Education Attendance policy states '*Regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential. Schools, in partnership with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students.*'

Deputy Principal's Report

Mrs Meghan Ferguson

Attendance con't

Many of our students have fantastic attendance records, but we would like to encourage all families to have the discussion about attendance and the need for continuity of learning to allow students to reach their full potential.

NSW Department of Education

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



Uniform

A reminder that on return to school in Term 4 students will be in Summer uniform. Please ensure you have Summer uniforms in the correct size or have ordered from the uniform shop. The uniform shop will deliver orders to your child at school to bring home.

Please see the following page of the school website to check the summer uniform requirements for all students or to place an order with the canteen.

davidson-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/uniform.html

Opal Cards

A big thank you to the school community for getting on board with opal cards for bus travel.

Ms Buxton and I have seen an increase in students prepared to catch the school bus home with their opal card. This ensures we are collecting accurate data for our schools travel

needs and keeping buses visiting us here each day. Well done Davidson students.

Good luck Year 12

Our best wishes go with the fabulous Year 12 cohort as they move into their study period before the HSC exams.

The year group have demonstrated amazing resilience and capacity to persevere over the last two years and we look forward to seeing them succeed in the HSC exams. They are welcome to come and see staff during the HSC period and I know that many study sessions are planned for students and staff. Good luck!

Mr Rule, Mrs Mendham and I are so proud of the achievements and lovely people Year 12 have become. We have enjoyed being able to celebrate their final day, Jamberoo fun day, Graduation and Formal this last week of Term.

A massive thanks to Mrs Mendham and the SASS team for their organisation of these events, we hope Year 12 have enjoyed participating and making memories for the future.

Have a safe, happy and well deserved holiday break, see you all in Term 4.



Year 12 2022



Celebrating Student Success

Declan Budd - Year 9

Declan Budd Year 9 enjoyed a very successful week in Brisbane at The Australian School Swimming Championships. He swam 10 events in the 13-15yrs age group over four days and came away with best times in six events, 8 gold medals (7 individual, 1 relay) and 2 silver medals (1 individual, 1 relay).

Good luck for the Australian Open Short Course Championships.



Joshua Clarke - Year 11

Joshua Clarke Year 11 will be performing in Seussical the musical at Glen St theatre in the school holidays.

Good luck Josh, we wish you all the best for a great performance.

Tickets on sale now and proceeds go to the Children's Hospital.



Ryan Hunter - Year 10

The NSW Waterpolo State Club Championships were held in the April school holidays. 14 teams from across NSW and ACT competed, coming from as far away as Tamworth and Ovens and Murray in the Southern NSW region.

Ryan Hunter competed with his club team SNB (Sydney Northern Beaches) Breakers. They lost one game in their pool before coming up against UNSW Wests for a chance to play for a medal. The team had a brilliant game, defeating Wests for the first time. This put them in the position to play for a medal where they outplayed Hunter from the start and easily defeated them to get a bronze medal.

Ryan was also awarded the NSW MVG (Most Valuable Goalie) and was also one of the "7s", one of the top 7 players of the tournament.

The U18s Metro Winter comp wrapped up with Breakers defeating Sydney Uni in a nail biting final. In a penalty shootout it was goal for goal, some excellent goal saving saw them take home the Gold medal by 2 points.

Ryan has also been reselected in the NSW Waratahs and will compete at the National State Championships being held in Melbourne in the school holidays.

He has also been selected in the Sydney North Boys Waterpolo team and will compete at the School Championships in Wagga Wagga in November.

Good Luck Ryan



Davidson High School Merit System



At the beginning of the year, we implemented our new Merit System which has been aligned to the school values of Courage, Confidence and Compassion (the 3Cs). Merits celebrate the positive behaviour of students daily whether it is in the classroom, wearing the uniform with pride or maintaining excellent attendance. Merits also recognise students who give back to our school community by participating in school events, councils, sporting events or helping someone.

Students can see how many merits they are accumulating on the SENTRAL portal. If they go to the SENTRAL link on the school website and login with the school username and password they use each day, they can find their award tally on the Welfare tab.

Ashley Grant, Jaiden Reid, Molly Macgregor, Emily Spratling, Kojirou Murata-Davison, Matthew Vane, Markus Froeland, Mali Anderson, Ada Morony, Alana Tipping, and Chirag Mulari are just a few of the students who have received over 100 merits this year for their contribution to the school, their studies and ensuring Davidson is a great place to come to each day.

This year we have been focusing on the use of the Merits in the school and finetuning the process. Next year, we will introduce the Bronze, Silver and Gold awards to recognise students throughout the year. This recognition structure operates from years 7 to 12 to encourage student engagement during the year. When students achieve a predetermined number of points they will receive one of these awards in a year meeting, recognition assembly or at the end of year award ceremony.

Ms Sarah Barrand





Maths

PROBLEM-SOLVING IN YEAR 7

Problem-solving is an important aspect in the learning of mathematics. While students who memorise formulas and a set of steps can only solve problems that they have already encountered, students who are problem-solvers can be flexible in their approach. They can draw upon a diversity of strategies to solve the problem at hand.

The benefits to fostering problem-solving skills include:

- Enhancing understanding of mathematical concepts
- Extending creativity and a willingness to experiment
- Building confidence and perseverance
- Developing logical thinking

This year, we have endeavoured to provide many opportunities for problem-solving in Year 7 Maths.

Problem of the Week

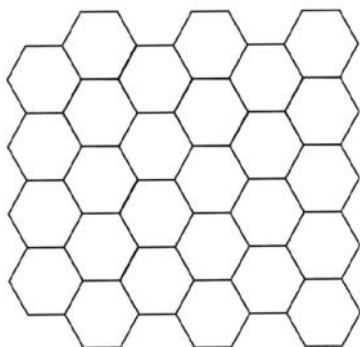
Every Monday, a Problem of the Week is posted on Google Classroom linked to our current topic, allowing students to put their skills into practice in unfamiliar situations.

Have a go at this problem for Week 3:

Problem of the Week Problem C Colour by Numbers

Jessica is going to colour the hexagons in the tiling below. Each hexagon will be coloured with a single colour. If two hexagons share a side, then they will be coloured with a different colour.

What is the fewest number of colours that Jessica can use to colour all the hexagons?



While this problem is not too complex, the more challenging aspect is being able to explain their solution. These conversations on strategy sharing emphasise the importance of being able to use multiple strategies to solve a problem.

We can then link problems to harder concepts. Did you know that any map can be coloured in with only four colours and no adjacent regions will be the same colour? Mathematicians were only able to prove this theorem in 1976, showing how hard it can be to prove seemingly obvious concepts!

Year 7 Mathematics Website

For students (or parents!) who are looking to extend their understanding and apply what they learn in class, we encourage them to visit and try a problem from the DHS Year 7 Mathematics Website (<https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/dhs-year-7-mathematics/home>). This website is accessible by all and has a range of fun and interesting maths problems that are organised by topics.

Games and Puzzles

So, what can you do at home to help? Games and puzzles are an excellent way to develop problem solving skills and there's an amazing range of games available. Here, our 7E students are playing Mabble (think Scrabble with equations).

For more fun games and activities, scan this QR code to head to the NSW Department of Education 'Maths trains brains' resource page.



Science

SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING CHALLENGE

On the 27 July a group of Year 10 science students went to Ravenswood School for Girls for an Engineering competition.

They were faced with difficult tests demanding both team cooperation and individual initiative which was vital to receive a good score. The bridge building was the big challenge which required one group from each school of 3-4 students to design and produce a 30 cm bridge that could withstand a weighted car going over it. One of the bridges weighed 60 grams and was able to support up to 8kg before collapsing.

Some of the other activities included were; Electri-City, paper straw tower, water turbine and helter skelter shelter. These diverse selections made it anyone's game to win.

For break, the students were designated a spot within the school grounds to eat and got the opportunity to roam around the vast campus.

Spencer Louis



Science

SCIENCE WEEK

In celebrating of Science week 2022 Glass more than meets the eye.

Students have investigated the fluidity of the glass, made edible sugar glass domes and participated in escape rooms.



 national science week 2022



Industrial Technology

YEAR 12 - INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY TIMBER HSC MAJOR WORKS

Year 12 Industrial Technology Timber students have worked on a range of projects across the course of Year 12. These students should be very proud of their works.

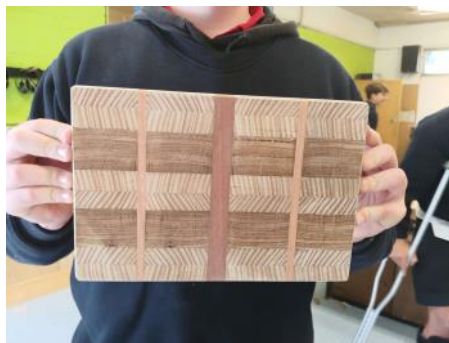


Industrial Technology

YEAR 9

Year 9 Timber Technology students have worked on a range of projects over the year. Starting with cheese boards and mallets and progressing to hand cut pencil boxes.

These have tested student's patience, perseverance and precision as they learned and developed their skills in creating dovetail, rebate and mitre joints using a range of hand tools.



Industrial Technology

YEAR 11

Year 11 Industrial Technology timber students have developed their skills with machines and tools to construct a pencil box and a turned project.

These projects have tested student's patience, perseverance and precision as they learned and developed their skills in creating dovetail, rebate and mitre joints using a range of machines.



Industrial Technology

YEAR 12 INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY MULTIMEDIA HSC MAJOR WORKS

Year 12 Industrial Technology Multimedia students have worked progressively on a range of projects this year including animation, web comics, advertisements, and music videos.

These students have dedicated a full year to design, develop and execute their major projects and have submitted their final products ready for HSC Marking.

They should be very proud of their works.





PDHPE

SPORTS REPORT - TERM 3

GRADE SPORT

The grade sport season finally wrapped in week 6 this term after many, many weeks of wet weather interruptions. Congratulations to the Junior Boys Basketball team who beat Forest High School to claim the title of Zone Champions for 2022! They went on to play the “super zone” final where they unfortunately lost to Pittwater High School.

Congratulations to the other Davidson teams who also made the zone finals including: senior boys soccer, junior girls soccer, senior girls soccer, open girls volleyball, and senior girls netball. We also had success in our Year 8 grade competition winning the mixed netball title.

Well done to all students who demonstrated perseverance in a waterlogged season, and a big “thank you” to all the grade team coaches!



GALA DAYS

Term three also saw our students participate in a number of gala days. Mr McNaughtan and Mr Pocott took three teams of boys to play at the Rugby 7s gala day, where we had varying success. Mr Pocott’s U14 boys team unfortunately had no wins on the day but enjoyed the experience. Angus Milne was voted most valuable player (MVP) by his teammates. Mr McNaughtan coached the U16s who came third overall, which is a very impressive effort. Ash Ellery and Ed Asprey were the MVPs of that team. Mr

McNaughtan also coached the Open team with the assistance of student Sam Riddiough, who made his coaching debut with a Craig Bellamy-esque performance. The opens team finished in third with Wilson Sarkies the MVP.

Miss Robb has been busy with netball gala days this term. A few words from Coach Robb below:

On Friday 26 August the Year 9 and 10 Davidson netball team played in the Sydney North Gala Day in Gosford. The girls played 8 games and won 6 of them, just losing to Terrigal in the final round. The team ended up in 6th position out of 21 teams. Outstanding effort girls!

On Thursday 1 September the Year 7 and 8 Davidson netball team played in the Sydney North Gala Day in Gosford. The girls played 8 games and won 5 of them. The team ended up in 10th position out of 23 teams. Excellent effort girls!



CHS KNOCK OUT

We still have teams winning their way through CHS state-wide knockout comps. Ms Jack’s U15 girls netball KO team won their way to the Sydney North quarter finals with a huge 66-0 win over Chatswood. In week 9 the team is travelling up to Gosford to play their quarter final game, followed by the semi-final on the same day.

CHS SPORT

Congratulations to Hannah Barlow in Year 11 who was selected to be part of the NSW All Schools Girls Softball Team. An outstanding achievement! Hannah and the team are off to Western Australia to compete at the School Sport Australia Championships. **Good luck Hannah!**



PDHPE

YEAR 7 GALA DAY

Year 9 students have been learning about the types, qualities and skills of a successful coach this term in PASS.

Their practical task for the unit was to put these qualities and knowledge to the test and take on the role of coaching a Year 7 team for Gala Day held on Tuesday 9 August.

57 students participated in this practical learning experience. Soccer, touch football, ultimate frisbee and netball were the sports on offer. There was a range of experience and skill level amongst the Year 7's and the Year 9 students worked well in coaching them, teaching them the rules and positions in the lead up to the day.

At the gala day the PASS coaches were responsible for ensuring the Year 7's arrived at their games on time, provided them with motivation and constructive feedback as well as encouraging them to achieve their personal best.

Although there was a little rain in the morning it did not dampen the enthusiasm of the coaches. It was pleasing to see the Year 9's shine in this role. Although not all coaches experienced victory with their teams, they were excellent role models for the younger students and they represented Davidson well.

We are looking forward to seeing them continue to put these skills to good use when they take on the responsibility of running some training sessions for the students at Mimosa Primary School.

Well done to all who participated.

Mrs Machar, Mrs Jack and Mr Wood

FROM THE YEAR 7'S

Year 9 coached us 3 weeks prior to the gala day. They helped us improve our skills and sporting abilities throughout the weeks we trained. On the Gala day they took us under their wing and told us what to do and how we should play depending on the situation we were in and the teams we were going to play against.

The highlight of the Gala Day was winning the touch football comp, undefeated thanks to the help of teammates and coaches.

I would definitely recommend participating in this event and hopefully coach later on in Year 9.

Gala day was a good opportunity to socialise and play sport against the other schools in the area and get to know other students in our own year group.

William Burge 7E and Tyler Carr 7E



PDHPE

RUGBY 7's - U 16's & 18's

The under 16s were the most successful of the three teams winning 4/5 games and only losing to Narrabeen by one try who went on to win the age group.



RUGBY 7's - U 14's

The U14's had a really tough draw! They had 3 of the top 4 teams in their pool and only lost to Bally by 2 tries. When they got to play a team who finished in the same place from another pool, they won 7 - 2!



Netball NSW Schools Cup



Congratulations to the Year 10 and the Year 8 Boys Netball Teams who were both successful at their recent Schools Cup Regional Final events involving the top boys netball teams from around the Sydney metro area.

Year 8 played at Netball Central on the 1 September and Year 10 played at Parramatta the following week.

Both teams have been working and training so hard for these events and it was wonderful to see them continue their outstanding form on the court.

The Year 10 team maintained an extremely high standard of play throughout the entire day and ended up runner up Regional Finalists in the Year 9/10 division after a controversial grand final.

The Year 8 Boys Netball Team were named Netball NSW Schools Cup Regional Champions in the Year 7/8 boys division after they won their grand final decisively.

This is an amazing achievement from both teams who will now progress in their respective divisions and represent Sydney Metro at the Schools Cup State Finals in November against the 7 other regional final winners from around the state, a feat that Davidson has never achieved before.



Congratulations boys!

Ms K Morrow



HSC Dance

The Year 12 Dance class completed 80% of their HSC Course on Wednesday 10 August. The HSC Dance Course requires students to perform, choreograph and appreciate dance as an artform.

The Core Performance worth 20% is a technical sequence of movements that requires students to work individually within their capabilities and limitations to demonstrate a practical understanding of their knowledge and class work. This includes Dance Technique, Safe Dance Practice and Performance Quality.

For Core Composition worth 20% students are required to follow a compositional process to create a work that communicates a specific concept/intent. They must then teach their work to a younger student from Davidson HS to perform.

For the Major Study worth 40% students choose an area of interest to develop their skills further. This includes Dance Technique, Safe Dance Practice and Performance Quality in relation to an interpretation.

I am so proud of these five talented and creative students Monika, Makayla, Gemma, Olivia and Hannah.

We received exciting news this week that Monika Bartuskova has received a Callback Nomination for all three of her practical components which means she has achieved full marks. Makayla Cragg has received a Callback Nomination for her Major Performance and Core Composition and Gemma Collett a Callback Nomination for her Core Performance.

It has been a joy teaching such hard working and passionate Dance students, at times it was tough, but we made it. I am so proud of what we achieved together.

Ms Kirsten Bailey
Dance Teacher



HSC Creative and Performing Arts HSC 2022

This semester Year 12 students in Dance, Drama, Music and Visual Arts completed their major works for HSC. Each discipline had a showcase night where parents and friends were invited to experience their final pieces and celebrate their achievements. These works have now all been performed and submitted for external NESA markers.

Congratulations to all students and teachers for all their hard work, perseverance and courage in working towards these major projects.



Year 12 Visual Arts Body of Work

Congratulations to the Year 12 Visual Arts students. An exhibition of their work was held on August 22 in conjunction with a showcase of Year 12 music students.



Visual Arts

YEAR 7 - CERAMIC FISH

During this term, Year 7 have been having fun making a funny looking fish face plate. They learned to draw and design their stylised fish, then learned to use slab clay techniques to make their fish body. Lots of imaginative and creativity through the process. Students taking home a fired ceramic sculpture to display proudly.

Ms Loretta Mangassarian



DAVO MINI ARCHIBALD 2022

Congratulations to the recipients of the DAVO Mini Archibald Portrait Prize.
Well deserved this congratulations for your diligent work and commitment.

First Prize is awarded to Asia Boles

Second prize is awarded to Annika Lucas

Third Prize is awarded to Marti Altamash

Highly Commended Prize is award to Qinn Street

The People's Choice is awarded to Sophia Garcia Miranda



Bronze Duke of Ed

On Wednesday 24 August a group of Year 9 students set out to the Colo river for their Duke of Edinburgh practice hike. It was a 3 day camp which consisted of skills training and two days of hiking.

On the first day we got a deeper understanding of bearings and contour lines and how they tell us about the landscapes we would be hiking. We also completely repacked our bags and cut down multiple kilograms of things that we didn't need. We finished the day with learning how to set up our tents, playing a great game of spotlight in the dark before going to sleep in our tents.

The second day we set out on the journey. This consisted of some very challenging inclines and rocky pathways but it was all worth it as at the top of the mountains was a great view of the Colo River and the mountainous surroundings. That evening we made our own dinner which was mostly two minute noodles, and some freeze dried meals for the more adventurous people. The next morning we woke up a bit sore but ready for the next hike. Luckily it was a much shorter day of hiking compared to the first day.

Overall it was an amazing experience, getting to create a stronger connection with people and nature. Can't wait for the qualifying hike!

By Zoe Griffiths and Kate Strain



Library News

CHILDREN'S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA (CBCA) BOOK WEEK

Davidson Library celebrated the CBCA Book Week this term. There was a Book Club morning tea where Book Club members shared their favourite books over donuts and juice. It was a lovely morning tea and celebrated the avid readers at Davidson.

The CBCA 2022 Book of the Year Award for older readers

Winner - *Tiger Daughter* by Rebecca Lim

Honour Books - *Girl in Boys' Cars* by Felicity Castagna

How to Repaint a Life by Steven Herrick



All winners and nominations for the competition are available in Davidson library.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The Premier's Reading Challenge closed on 19 August. An impressive 27 students completed the challenge. Certificates will be given next term to all students who completed the challenge. Well done to all students who participated this year.



THINKING SKILLS

This term, students set a SMART goal (specific, measurable, attainable, relevant and timely) to reach this semester. We will be checking in to see how we are going throughout Terms 3 and 4. The students worked on ways to develop their character strengths and growth mindset. In the last two weeks students will focus on having a positive digital footprint when being online.

Year 7 students made posters and wrote book reviews to celebrate Book Week. Students who created posters and book reviews that were chosen to be displayed in the library during Book Week all received a letter of commendation.



Library News

WRITE A BOOK IN A DAY



Write a Book in a Day took place during Book Week. It was a fun, creative and collaborative competition for students in years 7 to 10. Teams had just twelve hours to write and illustrate a book from start to finish. To make it even more fun, unique parameters had to be included in the story. Digital editions of the completed stories will be made available on the online library and shared with hospitals across Australia. Here is what some of the students had to say about the experience:

"It was awesome! Everyone was very nice and on task (most of the time). Lots of fun.' Ryan (Y8)

"It was a good way to meet new people. The right amount of time for the word count. Such a good experience!" Jacob (Y8)

"It was the best day this year so far! I want to do WABIAD every day!" Alisha (Y7)

"I would do it again many times." Rebekka (Y7)

"I'm counting the days until we do WABIAD again." Ella (Y7)

"A day to meet with my friends and follow my passion for writing. I was proud of myself because I have never finished writing a whole book before." Ariella (Y9)

"It was great fun. It gave us the chance to be creative and bond with other year groups." Lilly (Y100)

"It was nice to do something for charity. It was good to spend a day being creative with my friends." Edie (Y10)

A huge thanks to all the teachers and SASS staff who helped make this event run smoothly and successfully.





Rotary Corner



We may not have had the current Year 12 student leaders available for our annual Davidson High meeting at Belrose Rotary on 19 July, but the Year 11 budding leaders stepped up admirably, led by Roya Rossi who was the President for the evening. The other students were Maddy Rose (Youth Service Director), Amelia Hill (Community Service Director), Will Hamilton (International Service Director), Louca Panetta (Vocational Service Director) and Aaron Gerrard (Sergeant). They did a magnificent job and some of our regular Rotarians are now looking over their shoulders sensing that their position may not be so secure.

At the same meeting, we held our annual Davidson High School Junior Public Speaking Competition. Thomas Walker who spoke about 'the Benefits of Sport' (physical and mental) came first, Mikey Gray who spoke about 'why the world needs strong leadership' came second and Ailana Baba 'why community is important' came third. The other 3 speakers were Skye Blair 'our education system', Arwen Synacs 'horse racing' and Elise Clear 'fast fashion'. Rotarian, Adam Johnston, did a magnificent job in assessing the students and thanks to Tracey Fairley who trained the students but wasn't able to attend due to the dreaded COVID. Our members marvel each year at the calibre of speakers that come out of DHS and the class of 2022 was no exception.

As you read this, Joanne (my wife) and I are traveling to Europe and we plan to meet up with some of Belrose Rotary's former exchange students who all attended Davidson High during their 12 months in Australia (Lucie Buyse, Louis Escoufflaire and Julie Brettnacher). Watch out for the next edition of 'The Dispatch' for a photo or 2.

Soon we'll be looking at DHS to nominate 2 students for RYPEN which is a District Rotary enrichment program which is highly rated by students who have attended in the past. This is for students currently in Year 9 and is held over the Christmas vacation period.

If you like the sound of what we do, please communicate with me for details and/or visit our face page or website.

Kos Psaltis
Youth Service Director
Belrose Rotary
Mobile: 0402 205 628



Canteen & Uniform Shop

Positions Available



Uniform Shop Manager - Casual

We are looking for a new uniform shop manager – ideally you are outgoing and ready to discuss our uniform needs with suppliers and school staff. A good knowledge of Davidson's uniform is a must, as is communicating with students and parents. You will also actively encourage the wearing of uniform.

This role is approximately 15 hours per week, days negotiable with the exception of Wednesday mornings when the uniform shop is open from 8-9am. There are a few occasions throughout the year that an additional day will be required so some flexibility is desirable.

Canteen Assistant - Casual

We are also looking for an assistant in the canteen. The current need is Thursdays and Fridays approximately 9.30-3.00. This role is to assist in all aspects of the canteen, preparing food, serving at the counter and cleaning as required. No prior experience required but would be advantageous. There will also be the potential for an increase in hours or days if our staffing needs change.

These roles can be combined for the right candidate if you are interested in both positions.

Please contact Debbie Roche debrokepc@gmail.com for additional information.





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Community Information



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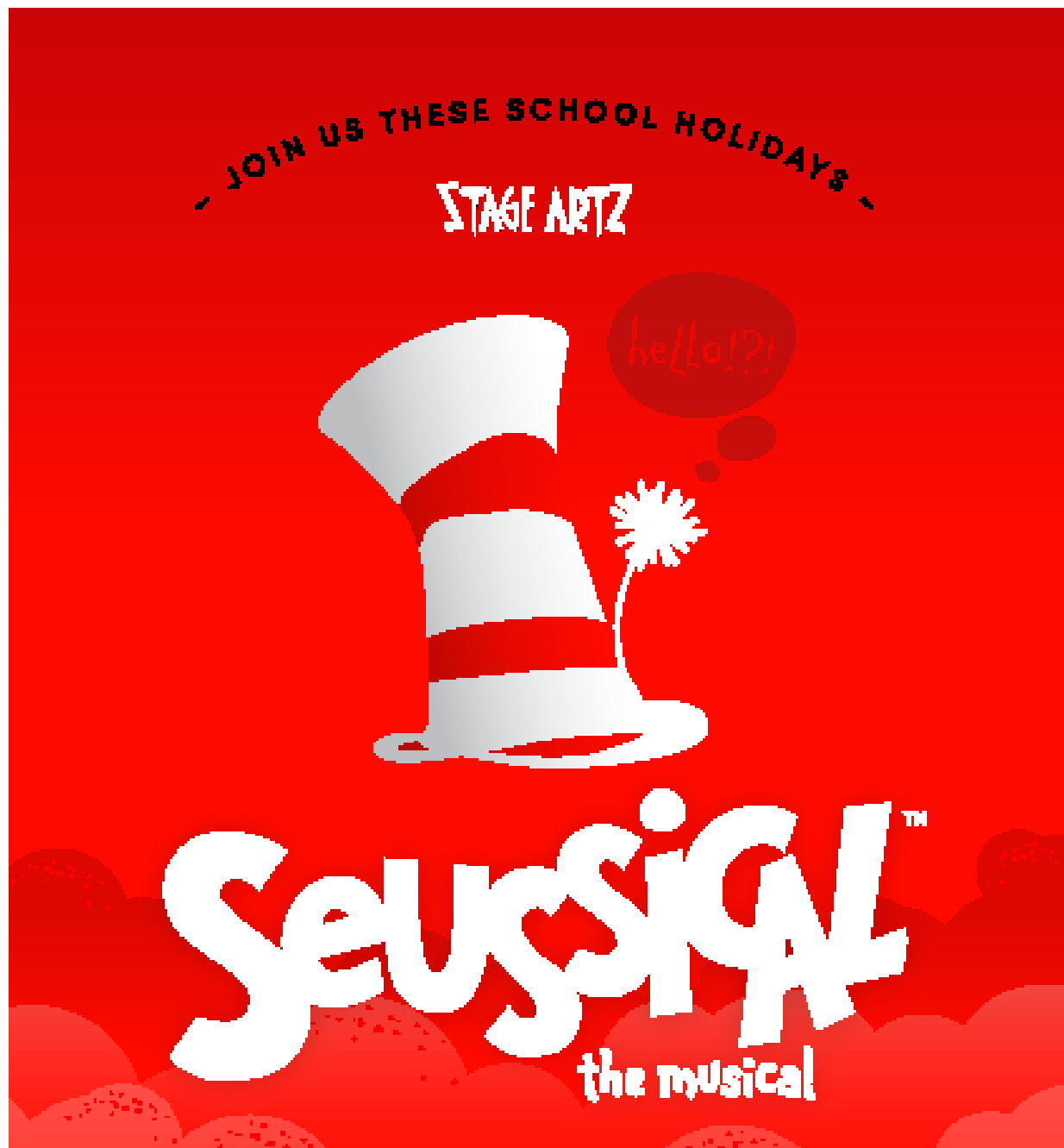
Season commences September 10



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Community Information



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Glen Street Theatre Foundation

Community Information



THE TWO-DAY CAMP IS PACKED FULL OF BOARD, SWIM AND BEACH TRAINING, PLUS PLENTY OF GAMES AND FUN THROUGHOUT. IT IS DESIGNED FOR NIPPERS AGED U9 TO U14 OF ALL ABILITIES.

We encourage young athletes to register if:

- you are looking to improve your surf competition skills
- keen to meet new teammates and make friends for life
- grow water confidence and skills seeking competition experience from our expert coaching staff
- Participants must bring their own nipper board.

**THE NEW & IMPROVED SIC IS BACK FOR ANOTHER SEASON !
THURSDAY 29TH & FRIDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER
@ MONA VALE BEACH
8.30AM - 3PM**

All participants are guaranteed to have a good sleep after each day of the camp.
Participants must bring their own nipper board. For further enquiries contact

Bella - 8919 2137 or Spencer - 8919 2138
or email: surfsportsadmin@surflifesaving.net.au

Open to SLSSNB Club Members U9 & over (2022/23 Season)

COST: \$200 FOR 2 DAYS, \$120 FOR ONE DAY

INCLUDES

- * **SIC SINGLET**
- * **LUNCH AND SNACKS ON BOTH DAYS**
- * **DRINKS THROUGHOUT THE DAY**
- * **SPECIALIST COACHES**

REGISTER HERE

<https://form.jotform.com/222397137218862>