

Parent Newsletter

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Last Day of School - 19 Dec
- Grip conference
- Hurlstones Archibull Awards
- Kirby Cup

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CALENDAR

Please see below the link for the school calendar –
www.hurlstone.com.au

November 2018

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Principal's Message

Secretary of Education Visits Hurlstone

On Thursday 8th November we had the pleasure of hosting Mr Mark Scott, the Secretary of the NSW Department of Education. Mr Scott was keen to spend time engaging with our students. Olivia Cole and Wes Honey, YR 10 SRC representatives, facilitated the tour of our school and explained what it was like to be a student and boarder at Hurlstone. Mr Scott firstly met Mrs Ross and members of the Archibull Team. Our team were busy packing *Brahman: The Sacred Cow* for transportation to the annual award ceremony. Mr Scott was very impressed by the research, artwork and applied learning involved in this project. Mr Scott then had the opportunity to tour the Centenary Walk and Clarke House where he met with the Mrs Kris Beazley (Principal HAHS –Hawkesbury), Mrs Leglise and the school Archive Team. Our students were keen to share their work on developing short films around key events, artefacts and people that have shaped the wonderful fabric of Hurlstone. Next stop was a quick visit to our library and a view over our new STEAM facility. Mrs Myles also had the opportunity to brief Mr Scott around the future focussed learning refurbishment of our library.

The final stop for our visit was with the school Prefect Team who were working on their strategic plan for the coming year. Mr Scott had previously worked with Sienna O'Dea in her role as 'Secretary for a Day'. The team were able to discuss with Mr Scott their vision for leadership in the school and their strategic focus for 2019. As a community we are very fortunate to be able to share the experience of our students with the leader of our education system.



From the DP Desk



End of school the last date of attendance is Wednesday the 19 December 2018.

But between now and then we have educational programs running to support students achievement and engagement this includes classroom lessons.

For your diary - Return dates 2019:

YEARS	START DATE
<i>Years 7, 11 and 12</i>	<i>Wednesday 30 January 2019</i>
<i>Years 8, 9 and 10</i>	<i>Thursday 31 January 2019</i>

Despite the landscape jarred with construction works as we await for our new STEAM building, the work of our entrepreneurial year 7 and year 9 students embracing the challenge of the \$20 Boss Program was evident. Their mission is to create and sustain a business over the course of this term using \$20 as a "bank loan". Whilst profit is desirable, their business needed to positively impact the planet and people.

Some students have found the project challenging as it asks students to identify what they are most passionate about. With so many passions, many found it hard to pick just one. The premise is that passion will encourage persistence and tenacity when the going get tough. However, many students formed groups and the challenge was to try and find a common passion or in some cases a compromise in coming up with a product or service.

Posters titled "Beauty and the feast", "The Donut" and "Fantastic Fairy Bread" tantalised the tastebuds and one could rightly guess what these students passion were ...

It is in this spirit of hospitality, that we invite you to uncover their trials, tribulations and triumphs at the Year 7 Trade and Display Day on 11 December from 2pm till 2.55pm at Edmondson Hall. The year 7 PBL teachers would absolutely love to host you on this day!

Kind regards

The Deputies

Student Leadership

GRIP Conference



Hurlstone leadership teams at GRIP Conference today at Sydney Olympic Park.

On Wednesday 7th of November, the HAHS prefect body and multiple executives of Hurlstone's extra-curricular groups attended the 'GRIP Student Leadership Conference' in Olympic Park. We focused on how to improve our leadership skills and school culture. One of the most important lessons that I learnt that day was that leadership is about the people, not position or power. As leaders of Hurlstone, we should focus on the students and use our character to help show our passion to help others in the Hurlstone community. Who and how we lead is one of the most important points that a leader should consider, as the school and society are led by us and our actions will affect how others react and behave.

The lessons I learnt from the conference opened up my eyes to see how I can improve myself as a person and as a leader. It had allowed me to fully understand ways I can lead Hurlstone during these times of change. This was an experience that I could never forget and one which I will cherish and apply to myself and others throughout my life.

Emily Chua

Year 12



One key idea is leadership isn't just about position, it's about people.

Mai Ni Pham

Ethical Leadership

Sydney Jewish Museum

On Monday 19 November, an assortment of prefects and other student leaders were given the opportunity to attend the inaugural Ethical Leadership Forum at the Sydney Jewish Museum. The keynote speaker at the forum was former NSW Premier and current Senator Kristina Keneally who spoke powerfully on her experiences as a high-profile leader and issues surrounding gender inequality in leadership roles. Student leaders were then able to participate in workshops which looked into the psychology of leadership and variations in leadership styles. To conclude the day, prefects and student leaders were empowered by three prominent leaders - a young entrepreneur, a Paralympian and a successful scientist based at the University of New South Wales – who all spoke about their belief in tomorrow's leaders and emphasised the importance of resilience in leadership. We enjoyed the day and are endeavouring to take the messages of the forum on board to improve leadership within our school.

Kind regards

Quang Phan (Prefect)



Photo: Katherine Griffiths. SJM Collection

Left to Right: Tommy Lam, Mikaela Hockey, Senator Kristina Keneally, Adam Dela Torre and Ms Pham



Don't Talk to Your Child About Leadership Positions... Talk About Leadership Opportunities

It can be tempting to talk to your child about their desire to be a school captain, a house captain or another leadership position. Having a one-off casual conversation of this nature is usually harmless, but it doesn't help if this is a continual conversation. The students who are inevitably chosen for student leadership roles are those that have displayed leadership qualities in an informal setting for many years. Therefore, talking with your child about everyday leadership opportunities is what is most helpful.

You don't even need to mention the word leadership in your discussion. Questions you could ask on a regular basis could include:

- **Did you volunteer to help with anything today?**
- **Is there anyone you spent time with today that really needed it?**
- **Did you try anything new today?**
- **What good ideas did you have today?**
- **How did you help your class/school/team/group today?**
- **Did you make any kind of sacrifice today?**
- **Who did you help today?**

These questions all lead to discussion about everyday leadership opportunities.

These types of questions may feel awkward at first, but as this type of conversation becomes normal between you and your child, you will be helping to form them in the thinking of a leader. Naturally, you should ask these questions in a non-threatening way, so that it doesn't appear to be putting pressure on your child, but invites them into a conversation about leadership.`

Extracurricular - HSIE

Mock Mediation Grand Final

On Friday 9th November a team of year 10 students competed in the NSW Law Society's Mock Mediation Grand Final. The Grand Final was held at the School of Law at the University of Sydney. Mock Mediation is a structured problem-solving process designed to encourage the parties to identify the issues in dispute, consider options, and work towards an agreement that will meet the needs of all parties. The competition provides students with the opportunity to develop, refine and practice co-operative problem-solving and conflict resolution skills. The team skilfully competed throughout the competition to beat out a number of high performing schools across NSW to reach the Grand Final. The team competed against Sydney Boys High School in the Grand Final.

As they have done throughout the entire competition, the students did an exemplary job in the Grand Final, doing the school proud. Whilst they were unsuccessful in winning the competition overall, the judges commended the students for their teamwork, their professional and respectful conduct and creativity in the final.

The team for the Grand Final was Ella Colville and Jay Hegde as the mediators with Antriksh Dhand, Mohamed Ahmed, Zahra Huda and Adam Zhang taking on the role of the parties to the dispute.

The other team members throughout the entirety of the competition included: Chris Tan, Rhucha Joglekar, Elizabeth Nguyen, Helen Ning, Jessica Ly, Cindy Huynh and Olivia Anthony.

Mr Sam Cavallaro

Head Teacher HSIE



Team: Ella Colville, Antriksh Dhand, Cindy Huynh, Chris Tan, Adam Zhang, Jay Hegde, Mohamed Ahmed, Jessica Ly, Helen Ning, Olivia Anthony, Rhucha Joglekar, Zahra Huda

Extracurricular - HSIE

WSU Kirby Cup Mooting Competition

On Tuesday 8th November, a group of year 11 Legal Studies students participated in the Kirby Cup mooting competition at Western Sydney University. Moots involve a legal scenario that

requires parties who represent either an applicant or respondent to advance arguments in an attempt to resolve the issues that arise. Essentially, it involves students arguing points of law before a simulated court. Participation in the competition helps to develop students' communication, creative thinking and problem solving skills as they compete against a range of schools from around Sydney.

The students advanced to the second round of the competition, performing to a high standard and skilfully arguing their respective side's views on the legal issue explored. Their conduct and application throughout the competition did the school proud.



Students who participated were:

<i>Cassie Bush</i>	<i>Kelvin Do</i>	<i>Obi Halwanji</i>
<i>Ojas Patwardhan</i>	<i>Sienna O'Dea</i>	<i>Rachel Porter</i>
<i>Quang Phan</i>	<i>Imogen Snowden</i>	<i>Nive Lembit</i>

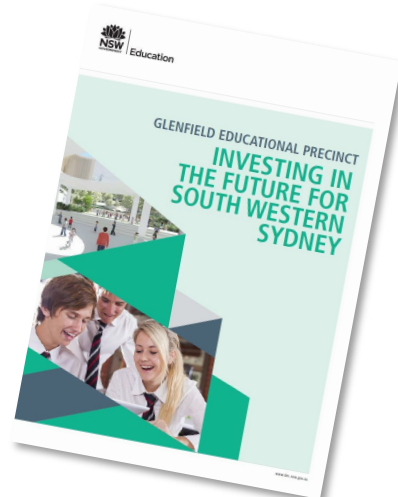
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Updates to Building Project

The schedule of work onsite at Hurlstone Agricultural High School Glenfield is well underway. Please check updates at the following link.

<https://schoolinfrastructure.nsw.gov.au/schools/hurlstone-agricultural-high-school/hurlstone-agricultural-high-school-glenfield>



Extracurricular - Visual Arts

Fisher's Ghost Art Exhibition

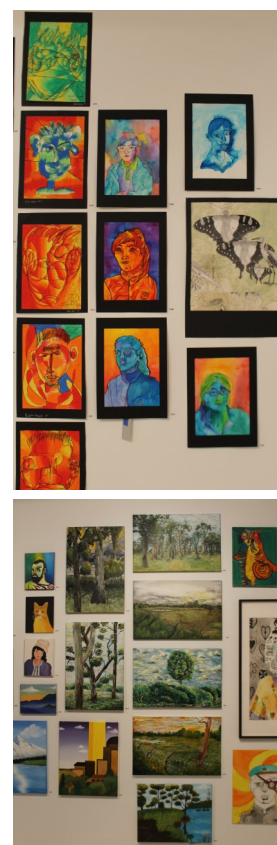
Fisher's Ghost Art Exhibition is an annual event run by Campbelltown Arts Centre. Representatives from Hurlstone Agricultural High School will be exhibited in the school section of the contemporary art show. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to exhibit their work to a very broad audience alongside practising artists. This year the exhibition will run from Saturday 27 October – Thursday 13 December.



The following students will have work on display for the duration of the show:

<i>Mabel Chen</i>	<i>Trinity Doan</i>	<i>Zoe Ray</i>	<i>Jayden Luc</i>	<i>Sophia Tran</i>	<i>Lucy Huynh</i>
<i>Tanisha Taashin</i>	<i>Suvarn Moodley</i>	<i>Debbie Li</i>	<i>Jessica Liu</i>	<i>Jacklyn Le</i>	<i>Kelly Nguyen</i>
<i>Evelyn Lam</i>	<i>Maya Lam</i>	<i>Jessica Lam</i>	<i>Amy Luong</i>	<i>Jade Qiu</i>	<i>Taylor Scerri</i>

Students exhibiting in the show will receive an invitation to attend the opening night on Friday 2nd November.



Extracurricular - Visual Arts

Hurlstone's Archibull Prize Artwork

Representatives from the Year 10 Visual Arts class attended the **Archibull Prize Awards Presentation Day** on Tuesday.

For those of you who don't visit Facebook, Hurlstone received the following awards:

2018 Archibull Awards

Participation

NSW Primary Industry Award - Best Bio Security Infographic

Highly Commended Blog

Secondary School Best Animation

Secondary School Best Artwork

Champion Secondary School

Archibull Grand Champion 2018



Congratulations!!

Extracurricular - Visual Arts

Sculptures at the Vineyard



Year 10 Visual Arts students installed 3 artworks in at Undercliff winery at Wollombi in the Hunter Valley for Sculpture in the Vineyards 2018.

Their work has been very well received by the public.

A photograph of one of the artworks is currently on the Visit NSW tourism website.



Careers Corner with Ms Keegan

MEET A KEEPER AT TARONGA ZOO Friday 26th October



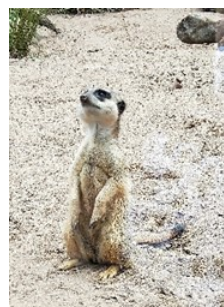
Students interested in a career working in the animal care industry enjoyed their day at Taronga Zoo. The program included a seminar presented by Zookeepers, Zoo educators and other Zoo staff members in the newly opened Taronga Institute of Science and Learning. Speakers addressed qualifications required, career opportunities and core responsibilities. Afterwards students were treated to a behind-the-scenes experience with the seals.



A living laboratory for conservation, education, scientific investigation and scientists of tomorrow.

The Taronga Institute of Science and Learning is a world-class facility combining science and education through research, collaboration and immersive learning to shape the future. Taronga's aim is to inspire and educate the next generation of conservation scientists. The Taronga Institute supports the essential need for contextual authentic STEM learning and, together with the wider Zoo sites, provides authentic, interactive learning opportunities in an environment of working science. The co-location of teaching facilities and research labs creates tangible links between theory and practice. Immersive Habitat Classrooms are the first of their kind in the world, themed around rainforest, desert and woodland habitats. A blend of living animal habitat and classroom, these spaces provide authentic learning experiences. Within the Taronga Institute there are a range of purpose built laboratories, including a multi-disciplinary research laboratory, teaching laboratory and cryoreserve. These facilities have increased Taronga's research capabilities and enabled further engagement and collaboration with universities globally to address key conservation

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Hurlstone Canteen News



It's been a while since we have given you an update of the exciting things happening in the canteen.

During September, I attended the ASCA Daily Fresh Tradeshow at Sydney Olympic Park to see what exciting goodies and ideas I could bring back to the canteen. I saw many healthy recipes and products from over 150 providers, such as lentil salads, pasta salad, fillet of fish and fresh yogurt with fruit. Along with the healthy cooking course I attended, it inspired me to look at introducing even more healthy options into Hurlstones healthy canteen cuisine. Come visit the canteen and select from even more sumptuous healthy food and drink choices.



In addition, I have attended a brief seminar on NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy.

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Hurlstone Canteen News Continued...

The canteen's daily specials continue to be extremely popular, with students asking "Miss, what are you making today", "Miss, can we have ...?". It is wonderful to see students appreciate what we make and take an interest in alternative food options. An example is our pasta with meatballs. The meatballs are freshly made in the canteen, then we use the one and only deep electric frypan to make the sauce, then we use the same one and only deep electric frypan to boil the pasta and the end result is delicious 'Hurlstone Pasta with Meatball Special'.

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HAHS Website
for Canteen
List



'The making of the Hurlstone Pasta with Meatball Special'



Freshly made Chicken Wings

Another important introduction to the canteen last term was the establishment of the canteen's herb and veggie garden created by Ben Nguyen and the environment group. The canteen veggie garden so far consists of tomatoes, lettuces and parsley. I have harvested the garden on a couple of occasions, picking parsley and lettuce for SASS functions.



Veggie Garden - Fresh Produce to Plate

I'm waiting for the tomatoes but they don't seem to want to grow. I think they are a little shy at the moment. They may need a bigger space.

At the beginning of Term 4 the canteen felt the loss of the HSC students and saying goodbye when the students are signing out is both sad and joyful.

Goodbye class of 2018, may all your dreams be achieved and remember when you are in the real world and you have to pay all other extra \$\$\$\$ for your pasta with meatballs you will think back with fond memories of the school and the canteen cuisine.

The Hurlstone Canteen Team xxx

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Uniform Shop

TERM 4

The wearing of blazers is compulsory for years 10, 11 and 12 as part of the formal winter uniform.

To ensure you receive your order by end of Term 1 2019 students need to place their orders by end Dec 2018. From now until that date they will be reduced to:

Girls 30-40 Boys 12-18 \$208.00

Girls 42-46 Boys 19-26 \$228.00

Additional Uniform Shop trading hours for 2019:

Saturday, 19 January 2019 - 9.30am to 1.00pm

Monday, 21 January 2019 - 9.30am to 1.00pm

Wednesday, 23 January 2019 - 9.30am to 1.00pm

Friday, 25 January 2019 - 9.30am to 1.00pm

Normal trading hours from Tuesday, 29 January 2019



Please see uniform opening hours below:

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

MONDAY	10.00am to 4.00pm
TUESDAY	10.00am to 3.30pm
WEDNESDAY	8.00am to 3.30pm
THURSDAY	CLOSED
FRIDAY	8.00am to 4.00pm

