



ASHFIELD BOYS HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM 3 WEEK 8 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
14 - 18 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Prelim Exams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Prelim Exams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Prelim Exams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Prelim Exams Year 7 Parent/Teacher Phone Interviews 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Prelim Exams
21 - 25 Sept	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Prelim Exams Year 10 StreetSmart 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Prelim Exams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Prelim Exams 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 12 Day Year 11 Life Ready Course 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Life Ready Course
12 - 16 Oct				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 Vaccinations 	

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Year 12 Graduation

The COVID -19 guidelines regarding Year 12 Graduations changed again this week. There had been a prohibition on parents attending these but this has now changed. However, for this to happen, the ceremony must occur after the HSC exams.

I put this to the vote with the Year 12 boys this week. Do we continue with the planned, parent free, Graduation at the end of this Term or do we postpone it so that parents can attend? The boys voted overwhelmingly to postpone the event so that their parents can attend.

Secretly, this is what I hoped they would decide! The end of schooling is such a milestone that it needs to be celebrated with family present. We will be in touch with Year 12 parents about specific details before the end of term. Even though the Graduation Ceremony will be in November, we are still intending to hold a different form of student only ceremony this term for the boys.

Parenting Teenage Boys

I was sent the following link to a podcast by one of our parent community. It is an interview on ABC Radio National's *Conversations* with parenting expert Maggie Dent. You may find it as interesting as I did - both as a teacher and a parent of a teenage boy.

<https://www.abc.net.au/radio/programs/conversations/maggie-dent-teenage-boys-helping-teenage-boys-communication/12616906>

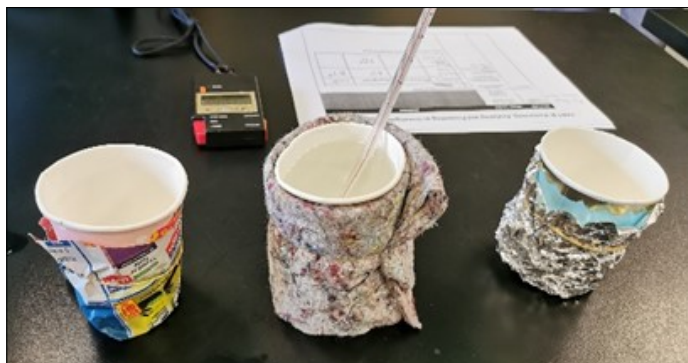
Dwayne Hopwood
Principal



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YEAR 8 SCIENCE STUDENT RESEARCH PROJECT



Year 8 students have been working on the topic of energy this term. This week they are investigating the suitable heat insulators for coffee cups. Students showed their understanding of the content, scientific investigation skills and the ability to collaborate in teams. They designed scientific testing methods and carefully conducted their investigation with the knowledge of fair testing.

Ms Wu – Science Teacher

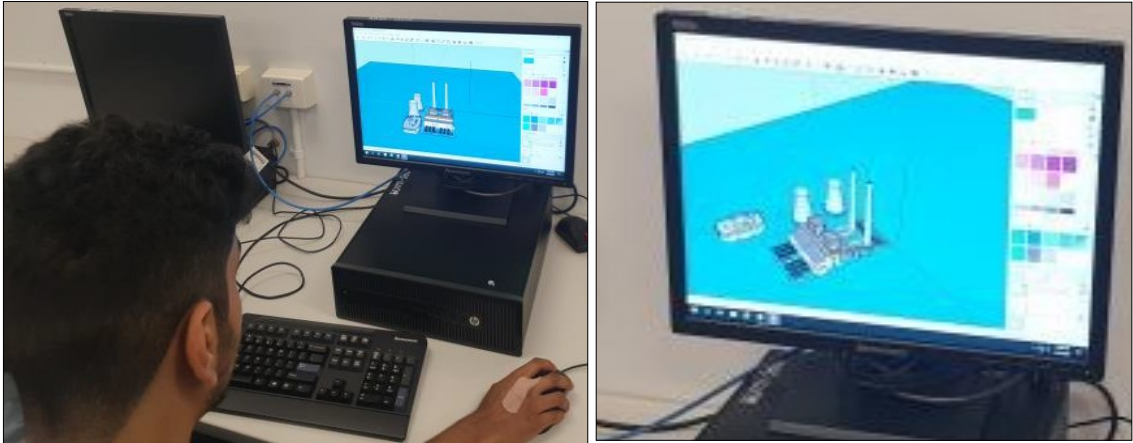


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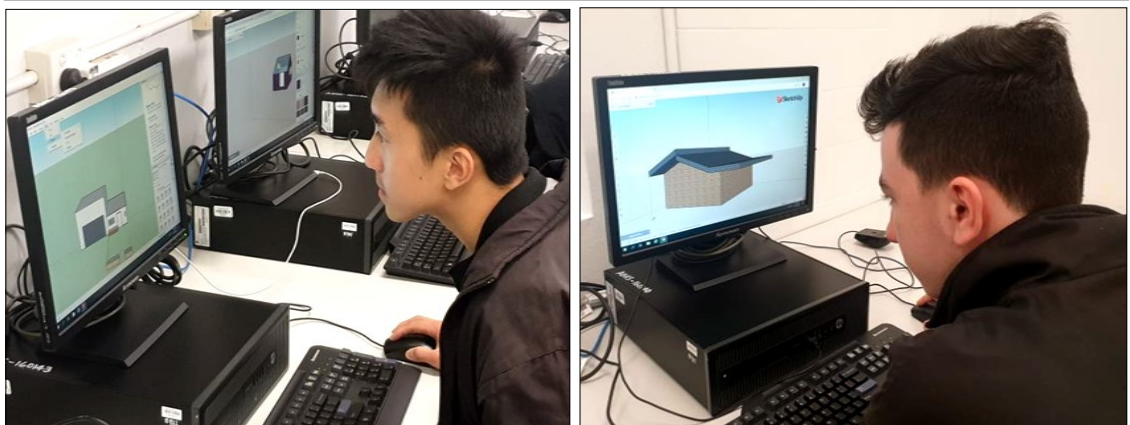
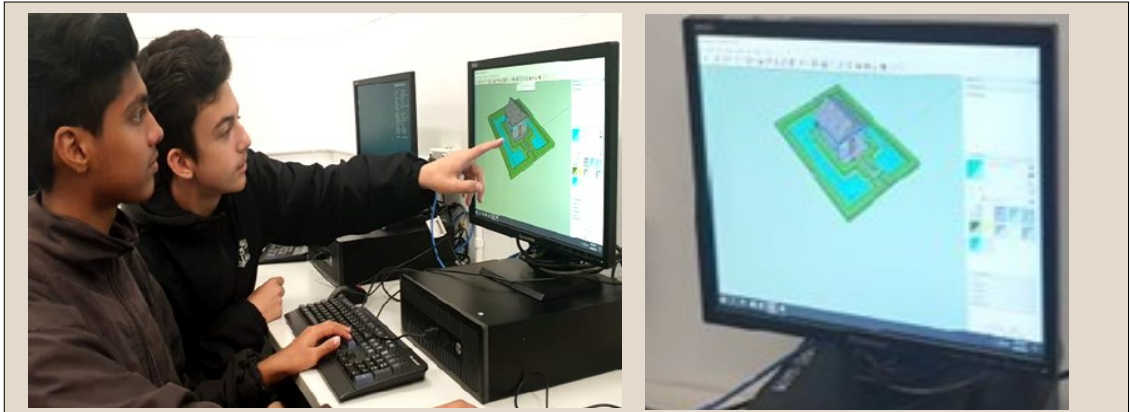


YEAR 10 ENGINEERING

Year 10 Engineering students put their understanding of engineering design into practice by constructing a three-dimensional model using SketchUp program. This lesson introduces students to Google SketchUp, its basic tools, commands and functions and the practical applications of 3D modelling softwares such as 3D printing.



In this lesson students will become comfortable with 3D modelling in Sketch Up.



As students work to build their projects, they will gain exposure to 3D modelling language, learn how to build basic geometry and add colours from SketchUp's material library. They have the freedom to add in their own personal touches by importing models from the extensive SketchUp 3D Warehouse.

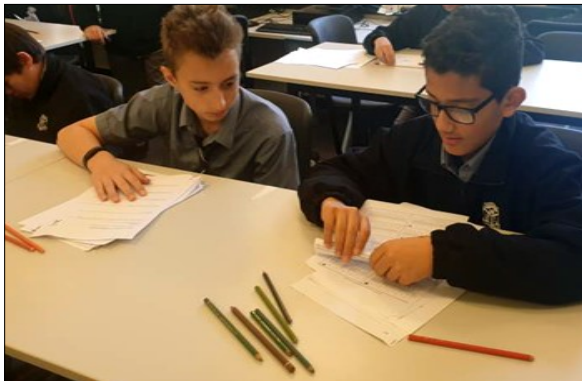


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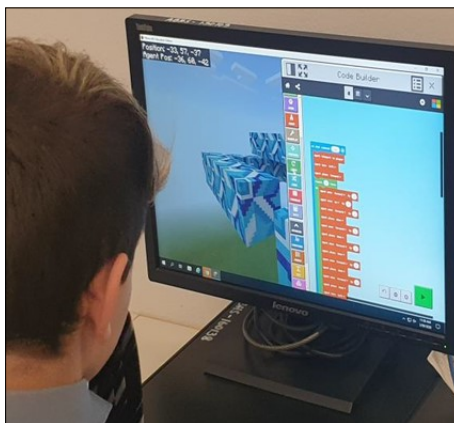
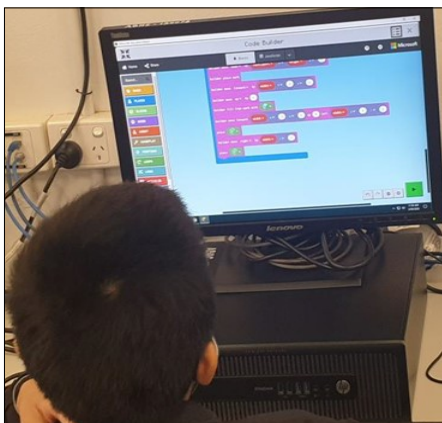


ACTIVITY: PAPER BRIDGE CHALLENGE

Year 7 Engineering students design and make bridges out of folded pieces of paper, and test how much weight they can hold using books. Students will be able to explain how a bridge's shape can make it stronger and perform tests to compare different bridge designs and determine which one can support more weight.



YEAR 7 CODING PROGRAM



Year 7 students have gained confidence in their coding skills throughout the phythan program but have also improved with their communication skills and the way they interact with other students.

Mr K Mahmud - TAS Teacher



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YEAR 7 PARENT PHONE INTERVIEWS

Dear Parents

Year 7 Parent phone interviews will be held on **Thursday 17th September**. Staff will be available at various times throughout the school day to make calls to parents. Staff availability will vary, however, phone interview time slots will be available from 9.00 until 6.50pm.

We ask that phone calls are kept to a maximum of 10 minutes (as per booking), to ensure we stay on schedule. The majority of staff will call from a mobile with a No Caller ID, so please ensure that you answer No Caller ID calls.

To make a parent phone interview booking go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow these simple instructions.

Bookings open on Monday 7th September at 9am.

Simply enter the code and press "Go"



Enter your details, including your contact phone number



Select the teachers you wish to talk to



Select the appointment times that suit you



When you click **FINISH**, your phone interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically. If you do not receive your email immediately – **Check your junk mail folder AND make sure you have spelled your email address correctly**

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - **until the bookings close on Wednesday 16th September at 3pm.**

Any issues please email linda.henry@det.nsw.edu.au



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TELL THEM FROM ME PARENT FEEDBACK SURVEY

Over the next two weeks, Ashfield Boys High School will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

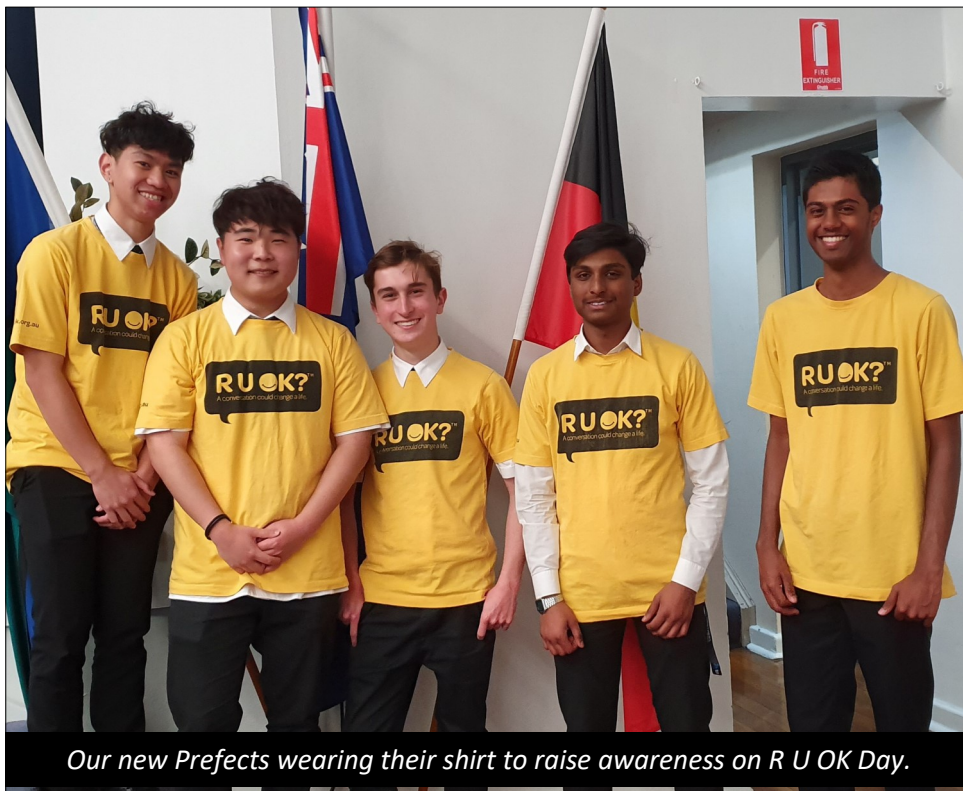
The information you provide will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help us make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted over the last two weeks of this term. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, **your responses are very much appreciated.**

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>.

To access the survey for our school go to: <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/ashfieldboyshs>

Thank you in advance for taking the time to provide us the information to inform future directions to ensure we provide the best outcome for both you and your son.



Our new Prefects wearing their shirt to raise awareness on R U OK Day.



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LIFE READY

25 HOURS | YEARS 11 AND/OR 12

#A S H T A G

A series of workshops have been organised for Year 11 to attend on Thursday 24th and Friday 25th September 2020.

Life Ready is a **mandatory 25-hour course** designed to prepare and support senior students as they encounter situations related to health and safety as they become more independent and gain more responsibilities. It focuses on offering opportunities for students to build the functional knowledge and skills for life post school. The Life Ready course content is focused around issues such as:

- Independence
- Safe Travel
- Drugs and Alcohol
- Sexuality and Sexual Health
- Relationships
- Mental Health and Wellbeing

The following details are provided for your information:

Date:	Thursday 24 th and Friday 25 th September 2020.
Venue:	Ashfield Boys High School
Travel:	Regular travel to school
Time of Departure:	All presentations will be at ABHS. Presentations will be conducted all day on Thursday and Friday. Students attend regular roll call.
Cost:	NA
Clothing:	ABHS sport uniform (for practical activities) or ABHS Senior School uniform
Lunch:	Students to supply their own lunch
Teacher attending:	T Brown and A Phillips



Ms T Brown - Head Teacher Wellbeing



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16th September- Grade Sport Organisation - Week 9

Assembly Point (quiet area)	Sport	Venue	Coach	Assemble and Sit at:	Finish Time
A	Badminton 2 nd & U15's	ABHS quiet area	Wang	12:34	14:31
B	Football 2nd	Hammond Park	Richardson	12:34	14:31
C	Football 3rd	Hammond Park	Cauchi	12:34	14:31
D	Football U15's A	Hammond Park	Chu	12:34	14:31
E	Football U15's B	Hammond Park	Salucci	12:34	14:31
F	Football U14's A	Centenary Park	Bason	12:20	14:31
G	Football U14's B	Centenary Park	Payne	12:20	14:31
H	Football U14's C	Centenary Park	Lam	12:20	14:31
I	Football U13's A	Centenary Park	Kucheruk	12:20	14:31
J	Football U13's B	Centenary Park	Karagiannidis	12:20	14:31
K	Rugby U15's	Ashfield Park	Burford	12:34	14:31
L	Rugby U14's	Ashfield Park	Pearce	12:34	14:31
M	Rugby U13's	Ashfield Park	Chatwin	12:34	14:31
N	Table Tennis 2nd U15's & U14's	ABHS Hall	Tenefrancia	12:34	14:31
O	Tennis 1 st	Pratten Park	Stitt	12:34	14:31
P	Tennis U15's & U14's	Pratten Park	McCusker	12:34	14:31
Q	Lawn Bowls	Ashfield LBC	Tyler	12:34	14:31

			Start	Finish
E 3	Injured or sick with note	Executive	12:34	14:31



RECREATIONAL SPORT – TERM 3 WEEK 9						
Assembly Point (year 7quad)	Sport	Venue	Coach	Assemble and Sit in Year 7 quad at:	Start Time	Finish Time
A	Badminton OP/ ABHS	ABHS Gym	J. Lu	12:34	12:34	2:31
C	Table Tennis	F Block	Pham	12:34	12:34	2:31
E	Futsal OP/ABHS	ABHS Oval	Morris	12:34	12:34	2:31
G	Volleyball	ABHS Canteen	Ahearne	12:34	12:34	2:31
K	Power Walk Years 7-8	Local area	Durand Pool	12:34	12:34	2:31
M	Power Walk Years 9-10	Local area	White Cini	12:34	12:34	2:31
15	Multi-Sport Years 7-8	ABHS Oval	Pieterse	12:34	12:34	2:31
1	Outdoor Fitness	Ashfield Park	Jovicic Mahmud H. Lu	12:34	12:34	2:31
3	Basketball Years 7-8	ABHS B'ball Outdoor Court	Curran	12:34	12:34	2:31
5	Basketball Years 9-10	ABHS B'ball Outdoor Court	Prasad	12:34	12:34	2:31
7	Karate	Library	Jones	12:34	12:34	2:31
9	Theatre Sport	D 11	Whitting	12:34	12:34	2:31

			Start	Finish
E 3	Injured or sick with note	Executive	12:34	14:31



STUDENT ADMINISTRATION UPDATES

CONTACTING THE SCHOOL ABOUT ABSENCES AND LATE ARRIVALS

1. Please only phone about your son's absence or late arrival to school if the matter is urgent.
2. If your son is absent from school, please reply to the SMS you receive. This is our preferred avenue of communication in regard to absences. Alternatively please email the school,

ashfieldbo-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

The office will contact you, if we need to clarify anything.

3. In your SMS response please explain the reason for your son's absence and its duration.

CASH

In an effort to keep both our students and staff safe, can I please ask that you **do not pay with cash**. Please pay by eftpos (student counter) or preferably online.

Reminder

Student forms for example:

Change of Address and or details

Late or Absent Forms

Travel Exemption Forms

Are available on our website to download, hard copies are available at the Student Service Desk.

Emails

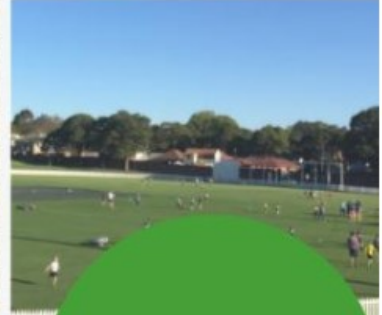
If you are not receiving emails from the school, please check your SPAM/JUNK mail folder as emails maybe going into this folder.

Thank you for your understanding.



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