



ASHFIELD BOYS HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 WEEK 5 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
08 - 12 Nov				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 12 Maths Advanced Task 1 	
15 - 19 Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 12 Math Standard 2 Task 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC Exam Year 12 Math Standard 2 Task 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC Exam Year 12 Math Standard 2 Task 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC Exam Year 12 Math Standard 2 Task 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC Exam Year 12 Math Standard 2 Task 1
22 - 28 Nov	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC Exam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC Exam Orientation Day Year 12 Ancient Task 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC Exam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC Exam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC Exam Year 11 English Standard Assessment 1

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

COVID Measure changes

On Monday 8th November the NSW Department of Education will move from Level 3+ to Level 3 COVID measures. This will not involve huge change for us and the multiple layers of protection that we have in place will remain. The most noticeable change will be to sport on a Wednesday afternoon. From next week we will be able to access local parks and sports grounds for sport in year cohorts. While this does not involve competition against other schools at this stage, it is still a welcome addition providing a wider range of physical activity.

HSC Exams

The delayed HSC exams begin with English Paper 1 next Tuesday. I know that the boys are well prepared for the next intense month of examinations.

Dwayne Hopwood
Principal



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SPORT ORGANIZATION WEEKS 6 –10



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3 November 2021

Dear Parent or Caregiver,

This is an information letter regarding Wednesday afternoon sport. Due to some of the recent COVID safety protocol restrictions being eased students are now able to participate in Wednesday afternoon recreational sport at local sporting grounds/ovals. We are still providing additional safety measures (students will still stay within their year cohort) and will be on a rotation between four sporting sites for weeks 6-10. These sites are: Ashfield Boys High School, Ashfield Park, Hammond Park and Centenary Park. Boys will rotate between the grounds on a weekly basis and be offered a variety of team sports.

Date(s):	Wednesday 10, 17, 24 November Wednesday 1, 8 December
Location:	Ashfield Boys High School, Ashfield Park, Hammond Park, Centenary Park.
Travel:	Travel to any park off site park will take place in class groups (classes will walk with a designated sport teacher)
Time of Departure and Return:	Start: 12:34 pm Return to school: 2:30 pm
Payment Due Date:	Nil
Equipment:	Full School Sport Uniform (please bring water bottle) All sports equipment will be provided

Yours sincerely

Mr. W. Tyler
Sports Organiser

Mr. D Hopwood
Principal

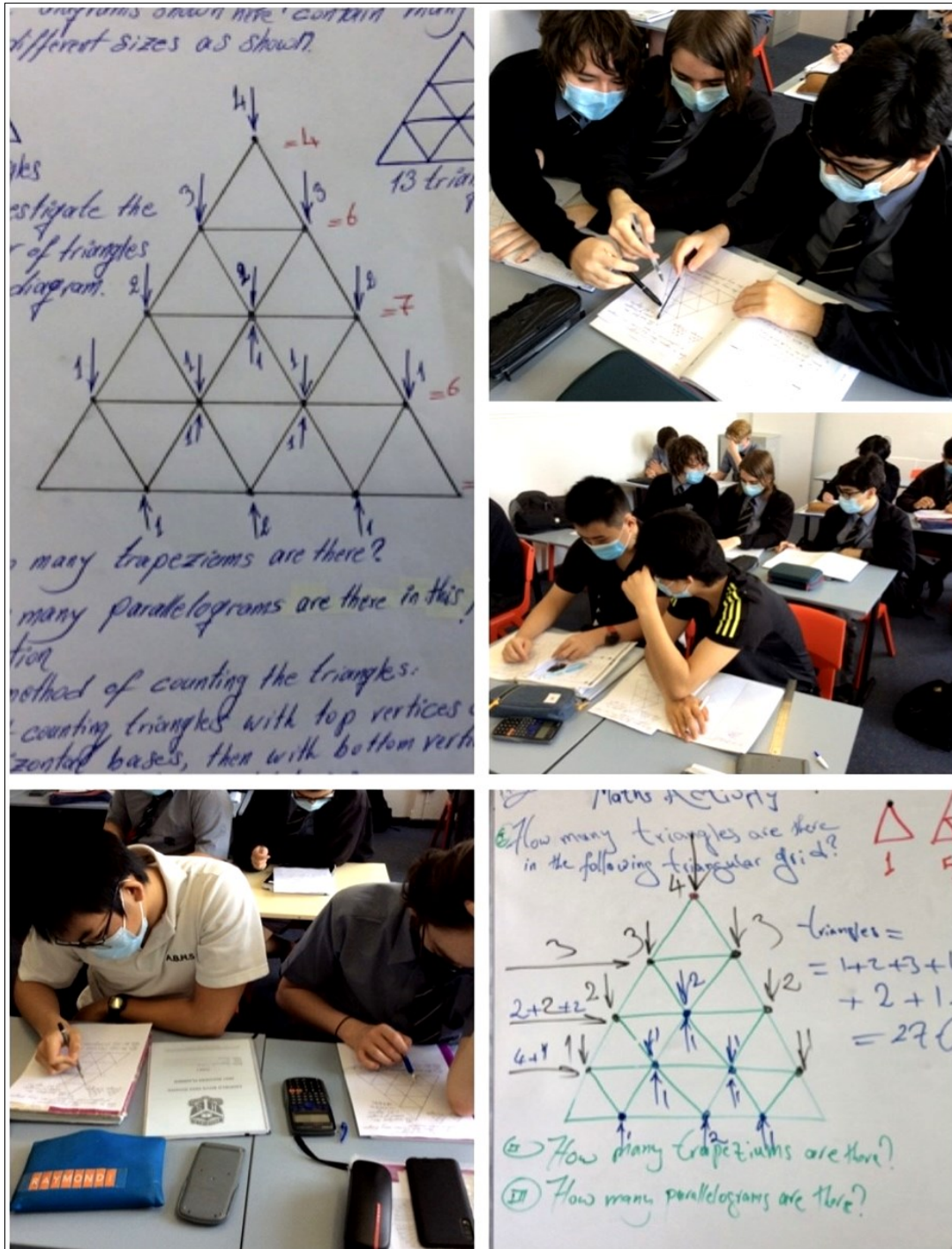


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CRITICAL THINKING

Y10MAA students used problem solving and critical thinking skills to investigate, identify and count the number of triangles, trapeziums & parallelograms in a triangular grid.



Mr. Kobeissi - Mathematics Teacher

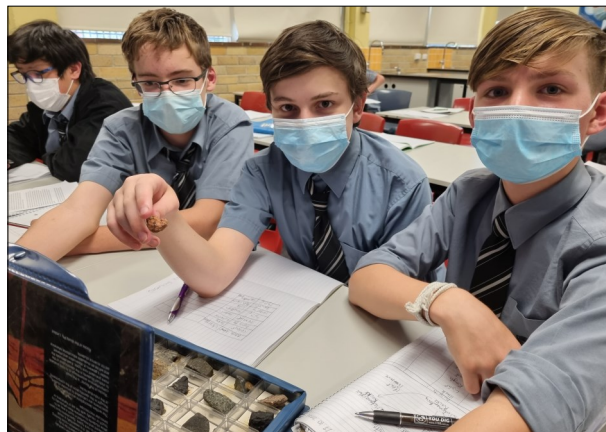


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SCIENCE UPDATE

This term Year 11 Biology has been studying cells as the basis for life. Students have examined a variety of plant, animal and bacteria cells using microscopes, identifying organelles and learning about their functions. Students have also been investigating the movement of substances through osmosis and diffusion. They have performed experiments to test the effect of tonicity on osmosis in eggs and the effect of surface area to volume ratio on rate of diffusion using iodine and potatoes.



In Marine and Aquaculture Technology, students have been exploring water safety and first aid. They have practised their first aid and CPR skills in the classroom and have been putting their swimming and water rescue skills to the test at Ashfield Aquatic Centre.

In Year 10 Science students have been investigating chemical reactions. Students have performed experiments to observe reactions involving metal and metal carbonates reacting with acids, as well as observing the effects of corrosion and combustion.

Ms M Prasad - Science Teacher



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YEAR 12 MUSIC REBOUND

The silence of lockdown has finally been broken at Ashfield Boys High School. The restrictions on music ensembles remains significant, but there is a glimmer of hope as Year 12 use hand percussion to analyse, notate, and perform rhythms from around the world. The benefits of playing instruments after many months has helped the boys rekindle positive relationships and rediscover fine motor skills and muscle memory. As the restrictions lift, we will strive to use music making as important tool in restoring and maintaining psychological wellbeing and health after a difficult few months.



Mr Pieterse - CAPA Faculty



School Travel for 2022



2022 school travel applications are now open

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass for 2022 can [apply](#) now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for a school travel pass for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, or who have repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should [renew or update](#) their details before **the end of term 4**. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications and current entitlements are updated and remain valid. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), they will receive an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition that is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

[Term Bus Pass](#) holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2022.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.



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School Student Transport Scheme site change

On 1 October 2021 the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) information and application portal was moved to transportnsw.info. This will assist families to find all their travel information in the one place.

Travel from Term 1 2022

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

Applications for the School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) open at the start of Term 4 2021 for travel in 2022, so parents/students can [apply](#) or [update](#) details early and be ready for the start of the new school year.

Most students using the Opal network will not need a new Opal card and can continue travelling on their existing card each year.

The start of the year is a difficult period for local bus operators, and students travelling without a valid ticket make service planning and operations increasingly difficult.

We recognise that for some families last minute changes to school enrolments mean they may not have a School Opal card or Travel Pass for the start of term. In the Opal network, we strongly encourage these families to have their children travel on a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

Bus operators are flexible and understanding, particularly at the start of the school year, and will ensure students can travel safely to and from school. But to best support our operators we encourage all students to have a valid ticket, as early as possible, from the start of the school year.

Please also remember that students using Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the [Student code of conduct](#) and [Opal terms of use](#).



Further information can be found at transportnsw.info/travel-info/using-public-transport/school-travel
Enquiries can be submitted at transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/passes-concessions-feedback



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STUDENT ADMINISTRATION UPDATES

Dear families,

Hope you are staying safe during this challenging time.

Over the next few months, we may need to mail out books and or paperwork to our students. Can I please ask that you make sure all contact details we have here at school are correct.

If you believe that your contact details need updating, please use the "Change of Address" form on our website to update and return the form to the school via email or post.

Reminder

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.

<https://ashfieldbo-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

Thank you for your understanding.

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School Administration Manager



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