



## TERM 4 WEEKS 9 AND 10

5 - 16 December 2022

### Important Dates – Term 4 2022

W10	Monday 12 December	Confirmation Day for Year 11 2023
W10	Thursday 15 December	End of year activities for Year 12 2023
W10	Friday 16 December	End of year activities for Year 12 2023 Final day of classes for students

### Important Dates – Term 1 2023

W2	Tuesday 31 January	First day of classes for Year 11 2023
W2	Wednesday 1 February	First day of classes for Year 12 2023
W3	Friday 10 February	School swimming carnival
W4	Tuesday 14 February	Academic Assembly for Year 12 2022
W6	Tuesday 28 February	School Council Meeting, 6pm
W6	Wednesday 1 March	School photos
W10	Tuesday 28 March	School Council Meeting, 6pm
W11	Thursday 6 April	Last day of classes

### Principal's Report

As we enter the last two weeks of the school year this will be our final newsletter for 2022. We will provide any updates that affect school operations as needed and will ensure correspondence is provided to families prior to the commencement of the 2023 school year.

Our annual Presentation Day Ceremony took place on Monday 28 November with students, parents, carers and staff celebrating the achievements of Year 11 and 12 across a range of areas including academics, creative and performing arts, leadership, sport and service. I would like to thank Simone Pett and the Maths team for their work in putting together the ceremony with the support of Fatima and Michael, as well as our Hospitality students led by Angela. *Photos from this event are found on the following pages.*

Congratulations to Jasmine Footit and Cooper Easthorpe, Year 12 2022 who were awarded a "Blue Award" at the Sydney West School Sport Association Awards Night. The Blue Award is the highest individual sporting award bestowed by the Sydney West Sports Association. These impressive athletes are not only outstanding sportspeople, they shine in everything

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## Principal's Report continued

they do and do so with integrity and humility.



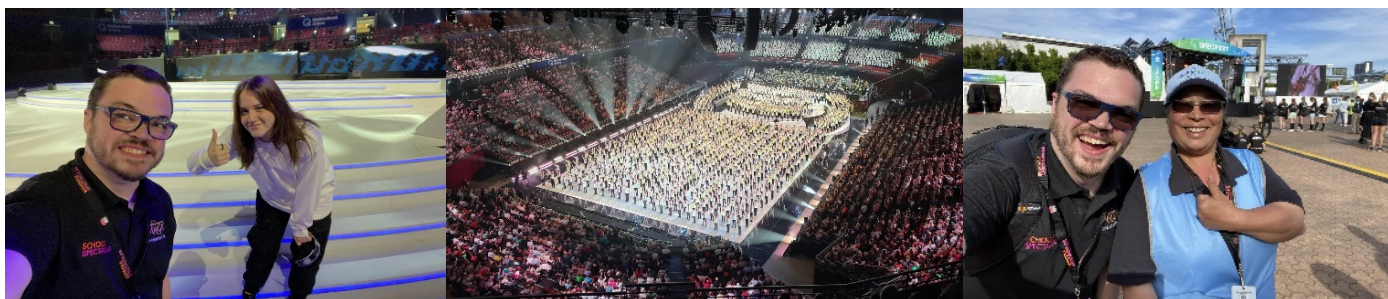
*Jasmine Footit and Cooper Easthorpe*

When you are not very artistic yourself, you are often in awe at the skill and creativity of others. However, even for the most creative person, I would suggest that they would find Isabella Pelle's Higher School Certificate Body of Work brilliant. Isabella's work has been nominated and selected as part of the ARTEXPRESS Exhibition for 2023. Congratulations, Isabella on your selection in this prestigious exhibition.





School Spectacular is always a magical week when audiences can sit back in awe at the amazing talent across our public schools. This year more than 4 700 students and teachers from across New South Wales participated in School Spectacular, including Emily Baker from Year 12 2023 and our amazing staff, Fatima and Michael. Congratulations to everyone involved in this unique quality showcase.



Thank you to Cambridge Park High School and Cranebrook High School for joining our Visual Arts students in a masterclass with the 2022 Archibald Prize Winner, Blak Douglas. We were all privileged to have the opportunity to meet such an amazing artist.



The last week of school for students in 2022 will see Year 12 2023 engage in the End of Year Activities. The Learning and Wellbeing Team have been carefully planning this event to provide an opportunity for this cohort to celebrate this year with some terrific activities and build greater connections with their peers.

I cannot express my gratitude and pride as Principal to St Marys Senior High School enough. I am humbled by the support shown by our entire school community. Thank you to our staff, students, School Council,



parents and community supporters. I would also like to publicly acknowledge the tireless work of my Senior Executive colleagues, Danielle Ervine and Leah Havord and their support of me throughout 2022.

Finally, I look forward with great anticipation to 2023 and working with our students, staff, parents and community in a school that remains intensely focused on providing the best possible learning environment for every student. I wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and look forward to us all working together successfully next year.



*Presentation Day 2022*

**Sally Smithard**  
*Principal*





# Not feeling well?



## Students:

- Be sure to stay at home - and focus on feeling better!
- Your parents and carers can contact the school to explain your absence.
- If you have an assessment task to do at school, be sure to contact your Deputy Principal **by 11am on the day the task is due** - and fill out your illness and misadventure application online and send through your supporting evidence ASAP.



# End of year program 2022

Thursday December 15 – Friday December 16 2022



## DAY 1: THURSDAY 15 DECEMBER 2022

**Mufti Theme: Heroes And Villains**

Time	Activity/Venue
8:20 am - 9:00 am	<b>Assembly - MPC (All Teams)</b>
9:00 am - 10:30 am	<b>Activity 1</b> <i>Check the roster for the teams in our year group Google Classroom</i>
10:30 am - 11:00 am	<b>Recess</b>
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	<b>Activity 2</b> <i>Check the roster for the teams in our year group Google Classroom</i>
12:30 pm - 1:00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
1:00 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>Talent Quest - MPC</b> <i>Hosted by the SRC</i>
<b>End of the day @ 2:30 pm</b>	

## DAY 2: FRIDAY 16 DECEMBER 2022

**Mufti Theme: Happy Holidays!**

Time	Activity/Venue
8:20 am – 9:50 am	<b>Activity 3</b> <i>Check the roster for the teams in our year group Google Classroom</i>
9:50 am – 10:30 am	<b>Recess on the Lawn</b>
10:30 am - 12:00 pm	<b>Activity 4</b> <i>Check the roster for the teams in our year group Google Classroom</i>
<b>End of the day @ 12:00 pm</b>	





YOUTH PARLIAMENT 2022

# Become a Youth MP!

We are currently looking for young people (15-18yrs) who are passionate about representing their school, local area or simply who loves to debate on prevalent issues facing young people



## We are looking for:

- A young person who wants to be the voice for change within NSW
- A young person who is passionate about advocacy and speaking up on prevalent issues facing young people
- A young person who wants to be a part of the Youth Parliament and advocacy community in NSW!

**APPLY TODAY**



### BENEFIT:

- Debate on issues that mean most to you in NSW Parliament in front of NSW Ministers and Shadow Ministers
- Advocacy, public speaking and Parliamentary upskilling workshops

## KEY DATES

17 - 19 April 2023 | Training Camp

9 - 15 July 2023 | Youth Sitting Week

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## **Our school can also nominate someone to attend the Youth Parliament activities.**

If you are keen to represent our school, please contact Salochna, the Head Teacher of Commercial Studies (salochna.reddy@det.nsw.edu.au) **by 3.20 pm on Friday 9 December** and outline how you meet the following:

### **Essential criteria:**

The young person you select must meet the following essential criteria. They must:

- Be in years 10,11 or 12 or age equivalent in 2023
- Be open to exploring prevalent topics that face young people in NSW in an

### **Desirable criteria:**

We encourage you to choose a young person who would benefit from exposure to our values - advocacy, education and leadership; and who would best represent the young people of your school.

Your nominee may have one or more of these qualities:

- Leadership qualities that are either already evident or with potential to develop further
- An interest in the Parliamentary system and how laws in NSW are made
- Passionate about seeing change happen in NSW
- Passionate about their local community
- Demonstrated potential for personal and professional growth





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# Academic Counselling EOI Closing Wednesday 7th December



See Lucas or Scan the QR  
Code to register

# SMSHS – SOURCES OF SUPPORT



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School Counsellors	Tracey Axisa Ximia Han	Please text the counsellor phone on 0417228192 during school hours to organise an appointment
Student Support Officer	Surmeet Kaur	<a href="mailto:surmeet.kaur@det.nsw.edu.au">surmeet.kaur@det.nsw.edu.au</a>
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Deputy Principal Year 12 2023	Leah Havord	<a href="mailto:leah.havord@det.nsw.edu.au">leah.havord@det.nsw.edu.au</a>








## Term 4 Weeks 9 and 10 2022 @ SMSHS

Monday 5 Dec	Tuesday 6 Dec	Wednesday 7 Dec	Thursday 8 Dec	Friday 9 Dec
<b>Year 12 Earth and Environmental Science</b> – Task 1 due  <b>Year 12 IPT</b> – Task 1 due	<b>PERIOD ZERO BELL TIMES</b>  <b>Year 12 PDHPE</b> – Task 1 to complete in the Period Zero  <b>Year 12 Maths Extension 2</b> – Task 1 due  <b>Year 12 Agriculture</b> – Task 1 due	<b>Year 12 Engineering Studies</b> – Task 1 due  <b>Year 12 Food Technology</b> – Task 1 due	<b>PERIOD ZERO BELL TIMES</b>  <b>Year 12 Biology</b> – Task 1 to complete in the Period Zero  <b>Year 12 Geography</b> – Task 1 due  <b>Year 12 Dance</b> – Task 1 due  <b>Year 12 CAFS</b> – Task 1 due	<b>Visual Arts AGNSW Exhibition Excursion</b>
Monday 12 Dec	Tuesday 13 Dec	Wednesday 14 Dec	Thursday 15 Dec	Friday 16 Dec
<b>Confirmation Day</b>	<b>PERIOD ZERO BELL TIMES</b>  <b>Year 12 Business Studies</b> – Task 1 to complete in the Period Zero	<b>Year 12 Retail Services</b> – Cluster C due	<b>End of Year Activities</b>	<b>End of Year Activities</b>  <b>Last day of school for students</b>

### Our Teams

Principal:	Sally Smithard
School Council President:	Sonia Matthews
School Captains:	Jade D'Souza Joanna Simeon
School Executive:	
- Deputy Principal (Year 12)	Danielle Ervine
- Deputy Principal (Year 11)	Leah Havord
- English	Julie Robinson
- Mathematics	Simone Pett
- Science (Rel)	Andrew Mabey
- Commercial Studies	Salochna Reddy
- HSIE	Shara Walsh
- CAPA	Nicole Bonfield
- TAS / Computing	Matthew Topp
- LOTE	Luigi Serra
- PDHPE (Rel)	Joanne Brines
- Secondary Studies	Lucas Widdison
- Learning and Wellbeing	Melissa Jacka
- Head Teacher (Year 12)	Charly Ebejer
- Head Teacher (Year 11)	Tracie Huet
- First Australians	Leah Havord
- Business Manager (Acting)	Rebecca Zinghini
- School Administrative Manager (Rel)	Angela Demaio
Student Advisers:	
- Year 12, Surnames A-G	Wendi Kambolli
- Year 12, Surnames H-O	
- Year 12, Surnames P-Z	Jesse Francis
- Year 11, Surnames A-G	Sharon Francis
- Year 11, Surnames H-O	Sally Sheng
- Year 11, Surnames P-Z	Ellen Worgan
Learning Support:	Margo Daly Carmel Harriden Carly McPherson
Student Support Officer:	Surmeet Kaur
Careers Adviser (Rel):	Cheryll Ruskin

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