



# ASHFIELD BOYS HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

**TERM 4 WEEK 6 2015**

**The next three weeks for your diary**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week 7</b> 16 to 20 Nov			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Schools Spectacular Rehearsal—all day</li> <li>•Inner West Neighbourhood Shopping</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Creative Arts Night 7:00-8:30pm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Year 7 Stix and Stones</li> </ul>
<b>Week 8</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Transition to High School—Ashfield PS—Year 6</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Bushcare—Years 8 and 9.</li> <li>•7Z Team Day—all day</li> <li>•Transition to High School—Ashfield PS—Year 6</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Schools Spectacular Rehearsal—all day</li> <li>•Transition to High School—Ashfield PS Year 6</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Schools Spectacular Rehearsal—all day</li> <li>•Transition to High School—Ashfield PS—Year 6</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Schools Spectacular Performance</li> <li>•Transition to High School—Ashfield PS—Year 6</li> </ul>
<b>Week 9</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Year 11 Ancient History Assessment Task</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inner West Neighbourhood Shopping</li> <li>• English - Drama Excursion</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Orientation Day</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•History Day</li> </ul>

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The past week has showcased a variety of different experiences across the school. These have engaged the learning of the boys outside the walls of the classroom and provided them with the opportunity for rich educational experiences.

It was wonderful to see the Year 8 TheatreSports team compete against a bevy of private schools and succeed on Friday. The team enchanted and amused the audience in our school hall and came a very commendable fourth in the semi-final round. Well done!

This week has also seen our school's and nation's history combine to provide a platform for contextual learning. The re-enactment of the 1915 Coe-ee WWI Enlistment March came to our school on Tuesday. The marchers camped on our school oval as this was the historical site of the original army drill hall. The History faculty used this opportunity to hold the Year 10 History Iron Man competition. The event was a wonderful example of real world, authentic learning that combines intellectual quality with a good dose of fun.

We also gathered to mark Remembrance Day this week. We welcomed a representative of Ashfield RSL to our service on Wednesday and I was accompanied by our School Captains and Prefects on Sunday to a service at the RSL Club. On both occasions the sincerity, maturity and poise of our students was applauded by the community.

**Dwayne Hopwood**  
Principal



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## Remembrance Day



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## Year 7 Spooks Project: Two Minutes of Horror

As part of the Year 7 genre study in English, Year 7 studied Horror. The students learnt about the conventions of the Horror genre through stories, poetry and drama scripts, learning about black cats, witches, ghosts and ghouls and all things a little scary through the study of literature. The history of the genre was studied looking at its long tradition in literature with ghost stories and poems from Edgar Allan Poe and more recently, in popular culture, the Harry Potter books and films.

Students worked collaboratively on creating a big scary idea that would appeal to the audience. The creative process, working together and agreeing on an idea were the first steps and at times, the challenge! Next step was making the film. Getting it all to come together in only two minutes! This included script writing, casting characters, locating a setting, gathering props and costumes, directing, filming, editing and App smashing! The students, prior to showcasing their films, participated in a range of workshops on Spooks Day run by the English staff. The students were involved in spooky spelling games, dramatic reading of a horror play, collaborative storyboarding a horror comic and readings of horror stories. The students enjoyed the atmosphere and enthusiasm displayed by all involved.

This is a showcase of our work and our effort. We had fun and we hope you did too!

*Nicole Pool*

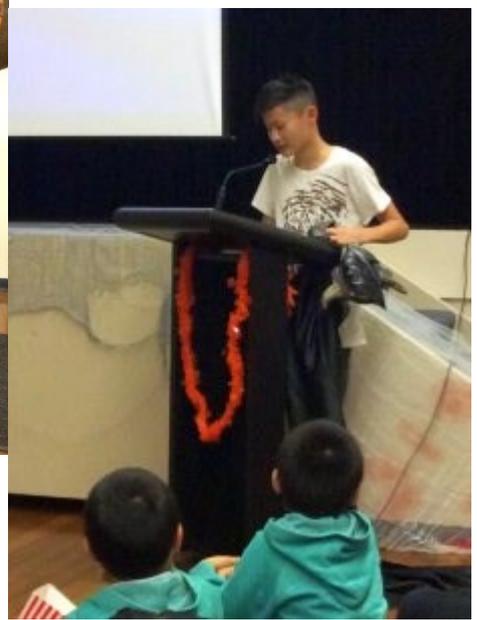
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## Slammin' Sam Saves the Day

This Wednesday, Sam Sabouni, a Year 9 student demonstrated initiative and leadership skills. In the absence of Oztag referees he took up the challenge and refereed both a Junior and Senior Oztag match.

From the moment he blew the whistle, he demonstrated his knowledge of the game and a high level of confidence. All decisions he made were respectful to all players and his fantastic effort was acknowledged by all coaches as well.

In his spare time, Sam referees Junior Rugby League matches and this new and positive experience has inspired him to obtain an Oztag Level 1 referee licence.

There are three things Sam loves being engaged with: playing Oztag, refereeing Rugby League and playing table tennis.



*Sasha Calic*  
*Sports Coordinator*



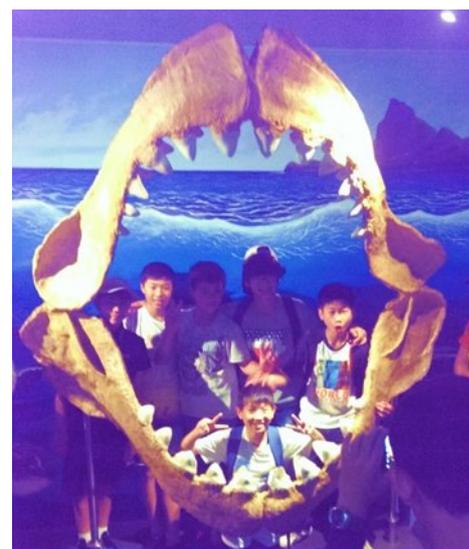
## 7 Poseidon Team Day

7P went on an excursion to Manly Sea Life Sanctuary last Friday. We caught the ferry there and back and were lucky enough to miss all of the rain!

You will see some exciting photos of some of the sharks we saw and the 'scared' faces of the boys as they posed inside a model of a Great White shark's jaw.



A lot of us (including myself) were amazed to discover what the eggs of a grey nurse shark look like, and to be able to pick them up and feel them. These egg cases are made out of keratin just like our hair and nails and take many years to biodegrade.



The Manly Sea Life Sanctuary plays an important role in the conservation of this species of shark since their listing as "Critically Endangered" in 1999. In the year 2000 the number of Grey Nurse Sharks in New South Wales was as low as 292.

We also saw the little penguins being fed and learnt that all Little Penguins originate from countries that exist only in the Southern Hemisphere – including Australia, South America and South Africa.



*Rosie Boshell*  
*Science Teacher*



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## Suitcase Stories; A Refugees Story

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November, Year 11 Drama travelled to the Seymour Centre to see the Treehouse production; 'Suitcase Stories'. This montage of stories highlighted the refugee plight of young people from Miller Technology High School and Intensive Language Centre. This was a powerful production that incorporated movement, music, dialogue and projected imagery. The students performed true stories from their lives that made us laugh out loud one minute and cry the next. It is important for Drama students to see live theatre and this production supported the work for the Individual Project and as an introduction to our second topic; Verbatim Theatre.



## Heat 2 TheatreSports @ ABHS

Heat two of the Junior TheatreSports competition took place at Ashfield Boys High School on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Our Year 8 team, comprising Travis Campbell, Vincent Li, Francesco Buda and William Devine performed very well. At the end of the first two rounds, they were leading. By the end of the evening they were placed a very respectable fourth. For a team that have only been performing together for a few months, they have competed admirably. This Friday, the team are attending a TheatreSports Gala day at NIDA, where they will be training with schools from across NSW and developing their skills. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Whitting for her hard work and perseverance in introducing TheatreSports as an extra-curricular activity and to the parents and supporters who attended on the evening.

*Tracy Small  
Head Teacher CAPA*



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## 18<sup>th</sup> November - Grade Sport Organisation - Round 11

Assembly Point	Sport	Venue	Opposition	Coach	Leave class at:	Assemble and Sit at:	Game Time
A	Basketball 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2nds	ABHS Gym	Epping	Dobrowolski Beretin Skelton		12:30	13:00
B	Basketball U15's and U14's	Epping BHS Gym	Epping	Tyler TBA	11:15	11:20	13:00
D	Cricket Open	Centenary	Normanhurst	Curran Markou	11:45	11:50	12:30
E	Cricket U15'	Thornleigh	Normanhurst	Milic	10:45	10:50	12:30
G	Futsal 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2nds	Olympic Park	Epping	Phillips	11:30	11:35	13:00
H	Futsal U15's A and B	Olympic Park	Epping	Chu		12:25	14:00
I	Oztag 1 <sup>st</sup>	Ashfield Park	Epping	Chatwin Lam		12:20	13:45
K	Oztag 2nds	Ashfield Park	Epping	Chatwin Lam		12:20	13:00
L	Oztag U15's A	Ashfield Park	Epping	Durand Zubac		12:15	14:00
M	Oztag U15's B	Ashfield Park	Epping	Durand Zubac		12:15	13:15
N	Oztag U15's C	Ashfield Park	North Sydney	McKenzie		12:00	12:30
O	Volleyball 1st	ABHS Canteen	Epping	Boshell		12:30	13:45
P	Volleyball 2nds	ABHS Canteen	Epping 3	Boshell		12:30	13:00
Q	Volleyball U15's	Homebush BHS Ron Tedford Gym	Homebush	Pool		12:05	13:00

						Start	Finish
Z	Sick or Injured With Note	F5		Reid	Assemble at 12:30	12:30	2:30



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RECREATIONAL SPORT - WEEK 14						
Assembly Point	Sport	Venue	Coach	Assemble and Sit in Year 7 quad at:	Start Time	Finish Time
1	Badminton NSW	Netball Olympic Park	Hathi	12:05	12:30	2:30
2	Badminton	Olympic Park Sports Hall	Sharma	12:05	12:30	2:30
3	Futsal	Olympic Park Sports Centre	Zhang	12:05	12:30	2:30
4	Table Tennis	Olympic Park	Yoon	12:05	12:30	2:30
14	Football	ABHS Oval	Mahmud	12:30	12:30	2:30
5	Karate	Library/ Music	Jones	12:30	12:30	2:30
8	Multi-Sport Years 7-8	Hammond Park	Zimaras Richardson Tang	12:30	12:30	2:30
10	Multi-Sport Years 9-10	Centenary Park	Jovicic Fasan Burns	12:30	12:30	2:30
15	Outdoor Fitness	Ashfield Park	Smit Tahan Papaefstathi-	12:30	12:30	2:30
13	Basketball	Centenary Park/	Belle Page	12:30	12:30	2:30
7	Resistance Training/Chess	F2 and F3	Museth	12:30	12:30	2:30
12	Table Tennis	ABHS Hall	Turner	12:30	12:30	2:30
Z	Sick or injured	F5	Reid	12:30	12:30	2:30

<p>Futsal – Olympic Park Sports Centre booking times:</p> <p>29 July                      5 August            2, 9 September          7, 14, 21, 28 October            11, 18, 25 November</p>	<p>Badminton - Olympic Park Sports Hall booking times:</p> <p>29 July                      5, 12, 19, 26 August            2, 9, 16 September      7, 14, 21, 28 October            4, 11, 18, 25 November</p>
<p>Table Tennis- Olympic Park Sports Hall booking times:</p> <p>29 July                      5, 12, 19, 26 August            2, 9, 16 September      7, 14, 21, 28 October            4, 11, 18, 25 November</p>	<p>Badminton - Olympic Park NSW Netball</p> <p><b>Unavailable dates:</b>            29 July – 19 August (Netball World Cup)</p>



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