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News headlines of the week

We are proud of these things

NSW Public Schools Boys High Vocal Ensemble

Daniel Arango (y7) Jacob Mailei (7) And Ian Jesse Llaneta (y10) have been selected to perform on Wednesday 19th September at Sydney Town Hall for the Primary Proms.

Roger Xie (y12) was announced the recipient of the NSW University Medal for Mathematics for the International Competitions and Assessments which placed him in the top 1% in his year and grade..

Congratulations to Alvir Divan, James Georgiou, Michael Nguyen & Matthew Liardo (Y12)

Received Vet Construction Awards at St Georges Leagues

Year 9 Elective History capped off their studies of early Colonial Australia with a visit to Cockatoo Island. The island used to be known for its flocks of cockatoos before the massive red gums were felled in the building of the colony. The island was then quarried for its sandstone that is still evident in the early colonial buildings with it's brutal past. The island was used to accommodate the more recalcitrant convicts who continued to commit crimes after transportation. Captain thunderbolt was One of the inmates



Year 9 History at Cockatoo



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The week that was.

The 7A team project this term marked the 100th anniversary of the sinking of R.M.S. Titanic. This involved the cooperation of four faculties: English, Science, Maths and History. Each faculty coordinated their activities and focused on different aspects of the maritime tragedy.

History department decided to re-open the official enquiry into the sinking. The objective: Who is most responsible for the loss of life on R.M.S. Titanic? Opening their sealed envelopes they poured through the stack of evidence before them. Immersed in paper strewn over desks and falling onto the floor, the teams discussed, debated, argued and agreed as they gathered together the strands of evidence to make sense out of the many facts, opinions and events. Reputations were at stake.

Assembled into six legal teams, 7A had to use evidence to build a case to defend their client and provide an alternative verdict. Each team represented one of the six main suspects: Bruce Ismay, Manager of the White Star Line; Edward Smith, Captain of Titanic; William Murdoch, Chief Officer; Frederick Fleet, the lookout; Thomas Andrew, the ship's designer; and Stanley Lord, Captain of S.S. Californian.

Each team in turn stood before their peers and faced the stern features of the judge. Objections fired out from keen minds to the left and to the right; counter-argument parried accusations; rebuttals deflected challenges; "overruled" and "sustained" punctuated the sharp atmosphere.

In the end, there were no losers. 7 Amazon amazed Mr Radojevic and Mr Potts with their enthusiasm, their skill, their hard work and their talent. The future looks bright for the study of History through enquiry based learning at Ashfield Boys High

Ashfield Council have partnered with Catholic Care to run a free workshop where you can learn the art of engaging adolescents.

It is a 3 week course on Wednesday nights Starting 24th October, continuing 31st October and finishing on the 7th November.

In this course you will be looking at

- understanding adolescence, a time of redeveloping social landscapes, brain snaps and body makeovers.

understanding your job as a parent of a teenager

- observer, advisor, negotiator, director.

- Asking the Question. Is it serious? What's worth reacting to and what's not.

- How to hold the difficult conversations more successfully.

Facilitator ; Robyn Mitchell

BOOK NOW

Where is it held; Activity Room 2 Ashfield Civic Centre

260 Liverpool Rd Ashfield

What time; 7pm to 9pm

Phone: 9716 1844

Please book now so the course will run and you won't miss out on this great resource .