



ASHFIELD BOYS HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 WEEK 7 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
22 - 26 Nov	• HSC Exam	• HSC Exam • Year 12 Ancient History Task 1	• HSC Exam	• HSC Exam • Year 12 Maths Extension 1 Task	• HSC Exam • Year 11 English Standard Assessment 1
29 Nov 03 Dec	• HSC Exam	• HSC Exam	• HSC Exam	• HSC Exam	• HSC Exam • Year 12 Graduation
06 - 10 Dec	• Year 12 Biology Depth Study	• Year 8 Activity Day - Ashfield Park	• HSC English Extension 1 Task	• Year 7 Orientation	• Year 12 Maths Task 1

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

P&C Meeting

The final P&C Meeting for the year is scheduled for Monday evening at 6pm. As we have now moved to Level 3 COVID restrictions, the meeting will be held on site in the Common Room for parents who want to attend in person. In line with the current PHO as it relates to school sites, any adult or community user (including the P&C) requires evidence of full COVID-19 vaccination or a contraindication medical certificate to access the school site. The meeting will be held on Zoom as well as in person for people who are unable to attend in person.

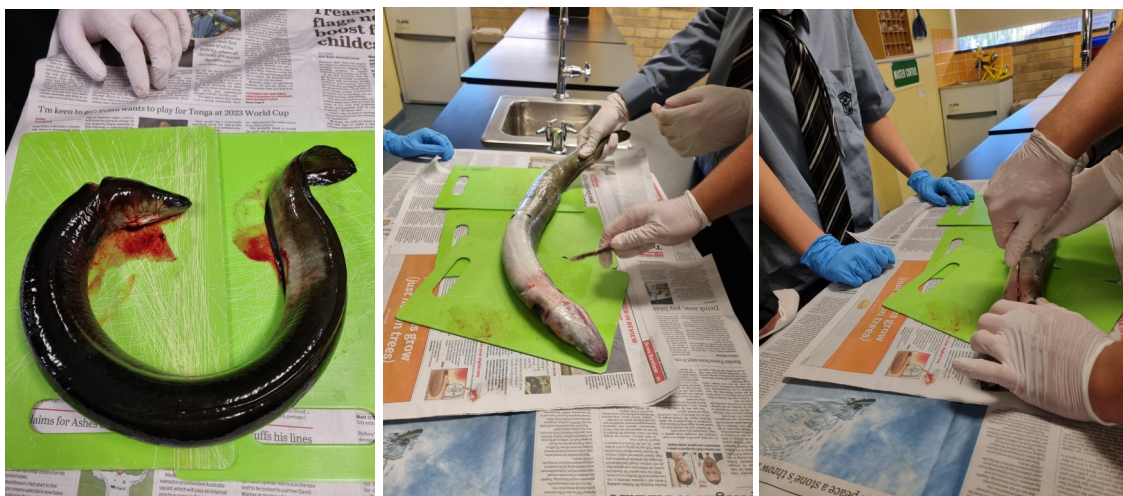
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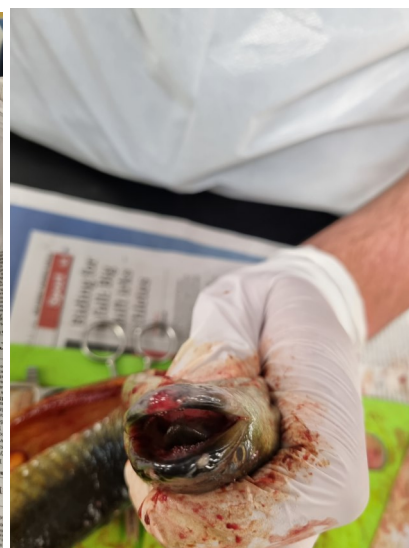
EXPLORING EELS



In their study of Fish Biology, Year 10 Marine and Aquaculture Technology students have been learning about the anatomy and function of different fish, this week focusing on the order Anguilliformes, commonly known as eels. Students learnt about their behaviors, adaptations and niches within ecosystems before conducting dissections of river eels to explore their anatomy first-hand.



*Ms Prasad
Marine Studies Teacher*



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YEAR 7 MUSIC CLASSES

The Year 7 Music classes have been preparing for their practical assessment task which requires them to perform one of three piano pieces: Canon, Can Can or Moonlight Sonata. This task has been differentiated to support students of all levels with the pieces ranging from easy, medium and hard levels of difficulty.



Students have a choice to perform solo or with a partner depending on their capabilities.



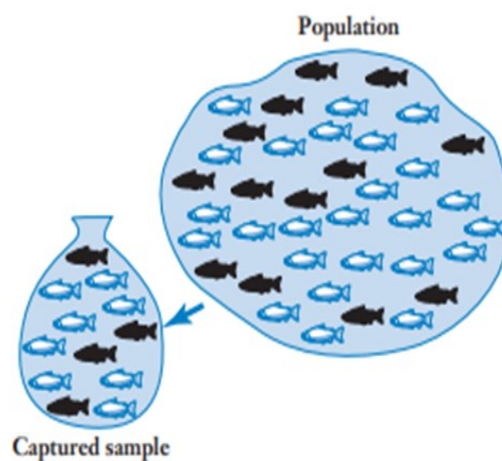
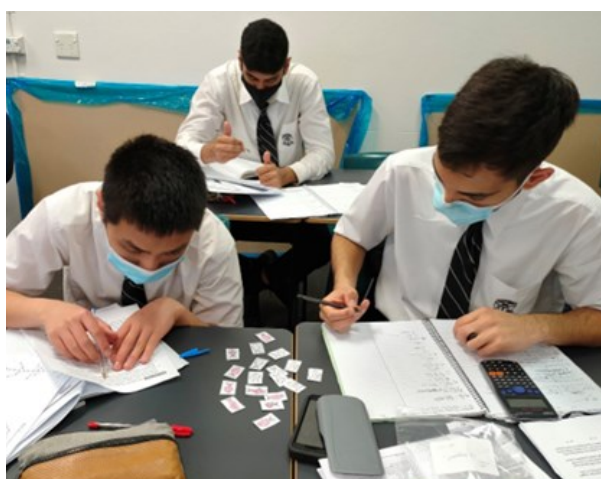
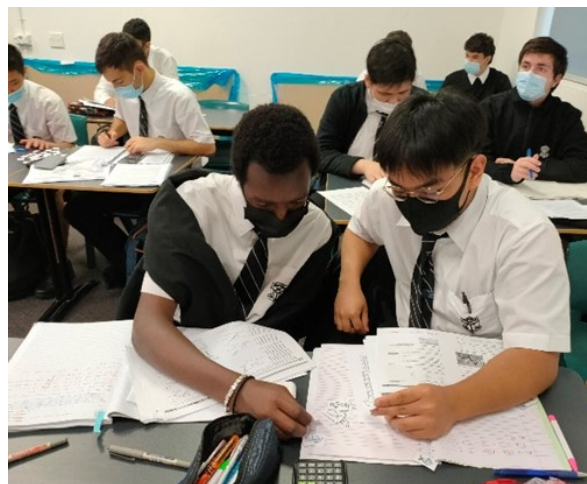
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THE CAPTURE-RECAPTURE GROUP PROJECT



Year 11 Mathematics Standard 2 students worked in groups, used the generation of random numbers to create sample sizes and then used the 'capture-recapture' technique to estimate the size of a large population.

Ms Lu - Mathematics Faculty



VIRTUAL REALITY IN ISTEM



iSTEM has started a VR unit. Here the students are looking at the possibilities of what VR can do. This class will be creating their own interactive virtual worlds using the Unity game engine and this VR equipment.



Mr A Cini—STEM Teacher

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Vaccinations

Updated Information

NSW Schools Vaccination Program – Year 7 and Year 10 Students

I can confirm that the school vaccination program clinics in Term 4 will not be running. The HPV, dTpa, and meningococcal vaccination program will recommence in 2022 for both Year 7 and Year 10 students.

Below is advice from NSW Health

"In the interim, parents may choose to take their eligible children to their GP for a free HPV or dTpa vaccine (Year 7) or Meningococcal ACWY vaccine (Year 10), noting that GPs may charge a consultation fee. In these circumstances, parents should contact the school to withdraw their consent for vaccination at school to ensure that a child is not vaccinated twice".

"NSW Health have updated their website to reflect these last minute changes, further information can be found here www.health.nsw.gov.au/schoolvaccination".

For any Year 10 student to be caught up for vaccination next year (when the student is in year 11) they need a parent/caregiver to sign a consent card this year when they are eligible for government funded vaccines.

Your son would have received their 2021 Year 10 cards this week and are required to return them to school prior to the 1st December 2021. These cards will be picked up by a representative from the NSW School Vaccination Program and kept until 2022. A date will be arranged in 2022 for your son to receive their vaccination.

If you wish for your Year 10 son to receive their vaccinations at school in 2022, you must complete the 2022 form and ask them to return it to their Year Adviser who will collect them during Roll Call.

Vaccine	Who is eligible?	Number of doses?
Human Papillomavirus - HPV *	All Year 7 students	2
Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis (Whooping cough) – dTpa *	All year 7 students	1
Meningococcal ACWY *	All year 10 students	1

If you have any questions, please call Ms Brown during school hours on 9798 6620 (Extension 120).

Regards

Ms Brown
Head Teacher Welfare



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#ITSINTHE Bag

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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
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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,

Please keep your contact details with the school current.

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.

Thank you for your understanding.

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

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School Administration Manager



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