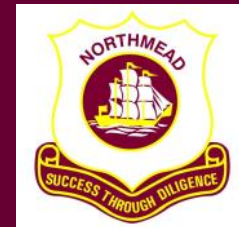


# The Achiever

Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School newsletter

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## IMPORTANT DATES

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<b>TERM 1</b>	<b>27.01.16 to 08.04.16</b>
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<b>TERM 3</b>	<b>18.07.16 to 23.09.16</b>
<b>TERM 4</b>	<b>10.10.16 to 18.12.16</b>

**PLEASE NOTE THAT 19 & 20th DECEMBER 2016 ARE STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS**  
**Students last day of attendance is the 19/12/2016**

## TEAM OF THE MONTH

### Mock Trial Quarter Finalists in the NSW Law Society Mock Trial



# Principal Matters

As term 3 Term 2016 draws to a close we are contemplating saying goodbye to our Year 12 students. Year 12 are feeling a slight reprieve with major works and practical examinations out of the way. Lessons continue to be very important as teachers and students revise coursework for the impending HSC final exams. Teachers will be available in timetabled lessons or by appointment for those final revision questions right up until the day of each exam, so do not hesitate to seek advice. **Remember the only silly question is the one that is not asked!** Of course the whole school community extends their good wishes to Year 12 in the upcoming examinations and in their future endeavours.

Last month and this month saw the heats and finals of Wakakirri. What a fabulous show. Monday night is the final for the students. We wish them well in their performance. Once again it features a moving Indigenous story line accompanied by some fabulous drama and dance. Congratulations to the ninety students involved and to Mr Flanagan, Ms Cullen and Ms Mattos. Fantastic!!

On another level Northmead students in Year 11 have had an amazing run at the NSW Legal Society's Mock Trial. This competition is a state competition which covers all sectors of education in NSW. Our team strategized their way to the top 32 schools in NSW, a notable achievement. Congratulations to Kerim Col, Matilda Walker, Maddison Lancaster, Tina Davidovic, Nerissa Qian, Muhammed Al-Harry, Jacinta Jones-Anjic and Chloe Ticehurst, I am sure you all have a career in the legal fraternity in the future!

Next week is Celebrating the Arts at Riverside theatre. Our dance, drama, music students along with the stage band will be performing. It will be three nights of local students performing exemplary pieces. Congratulations to all the students involved. I am sure they will be fabulous performances and I am very much looking forward to once again seeing more of our students on stage.

Drama Company this month also performed Lord of the Flies. There were two productions over four nights. It was interesting to see an all female cast and all male cast give their interpretations of the "Lord of the Flies". I know that the audiences were awed by the obvious talent of our students. Congratulations Company, we look forward to many more enthralling performances. Thank you to Mr Flanagan for all his work and inspiration to the Drama Company students.

In addition Drama students for the first time were selected for the ARTS ALIVE Performances. We had three performances Trump, Six and Australia's Not Fair. We also performed at the LIGHTS UP DRAMA FESTIVAL from these two performances Trump and Innuendo were selected and Innuendo was invited to the State Drama Performances. A wonderful acknowledgement of our students' talents. Congratulations to all the students and their teachers, Mr Flanagan and Ms Emery.

This coming month the prestigious VET Award ceremony will be held at our school. We were very pleased that a number of our VET students have been nominated for the awards by teachers and the employers and who facilitated the work placement component of the students' courses. I am sure the students will be very excited about the nominations when they are revealed.

On an artistic level one student Samantha Salter (Year 9) had work selected to be exhibited at the Armory Gallery at Sydney Olympic Park, more than 10,000 visitors viewed Operation Art this year. Congratulations Samantha.

# Principal Matters

This month Ms Boatswain ran the Indigenous Art Competition. There were some wonderful pieces of Art work displayed in the exhibition. Congratulations to Harrison Conroy (Year 10) **FIRST**, Elise Grech (Year 8) **SECOND**, Coda Ridley (Year 7) **THIRD** and Zoe Hookey (Year 7) **MOST POPULAR**. Congratulations to all our artists and to Ms Boatswain and Mr Auckett for curating the exhibition.

Writing their way to success was an eclectic group of students from the senior and junior years. Chloe Ticehurst (Year 11), Zoe Troy (Year 11), Adelle Vukojevic (Year 11), Soorya Konath (Year 10) & Katherine Stevenson (Year 11) wrote a Book in a Day, from 8am to 8pm. They managed through sheer determination and passion to write and illustrate their book within the 12 hours. The six year 9 students - Erin Collins, Penelope Collyer, Lara Deller-Haines, Daneale Gardiner and Angelina Luksza wrote their book and illustrated it beautifully – submitting it online 15 minutes before the deadline. Congratulations to all these budding novelists and to Mr Johnson for his support and endurance.

Last Friday the 2nd September Northmead CAPA participated in Jersey Day. This is a special day to raise awareness for organ donations. Students were allowed to wear a football jersey to acknowledge the importance of organ donation. Having had students who have received transplants we acknowledge the generosity and importance of organ donors and their families for giving life to those in need.

I prefer to keep newsletters to focus on the positives of school life; however I would like to state that if you are concerned about anything at school, please do not hesitate to contact myself, Mr Milne or Mrs Clifton. I do thank those parents who have contacted us about concerns enabling us to deal with issues. Often we are only good as the information given to us. Our commitment to you is to provide a quality education for your child in a safe and caring environment.

Regards

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## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW SCHOOL CAPTAIN

**Trent Drinnan**



### **School and Community Highlight of Achievements 2014-2016:**

#### **Trent has:**

- Attended the Western Sydney International Women's Day Forum representing Northmead CAPA H.S. (2016)
- Attended the Youth Mental Health Forum as a representative of Northmead CAPA H.S. (2015)
- Volunteered for local sporting clubs every weekend – soccer & cricket 2014-2016
- Participated in the Northmead CAPA H.S.'s Open Boys Soccer knockout team (semi-finalist)
- Been acknowledged for his sporting achievements – awarded the NCAPAHS Doyle-Henning Shield for Sportsman of the Year 2015
- Attended the Youth Summit, 'Open Minds, Open Arms' forum focussing on embracing Refugees into Australian society 2016
- Elected Vice-Captain 2016
- Completed the Duke of Edinburgh Award scheme for the Silver Award – community service, physical and endurance camp
- Raised awareness for Jersey Day as 2016 Prefect spokesperson for the students (2016)
- Committed to sporting endeavours – plays, coaches, referees/umpires soccer and cricket
- Committed student to the school community, school service and sporting achievement – achieved platinum level of the NCAPAHS Passport to Success

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW SCHOOL

### CAPTAIN

**Molly Dallas**



## **School and Community Highlight of Achievements 2014-2016:**

### **Molly has been:**

- Selected as Vice-Captain 2016
- Successfully nominated as Max Potential Youth Leadership Scholarship nominee. She impressively raised donations for the homeless with Parramatta Mission
- Elected member of SRC (2014-2016)
- Peer Tutor at Hills Special School (2014, 2016)
- A member of Women's Leadership group who raised \$500 for Ovarian Cancer through raffles and competitions
- Committed to academic excellence; First in History, Geography, English, Second in Commerce & Science (2015)/ Second in History (2014)
- Selected as a Peer Support Leader 2014
- A member of Social justice Committee – helped with 'Slave Day' 2015, raising money for the 'End of Slavery' campaign
- Leader of the Northmead CAPAHS Leadership team at Governor General's Admiralty House on Australia Day 2016. Featured in Governor General's film 'My hopes for Australia'
- Recipient of First Aid Certificate and Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certificate through PDHPE
- A responsible and committed student focusing on school leadership, community service and academic achievement

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW SENIOR PREFECT LEADER

**Zara Stuut**



### **School and Community Highlight of Achievements 2014-2016:**

#### **Zara has been:**

- An active member of the Mock Trial Team 2016 – NSW State Semi-finalist
- Elected as a SRC member 2015
- Acknowledged as Northmead CAPAHS Student of the Week for Community and Responsibility 2015
- 15 years Girls swimming age champion 2015
- Prefect 2016-2017
- Selected to represent Northmead CAPAHS at Young Women Leadership program 2015
- Raised \$500 for Ovarian Cancer Foundation 2015 – raffles and competitions
- Represented NCAPAHS at Model United Nations Assembly 2016 – representatives of Taiwan
- Participant in sport carnivals and grade sport: Zone competitions, Basketball, Volleyball, Netball & Soccer, Swimming 2014-2016
- Selected as NCAPAHS representative for International Women’s Day – focusing on Women’s Rights & Equality in the workplace
- Committed to academic achievement:
  - 2014 -3<sup>rd</sup> in English
  - 2014- 1<sup>st</sup> in Childhood Studies
  - 2015- 1<sup>st</sup> in Geography

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW SENIOR PREFECT LEADER

**Muhammad Al-Haary**



### **School and Community Highlight of Achievements 2014-2016:**

#### **Muhammad has been:**

- A school leader – SRC and Prefect (2016)
- A member of NCAPAHS Social Justice Committee 2015
- Selected as leader in Orientation Day 2015
- Committed to academic excellence(2015 – 1<sup>st</sup> in Science, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Commerce, 1<sup>st</sup> in Geography)
- A principled leader displaying strong ethics regularly at school; meets uniform requirements, attendance and demonstrates a commitment to learning, driven & committed student displaying excellent time management skills, completing assessments and work on time whilst juggling 4 outside employments
- Representative for the Eastern Creek Soccer Club- District Competition finalist, finalist for the NSW Soccer Cup 2015
- Active member of the NCAPAHS' Mock Trial team NSW State semi-finalist 2016
- Striving to achieve in academics , the sporting field and in the community
- A volunteer in the community – developing positive relationships, Villawood Detention Centre every Sunday, talking& bringing food to the Refugees to make them feel welcome

## CONGRATULATIONS OUR NEW SENIOR STUDENT LEADER

**Kerim Col**



### **School and Community Highlight of Achievements 2014-2016:**

#### **Kerim has been:**

- Selected as School Prefect and SRC representative 2014-2016
- Leader of the Yong Zhao Global Innovation project; Co-leading the school team of 20 students from years 8-11 designing a Personalised Learning App
- Active participant in Drama Company – outstanding performance as Simon in 'Lord of the Flies'
- Represented Northmead CAPAHS in 2014 Japanese Exchange in Kawaguchi
- Active participant & barrister for NSW Semi-finals 2016 Mock Trial Team and NCAPAHS Debating Team 2014-2015
- Successful in winning the Long Tan Leadership Award 2015 for his outstanding leadership at Northmead CAPA High School
- Committed to Academic excellence – currently 2<sup>nd</sup> place in English Advanced & Ancient History and 1<sup>st</sup> place in Drama and Studies of Religion (2016)
- Representative for the student body providing feedback to teachers and staff on the implementation and processes of Project Based Learning 2015
- Selected for NSW State Drama Ensemble – performing in the State Drama Festival and providing a positive role model for younger students
- Committed to community projects such as 'Real Choice, Real Men' film, World's Greatest shave 2014, Year 6 to 7 Orientation days, Taiko Drumming Group Leader, representative & winner of The Hills Eco Summit – impromptu Speech Competition (2016)



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW YEAR 11 LEADERS

### VICE CAPTAIN

**Mitchell Farrugia**



**School and Community Highlight of achievements 2014-2016:**

**Mitchell has been:**

- **Selected for GAT Program**
- **Representative for School Debating and Public Speaking**
- **Selected for Music CAPA Program**
- **Backstage crew for Wakakirri 2014-2016**
- **Exchange Student for Japan 2014**
- **Peer Support Leader**
- **Selected for Governor Generals' Australia Day Film Address**
- **Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award participant**
- **SRC Representative 2012-2016**

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW YEAR 11 LEADERS

### VICE CAPTAIN

**Stefanie Dellzeit**



**School and Community Highlight of achievements 2014-2016:**

**Stefanie has been:**

- **A representative on the SRC**
- **A participant in the Social Justice Committee**
- **Selected for Drama CAPA Program**
- **Selected for GAT Program**
- **A Wakakirri participant**
- **Peer Support Leader**
- **A Public Speaker**
- **Committed to academic excellence**

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW YEAR 11 LEADERS

### VICE STUDENT LEADER

**Macy Salecich**



**School and Community Highlight of achievements 2014-2016:**

**Macy has been:**

- **AN SRC member since 2014**
- **On the Agricultural Support Team**
- **Wakakirri Costume Designer & Organiser 2015-2016**
- **A Grade Softball team player**
- **Peer Support Leader**
- **Committed to academic excellence**

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW YEAR 11 LEADERS

### VICE PREFECT LEADER

**Harrison Conroy**



**School and Community Highlight of achievements 2014-2016:**

**Harrison has been:**

- **Indigenous Art Competition – 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner**
- **Indigenous Homework Club member**
- **A competitive Soccer player in the local community**
- **Committed to achieving academic excellence**
- **A proud tem player**



## Compulsory School Attendance

### Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

#### What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

#### The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

#### What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

#### Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.



## Careers News August, 2016

By Joanne Armstrong (Careers Adviser)

In this edition:

1. Check your emails and Facebook
2. EAS (Educational Access Scheme) and Schools Recommendation Scheme
3. Uni Open Days
4. Apprenticeships and Traineeships Opportunities
5. Pokemon Go and Surveying Careers
6. Western Sydney Uni- Free HSC Study Sessions in the upcoming September/October school hols

1. Every student is advised to regularly check their DET email address as I often send important information and forms to that address. I also pass on part time/casual job opportunities when employers contact me seeking employees. Year 12 students also receive information regarding HSC preparation workshops/seminars on such topics as "Effective study and exam preparation" etc. I also alert students to various school holiday Careers-related events such as "**Become an Interior Designer for a Day: Workshop for High School Students**" **5 October** at the Sydney Design School Level 2, 40 Oxley Street, St Leonards- more details are on students' emails or go to our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Careers-News-at-Northmead-Creative-And-Performing-Arts-High-School-433605563425997/timeline/>

2. Year 12 students: UAC (University Admission Centre) Guides, EAS (Educational Access Schemes) applications, information about early entrance to some unis and scholarships have all arrived at school – see me if you are interested.

Most of UAC's participating institutions have Educational Access Schemes (EAS) to help students who have experienced long-term educational disadvantage gain admission to tertiary study.

To be eligible for EAS consideration your educational performance must have been seriously affected, normally for a period of at least six months during Year 11 and/or 12 or equivalent, due to circumstances beyond your control and choosing.

For more details go to: <http://www.uac.edu.au/eas/> You can read about the seven broad categories of long-term educational disadvantage in the [EAS FAQ](#) or by reading the 'Types of Disadvantage' table in the [2016–17 EAS booklet](#).

**Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS)** are one way institutions make early offers to current Australian Year 12 students who have applied for undergraduate admission through UAC. SRS are used by institutions to make offers of undergraduate admission using criteria other than (or in addition to) ATARs. These criteria may include school recommendations, senior secondary studies and personal awards and achievements. Each institution has its own policies on how its individual SRS scheme will work.

Students who are not getting an ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admission Rank) can still apply for university via the **Schools Recommendation Scheme**. For more details go to <http://www.uac.edu.au/srs/>

Many other universities will be holding their open days in the next few weeks. For Year 12 students contemplating university, these open days are invaluable. Check details in jobjump and mhscareers newsletters which are emailed to students in Years 10-12 every week.

Apprenticeships and Traineeships: now is the time for students to line up an apprenticeship or traineeship for 2017:

**Qantas Apprenticeship Program:** Qantas offer apprenticeships at Sydney, Melbourne, and Brisbane airports. Applications for 2017 open in August/September.

<http://www.qantas.com/travel/airlines/apprentice-overview/global/en>

# Careers News (continued)

ii. **Apprenticeships and Traineeships:** Aurizon is Australia's largest rail-based transport business and a top 50 ASX company. Each year, the Company transports more than 250 million tonnes of Australian commodities and also owns and operates one of the world's largest coal rail networks, linking approximately 50 mines with three major ports in Queensland. Many apprenticeships and traineeships for 2017, with the opportunity to work across the country with positions available in Queensland, New South Wales and Western Australia. Register on the website for more information.

<https://www.aurizon.com.au/careers/apprentices-and-trainees>

iii. **Australian Government Cadetships, Scholarships and Work Experience Opportunities**

The Australian government has a number of cadetship, scholarship, and work experience opportunities within Australian Government departments and agencies. To view these opportunities, visit:

<http://australia.gov.au/topics/employment-and-workplace/australian-government-jobs/cadetships-scholarships-work-experience>

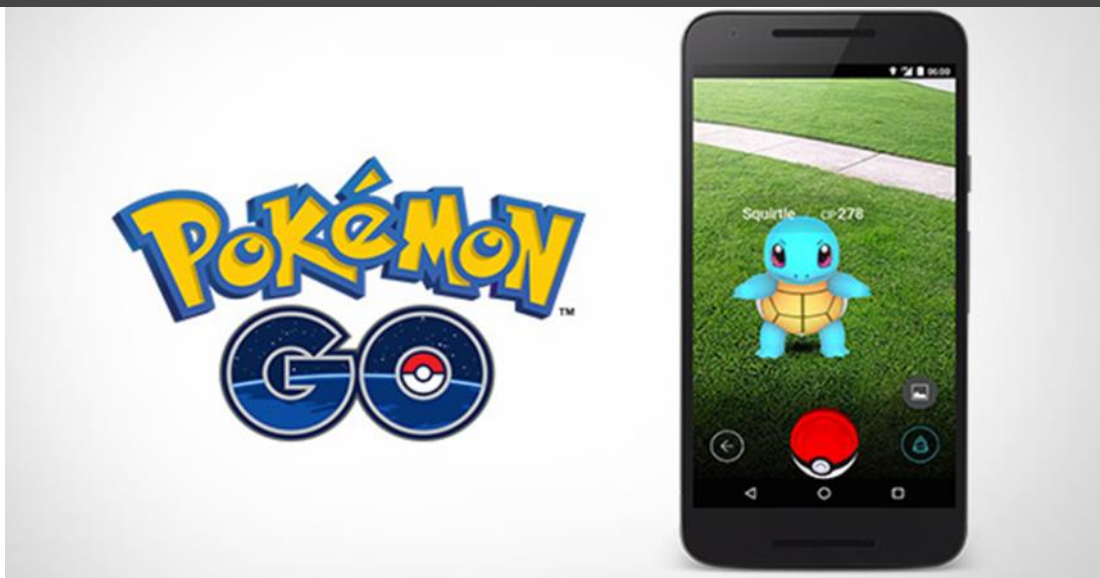
iv **Careers in the Australian Meat Industry**

The Australian Meat Industry is one of Australia's largest export earners, earning an approximate \$8 billion per year. It employs around 60,000 people from apprentices through to management.

It has one of the best training systems in the world with over 90% of the workforce holding a qualification or currently in training. <http://www.mintrac.net.au/car-ove.asp>

## 5. Pokemon Go!

What does Surveying have to do with Pokémon?  
Whilst you may be in search of virtual Pokémon, what you may not have realised is Surveying underpins the technology that makes the game possible.  
Pokémon Go allows players to find and catch Pokémon located all around them using a Geographic Information System, or GIS. A GIS is a database of information that pinpoints different features to a location, such as property boundaries and building locations.  
Cadastral or Land Surveyors are responsible for defining land boundaries and road alignments that make up the government "Cadastré", which is the basis for the world of Pokémon Go and GIS.  
So next time you play Pokémon Go, think of the mapping and analysis Surveyors have done to generate the Pokémon world, and if you are interested in maps and technology, a career in Surveying might be perfect for you.  
Find out more about Pokémon Go and Surveying [here](#).



# Careers (continued)

6. FREE HSC Study Sessions are available just in time for the HSC exams!

**Western Sydney University** is offering FREE HSC study sessions for students in Year 12 in the upcoming 2016 September/October school holidays at the Penrith and Lithgow campuses.

Study sessions will include **Standard and Advanced English (including Area of Study – Discovery), General Mathematics, 2 Unit Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Business Studies, Legal Studies, and PDHPE**. A session on Studies of Religion will also be offered exclusively at Lithgow campus.

These sessions have been developed to help students maximise their academic performance in their HSC. Facilitated by leading HSC teachers, HSC markers and the University's academic staff, the sessions will allow students to:

- Review mandatory syllabus content
- Receive concise explanations and workshop resources
- Participate in discussions and question time
- Learn examination techniques and preparation skills

Students will receive a complimentary lunch and attendees at the Penrith campus can access the University's free shuttle service from Kingswood Train Station.

Registrations are now open and places are filling up fast! To secure a place, students must register individually on [www.westernsydney.edu.au/hscstudysessions](http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/hscstudysessions).

If you have any questions or would like further information, please visit the registration link or contact the College team on 1800 222 423 or [thecollege@westernsydney.edu.au](mailto:thecollege@westernsydney.edu.au).

We look forward to helping your students maximise their final results!

Kind regards,  
Western Sydney University



# Our Office Stars and General Assistant

## SAS Staff Recognition Week

29 August—2 September

**Our jobs, Your children, Their future.**

**Thank you to our SASS for the remarkable work you do.**

**We appreciate your efforts**



Peter Diamond  
General Assistant



Jenny Jackson  
School Administrative  
Manager



Yvonne Keeler  
Student Services



Lyn Macchetta  
TAS Assistant



Karenne Raj  
Enrolments



Natalee Roach  
Relieving School  
Administration Manager

# Our Office Stars(continued)



Nikki Miekautsch  
Lab Assistant



Julie Skulander  
School Administration  
Officer



Denise Somerville  
WISE Centre



June Stepic  
Library Assistant



Sarah Vallejo  
Receptionist



Wendy Woods  
Properties Coordinator



Donna McFarlane  
School Administration Officer

# Schools Spectacular

Tickets on sale Tuesday 14 June!

[View this email in your browser](#)



## The Schools Spectacular is back - bigger and better than ever!

The 2016 Schools Spectacular - 'Dream Big' - will be held on Friday 25 November (11:00am preview & 7:30pm) and Saturday 26 November (1:00pm & 7:30pm).

This year's show will be held at [Qudos Bank Arena](#) in Sydney's Olympic Park and will star a record cast of over 5000 talented students from NSW Public



## Tickets on sale Tuesday 14 June

Tickets for the 2016 Schools Spectacular will go on sale to the General Public at 9:00am on Tuesday 14 June through [Ticketek](#).

Ticket Prices:

- Category 1:
  - Adults \$55.00
  - Concession \$45.00
  - Family Pass (2 adults + 2 children) \$175.00

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# Schools Spectacular

- Category 2:

- Adults \$38.00
- Concession \$30.00
- Family Pass (2 adults + 2 children) \$120.00

*Concession includes Child (4-15 years) / pensioners / seniors / full time students*

Get in early to ensure you don't miss out on the best seats to this exceptional show!



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## CAPA NEWS - MUSIC

### Western University Performance Excursion

Students from year 7 to 10 entertained the audience at this year's Science & Maths Exposed conference at Western Sydney University. Well done to all involved who demonstrated a range of repertoire developing performance and technical skills with such professionalism.



L-R Tahlia Brennan, Chad Sandico, Kolya Chan, Shayla Robson, Bailey Cummings, Ruhi Lavaki, Eklavya Mudgil, Ayeesha Karaali, Anna Chun, Tamaiah Phewa-Dladla, Hannah Duma, Violeta Bozanic, Tahlia Akyereko

### Meet The Music

#### Music Tuition

A reminder that payment of Invoices are now due for Term 3. Payment can be made over the phone or at our reception. If any students are absent please email to tuition coordinator informing of the absence so catch-up lesson can be given. Unless informed we are unable to organise. Any students who are interested in joining vocal tuition, please see Mr Wilson.

#### Showcase Performance 2016

Get ready for Northmead Creative & Performing Arts High School's annual performance event at Riverside Theatres in term 4 Wednesday October 19 at 7pm. Promising to be a fabulous night of entertainment featuring the Best of British music and arts from the last 50 years. Tickets are available from [Riverside Theatre](#).

Students involved in the production are to return permission forms to their respective class teachers. For all catering and DVD orders please order through [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com) - search for Northmead

## Schools Spectacular Orchestra & Stage Band

Opportunities for auditions for this ensemble are available for students of NSW Public School. Please apply online here [Orchestra & Stage Band Applications](#)

## 2017 Instrumental Ensembles - Jazz and Classical Ensembles

Additionally the opportunities to audition for the various instrumental ensembles for wind, string, brass instrument. Information and applications are here: [Instrumental Music Ensembles Applications](#)

## HSC Performance Recital & Exams

Well done to all Year 12 students who performed at the HSC performance recital evening. It was a perfect opportunity for the students to practice the delivery of their repertoire before their final exams. Year 12 Music 2 practical examinations are on Monday 5 September, with Music 1 exams on Friday 9 September. Best of luck to all students, work hard and aim for the highest standards possible

## Celebrating The Arts

Northmead Creative & Performing Arts High School will again perform at the annual Celebrating The Arts Festival at Parramatta Riverside Theatres. The wonderfully talented students of the Northmead Creative & Performing Arts High Stage Band will be a feature of the performance evening to be held on Monday 12 September. Tickets are available for this event from [www.riversideparramatta.com.au](http://www.riversideparramatta.com.au)

## Exceptional Student Achievement



Congratulations **Caitlin Handel** for your placement of 1st and 2nd for the Penrith Eisteddfod, Saturday 20th of August. Caitlin performed the following pieces and places:

- Grades 3 and 4, Gavotte by Emil Kronke, **First Place.**
- Restricted 14 Years and Under, Theme from Scheherazade by Rimsky Korsakoff, **Second Place.**
- Popular, Jazz, Boogie or Folk 14 Years and Under, Take Five by Paul Desmond, **First Place.**

A wonderful achievement for Caitlin who plays flute, and is part of Year 8 Performing Arts, and a member of our School Stage Band.



**Callan MacKenzie** from the Year 8 Performing Arts class recently performed at the State Band Championships and Solos. Has achieved second in both performance areas. Callan is also involved in the Parramatta City Brass Band and is highly commended on his wonderful achievements. Callan plays cornet and is also a member of the School Stage Band. Congratulations to Callan.



Congratulations also to **Violeta Bozanic** of Year 7 Music Performing Arts class has recently released her new single which she wrote and performed 'Baby I'm Sorry'. You can help support Violeta by purchasing her single on iTunes.

**Video:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=NYTvvVT-I6I](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NYTvvVT-I6I)  
**iTunes and Apple Music:** <http://itunes.apple.com/album/id1140193206>

## Schools Spectacular Featured Artist

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to Cameron Doherty who, after a gruelling audition process against 100's of NSW Public School's dancers, has been chosen to be in the Ballet Ensemble & Musical Theatre Ensemble. What a fantastic achievement!

We are so proud of you. Keep up the great work!



## HSC DANCE 2016

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to the HSC DANCE CLASS for 2016 for putting on an entertaining showcase for family, friends and teachers. You all did Miss Cullen proud.

A big thank you to the Composition dancers for all your hard work in assisting the HSC dancers in the HSC Exams:

Shaylee Pearse, Avigalle Mendoza, Trixie Supit, Riley Head, Melissa Riitano, Zane Carr, Cameron Doherty, Kaleisha Pearse & Emily Page.

Another CONGRATULATIONS for completing 80% of the HSC course in Term 3, Week 4. You have all worked so hard and have produced outstanding works!

Good luck in your upcoming CORE APPRECIATION exams in Term 4.





# CAPA News



## CAMERON DOHERTY'S NEW YORK ADVENTURE

From the 10<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> of July I attended The Juilliard Summer Intensive Program in New York City. To attend this program I had to put a YouTube audition together around Christmas time last year. I sort advice for my audition piece from Talia Fowler who was the winner of "So You Think You Can Dance" 2009 Season, who had also been part of the Juilliard experience. I also had to submit a written report from my RAD teacher with her recommendations for me to attend.

To my elation, I was notified in April this year that my audition was successful!!! To top off all my good luck, my dance school was already considering going to New York to do some Broadway Dance Centre classes, so I was able to squeeze those in before attending Juilliard.

The schedule at Juilliard was very rigid, we started each day at 9am, individual warm up was expected before every class and class ALWAYS started sharply on time if not earlier! We had half an hour for lunch somewhere between 12.15pm and 1.25pm depending on when your class finished and the next one started. Then worked through to at least 6pm each evening. This included a rehearsal we put together for the end of the intensive program that teachers from colleges and USA head dance eisteddfods attended along with our parents/friends.



We stayed in the schools dormitory accommodation just next to schools main building, which was next to Lincoln Centre, which is where many national and international ballets and concerts are held.

At nights and on Sundays we were allowed to go into city with our Dorm Managers who were 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year students at the college.

On the first day we were split into groups A & B. I felt the only difference was group A were all "ballet" types where group B were more "contemporary off a ballet base" - I was in group B.

We were given a timetable with around 4 different types of classes each day. These classes were ballet, men's/pointe for ladies, body play workshop, partnering, modern, music, Brenner Workshop - improvisation, rehearsal, yoga and Choreography workshops.

## **Ballet:**

Working in this class consisted of classical technique and repertoire. Barre work consisted of 2/3 of the class. Lots of time was spent on working on the fundamentals of ballet. Centre practice made up the balance of the class.

Every single thing you do in ballet comes from a plié, tendu, or a rand-de-jambe. That drew me to conclude that by having the fundamentals of technique 100%, would then help me to achieve the rest of movements at a higher level.

## **Men's Class:**

Very similar to ballet but we instead worked on specific steps that have been created for men. The lesson plan focused on building certain technique, with a close focus on men's grande allegros and pirouettes.

## **Body Play Workshop:**

This class was about finding new ways your body can move. I learnt that you're not doing what you think you're doing; you're doing what you're thinking. Also less is more!

Overall it was the hardest I've ever worked but it was amazing! Loved every second!



Cameron has also recently been featured in the Hills News Newspaper

See link below for the story.

<http://www.hillsnews.com.au/story/4096991/i-think-you-can-never-ever-dream-too-big/>

## **Congratulations Northmead CAPA Jazz Ensemble & Company 1<sup>st</sup> Place!**

**Ultimate Dance Challenge 2016**

Congratulations to all the talented CAPA Dance students Years 7 to 11,  
for their participation in the 2016 Ultimate Dance Challenge.

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2016, these dedicated ensemble/company members  
performed in the High School Variety and Contemporary Sections.

Due to the students outstanding performances the following results were  
received:

**High School Variety Section: Jazz Ensemble - 1<sup>st</sup> Place**  
**High School Contemporary Section: Company - 1<sup>st</sup> Place**



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### Griffin Theatre Ambassadors

The 2016 Griffin Theatre Ambassador's program was an amazing opportunity that I was fortunate enough to be a part of. I've met with many different schools and made new friends

and seen how much talent there really is throughout the state. We were given the opportunity to watch two plays, one of which I was not able to go, but the other was during the event of 'Ladies Day'. Ladies Day was by far an absolute favourite for myself and the other students from Northmead CAPAHS. It was amazing to see what a small cast could do with a minimum set and a relevant but

# GRIFFIN THEATRE COMPANY



simple story. I really don't get the opportunity to see many plays, however, The Griffin Theatre Ambassadors Program has provided that for me. The program has also helped me gain an understanding of theatre, the arts, creating and developing work as emerging artist and has inspired me as to where I want to take my acting Career.

*Samuel Litvensky -  
Year 11  
Northmead Creative and  
Performing Arts High  
School*

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### Lord of the Flies - Drama Company

Drama Company put on a production of Lord of the Flies. There would be two separate shows, a boys and a girls show. When we first got the script all of the Company had to go through an audition process to see what parts we would be playing. As first years of Drama Company, this was quite a nerve-wrecking process but as a result we both got the part of Eric. When we all got our roles the show had to get started.

The only way to explain rehearsals was intense, every Wednesday room 8 wed start off with a game of zip-zap then got straight into running lines, blocking check and after all that a run of the whole show. Our holiday workshop, man it got you sweating... the best part was the exercises we were taught to get into character as the intensity was so high it made it feel almost real, it



*Samuel Noll*



*Victoria Butterfield*

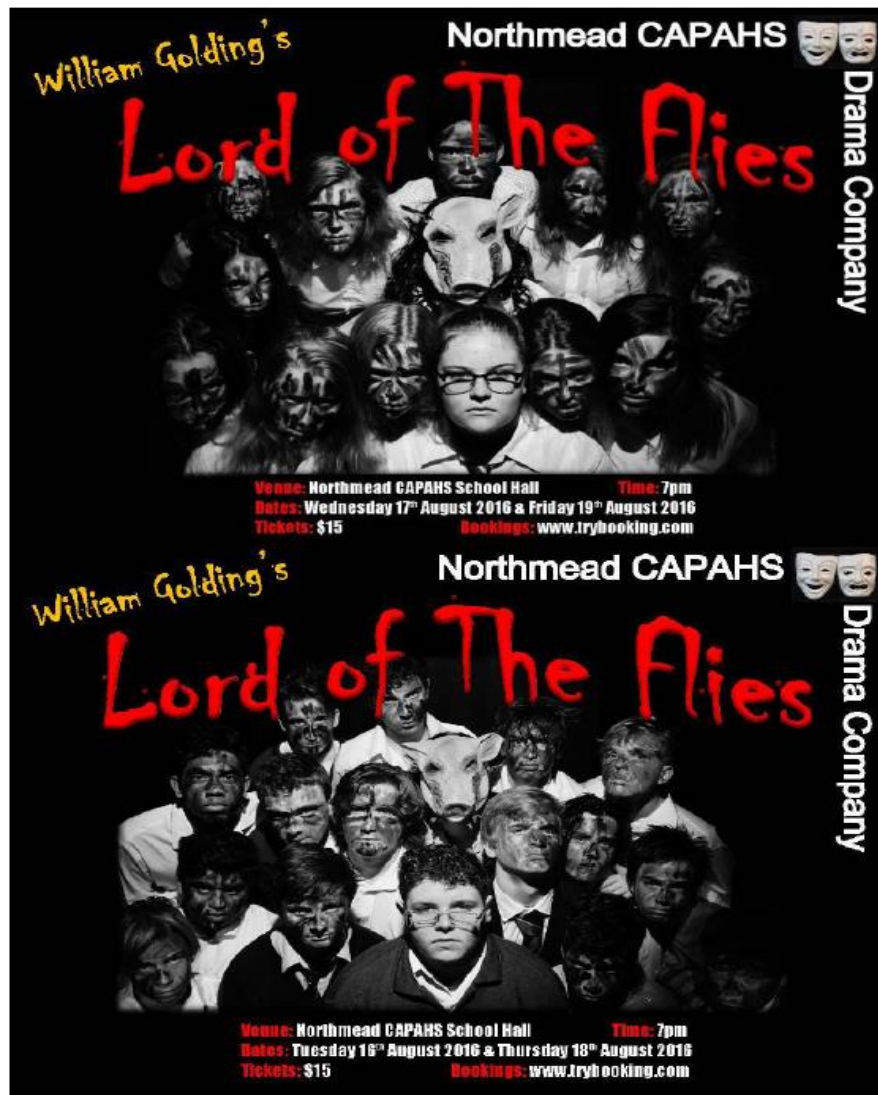
was no social event we worked so hard and for so long but it was totally worth it seeing the final production. On the 16-19<sup>th</sup> of August we got to showcase all the hard work that has been put into our show. These performances were all so phenomenal. On performance nights we'd stay back from school to rehearse and have one final run through of the show before performing, yes, we had many challenges along the way like losing voices but we all supported each other and pulled through. Performing Lord of the Flies was the best experience we've ever had. We made so many great friends along the way. Also none of this could've

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happened without the help of Mr. Flanagan so thank you. We are very excited to see what's to come.

*Victoria Butterfield & Samuel Noll - Year 8  
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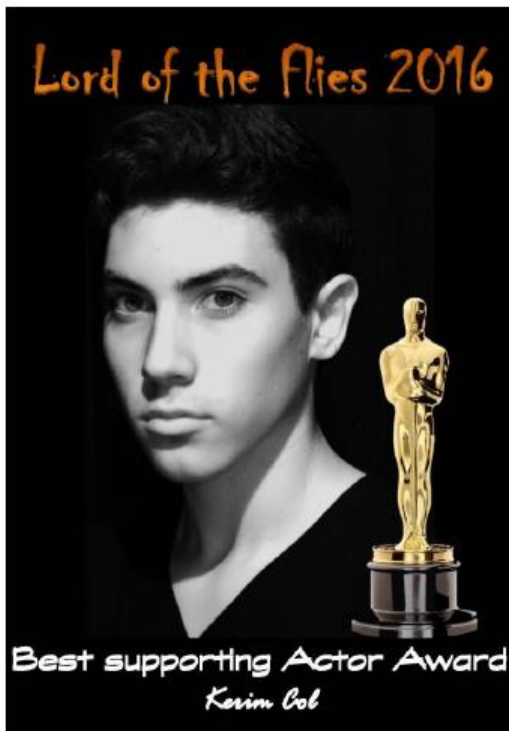
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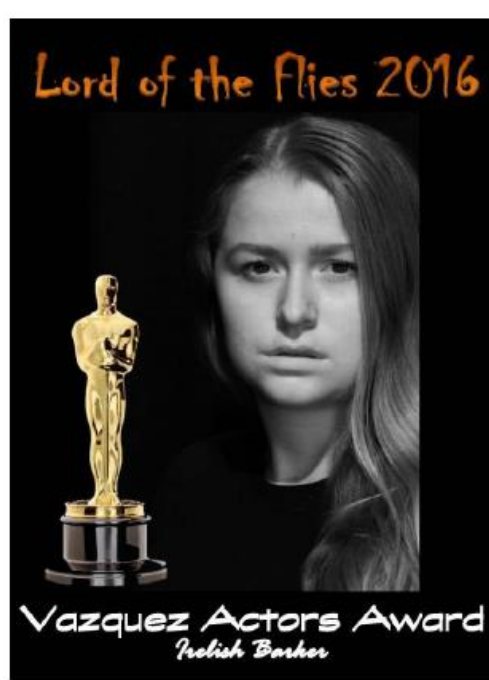
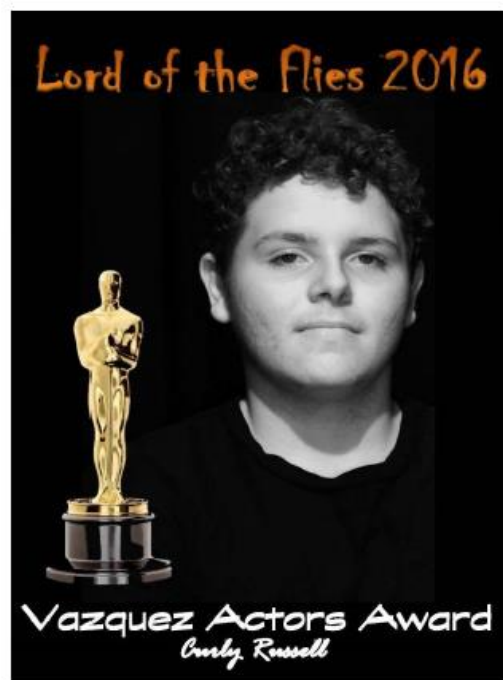
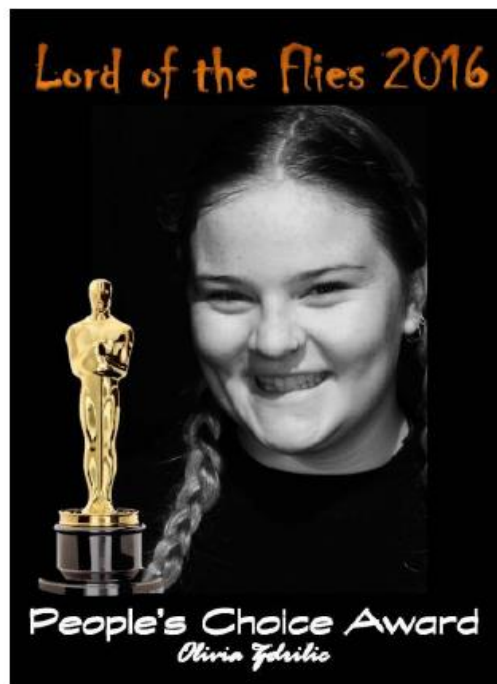
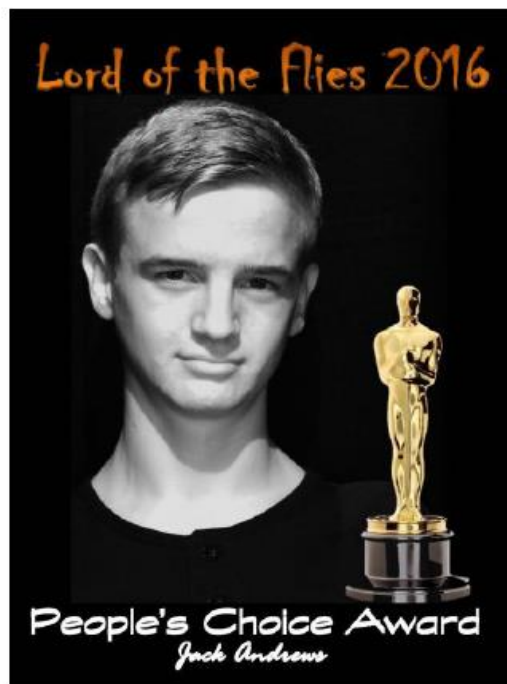
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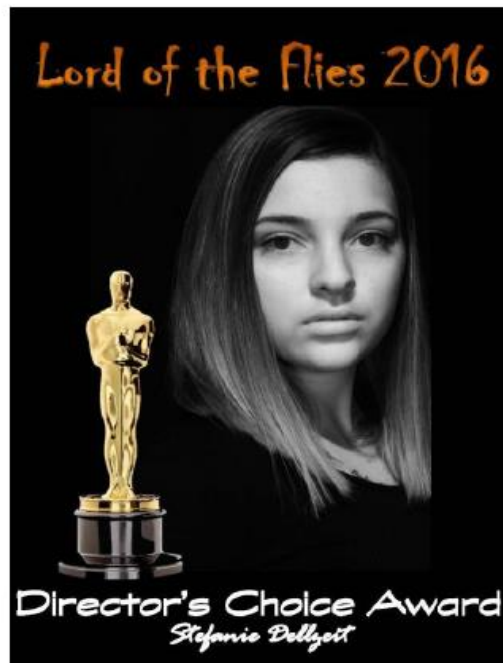
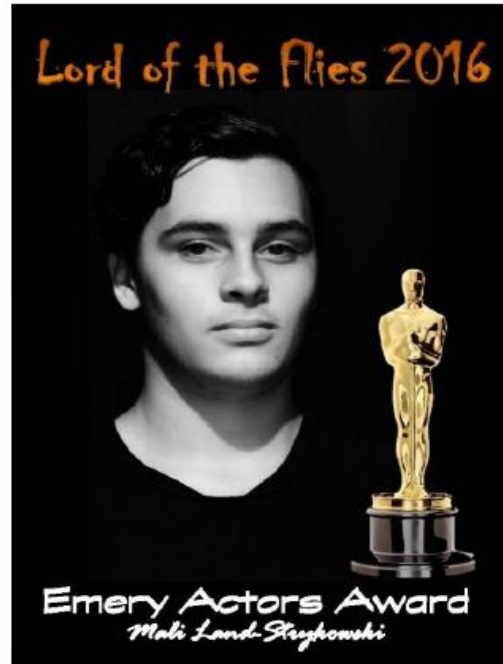
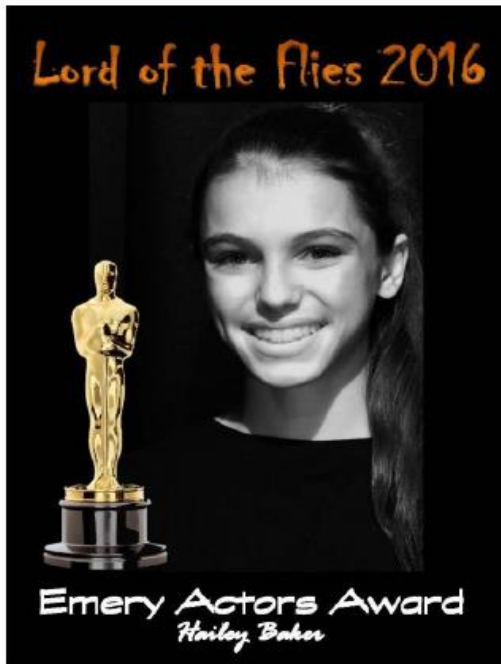
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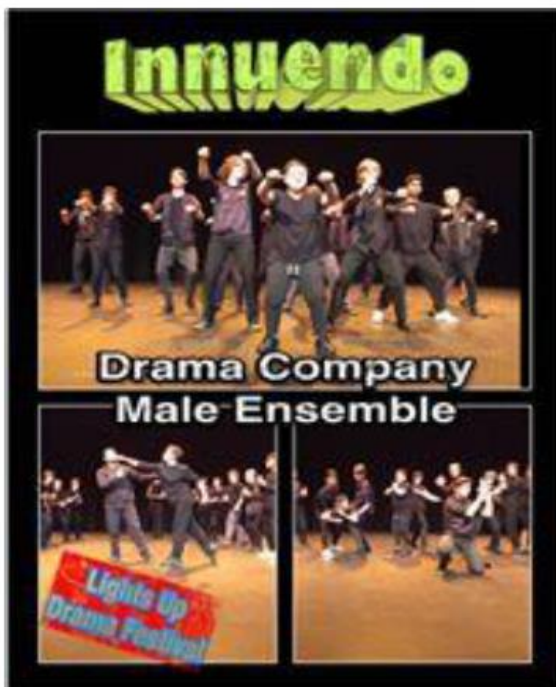
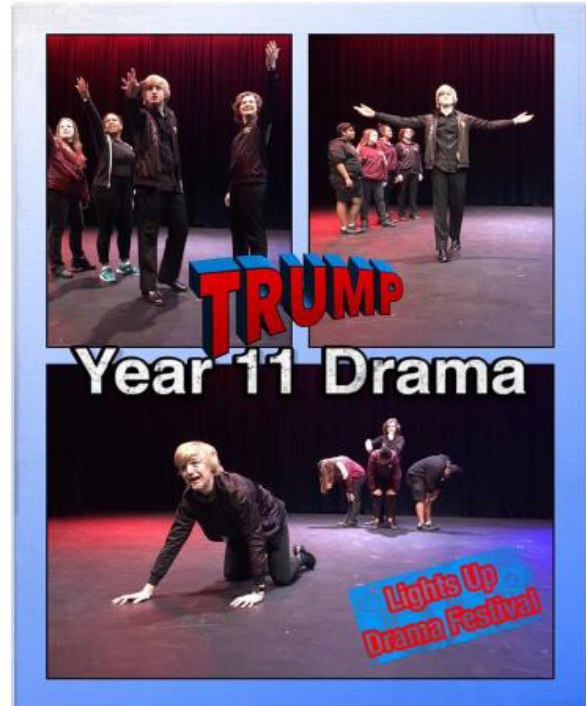


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### Drama Company and Year 11 Drama performs at 'Lights Up Drama Festival'

Year 11 drama and the cast of Drama Company (male ensemble) recently performed at the 'Lights Up Festival'. The year 11 drama performed 'Trump' and Drama Company (male ensemble) performed 'Innuendo'. This experience was one in a lifetime and I would really love to do it again. We started the day with a rehearsal where we rehearsed our pieces and viewed other schools performances when rehearsing. We were shown the green room and the back stage area of the Joan Sutherland Theatre in Penrith. Once rehearsal finished we broke for a two hour dinner break at Penrith Westfield. The performance started at 7pm and the show ran smoothly. I really enjoyed the opportunity to perform at this



professional venue, hoping that one day I can do it again. It was amazing to have been working with such amazing talent and in a company of boys who are great and hilarious. Thank you to Mr Flanagan and Miss Emery for giving us this amazing opportunity to perform at this festival.

*Eshaan Malhotra - Year 11  
Northmead Creative and  
Performing Arts High School*

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### Drama Company and Year 11 Drama performs at 'Arts Alive Drama Festival

The entire year 11 Drama class were rewarded for their determination and creativity by being selected to the Arts Alive drama festival on the 28th of July. Their two political satires 'Trump' and 'Australia's NOT fair' were performed on the night, providing the audience with a humorous experience as well as an honest reflection on contemporary society. These pieces had been crafted by the students over the past term, allowing them to explore the elements of drama, performance and exercise their skills in composition and theatricality. The female ensemble of the Drama Company also took to the stage, performing their devised piece 'Six' on the 27th of July. This piece was devised by the female of Drama Company to enter into drama competitions, and were successful enough in getting into the Arts Alive Drama Festival. On the night of the performance all of the excited energy before the show was channelled by the students into their acting, creating two incredible and dynamic performances for the night. Under the guidance of Mr Flanagan, Northmead CAPAHS



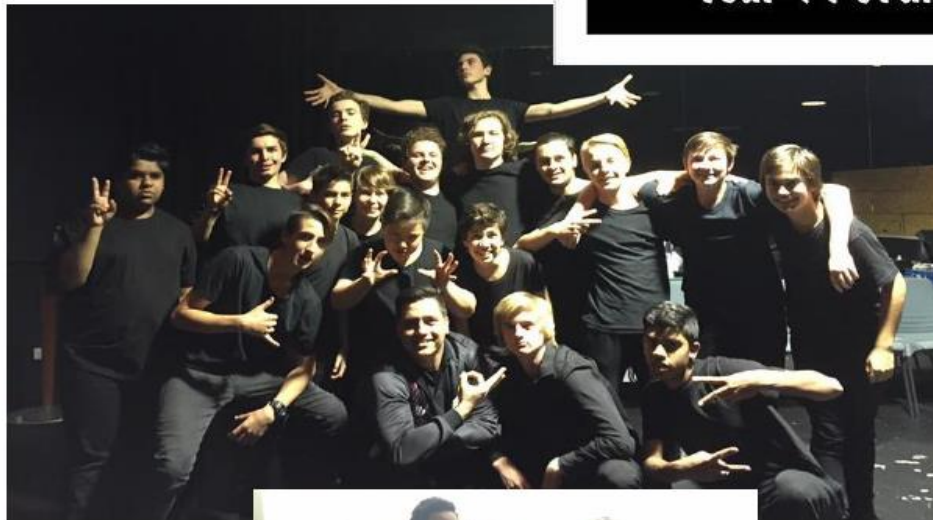
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was brilliantly represented by its senior students, demonstrating a prime example of professionalism, collaboration, and excellence.

*Kerim Col- Year 11*

*Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School*



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### Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School through to Wakakirri state award night



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*Kylie Stevens*

*The Sun – Parramatta Holroyd – 29<sup>th</sup> August 2016*



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# SHOWCASE



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RASCALS Musical Society Presents Shrek Jr.



RASCALS Musical Society is proud to present our second production for 2016, Shrek the Musical Jr.!

**Performances**  
7pm Thursday 29th September  
7pm Friday 30th September  
2pm Saturday 1st October  
7pm Saturday 1st October

**Venue**  
The Rhodes' Scholars' Theatre  
R E Kefford Building, Barker College  
91 Pacific Hwy  
Hornsby, NSW 2077

**Contact Details:**  
Zoe Landis  
RASCALS Director  
[0428 456 303](tel:0428456303)

Our very own EVAN JAMES of Year 9 CAPA Drama, is the lead role in Rascals Musical Society 'Shrek Jr.' We wish Evan the very best of luck as he takes on this amazing opportunity and know he will represent Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School exceptionally well.

Tickets can be purchased at <https://www.trybooking.com/MKFH>



# HSC DRAMA



The very talented Year 12 Drama students dazzled family and friends with their HSC Showcase on the 3<sup>rd</sup> August

Students also had their official HSC on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> August and they are to be congratulated on yet again their exceptional capacity to engage an audience and create complex, meaningful characters and pieces of theatre.



Well done and CONGRATULATIONS to Rachel, Jen, Ethan, Tyler, Ember, Carmen, Jess and to Ms Garcia-McCabe and Miss Emery their teachers.



## Year 8 CAPA Visual Arts

The following artworks have been completed by students in Year 8 CAPA Visual Arts. We have been looking at marine life and experimenting with colour and form using water colours. The students have worked very hard to capture the softness and fluidity of living things in water and should be proud of their achievements.

Ms Sawyer

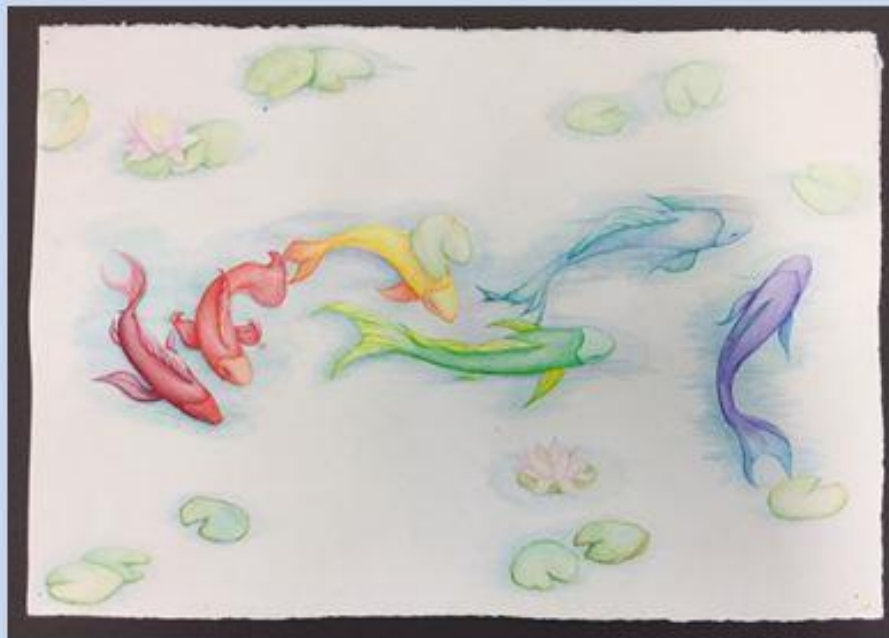
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## Northmead students steal the show on Wakakirri stage

Seven minutes was all it took for Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School to win the hearts of the Wakakirri judges and audience last week. The school progressed to the state award night for the story dance festival following the stunning production. It has its eyes set on the National Story of the Year award.

Turn to page 4 for the full story.



**STAGESTOPPERS:** Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School's production of *The Leap* took centre stage at Wakakirri.

## Indigenous story takes centrestage

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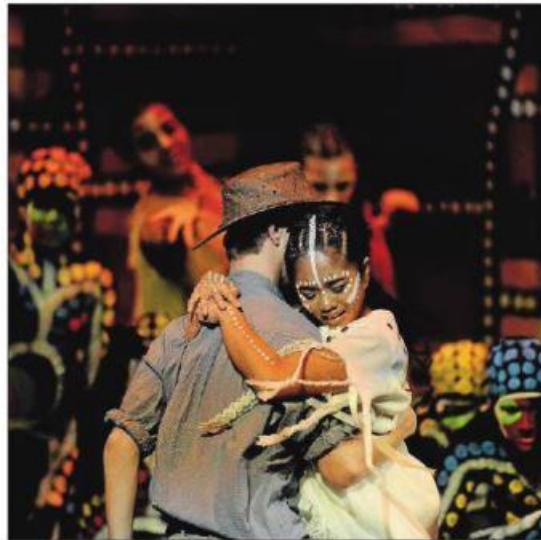
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## Students reach potential

### Helping others less fortunate

Jessica Oxford

BETWEEN a helping hero, an improvisation session and chucking a football around, the Max Potential showcase was a colourful affair.

Held at the Castle Hill RSL on August 9, 20 students presented the culmination of their 22-week-long projects to the general public.

Rouse Hill Anglican College Year 11 student Brooke Pullen knew exactly what she wanted to achieve when she embarked on the Max Potential program.

Her coach Annemarie Christie, in her third year mentoring youths in the program, said it was a delight to work with Brooke.

"Brooke knew she wanted to do a sports program and it just so happens my husband and I run the Auskids program at Kellyville and Rouse Hill junior football," Mrs Christie said.

Brooke's work took children with disabilities through AFL training and having fun kicking around the football.



Max Potential students gathered at Castle Hill RSL to celebrate the program's conclusion. Picture: Adam Ward

She provided an inclusive environment for youngsters with mild to moderate disabilities including autism, ADHD, hearing or speaking difficulties as well as those with a physical disability.

"I think it's a great way to involve kids with disabilities in a mainstream sport," Mrs Christie said.

Carina Siroli's project,

compiling healthy lunches for children fleeing domestic violence, was a success.

The Northholm Grammar School student collected more than 400 food items for her donation drive which benefits the Hills Sanctuary.

Year 11 Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High School student Kaylah Walsh created her Helping

Hero program, gathering items to ensure children have a healthy lunch, a school uniform that fits and coloured pencils.

Kaylah swapped sausage sandwiches for donations to fund the care packages.

"I was lucky in primary school, my mum and dad could afford healthy lunches, stationery and the

correct school uniform," Kaylah said.

The Max Potential program included students from Model Farms High, Hills Grammar, Crestwood High, Kellyville High, Northmead Creative and Performing Arts High, Rouse Hill Anglican College, Northholm Grammar, Castle Hill High and Oakhill College.

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Zoe Hookey with her work. Picture: Adam Ward

## CELEBRATING VIBRANT CULTURE

NORTHMEAD Creative and Performing Arts High School have capped off a month-long celebration of Indigenous culture with an art exhibition.

Aboriginal learning liaison and teacher Amanda-Jee Boatswain said the competition was about connecting students with their heritage and expressing it through art.

More than 20 students at the Campbell St school identify as being of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander descent.

"We wanted to give the students creative outlets to celebrate Aboriginal culture," Ms Boatswain said.

"We got really good feedback. A lot of Year 7 students were keen to be involved."

Year 7 student Zoe Hookey contributed her artwork to the exhibition.

Her piece blended three native animals together surrounded by handprints.

The school's vibrant celebrations also included indigenous dancing, music and a film project.