



TERM 3 WEEKS 1-2

22 July – 1 August 2025

Important Dates – Term 3 2025

W1	Tue 22 Jul	First day of classes for students in Term 3 School Council Meeting, 6pm via Teams
W1	Fri 25 Jul	Pyjama Day Fundraiser
W3	Mon 4 Aug	School examination period begins
W5	Fri 22 Aug	School examination period concludes
W6	Tue 26 Aug	School Council Meeting, 6pm via Teams
W6	Thu 28 Aug	HSC BOW Art Exhibition
W8	Thu 11 Sep	Bring It On Dance 2025 R U OK? Day
W9	Tue 16 Sep	Heritage Day 2025
W10	Mon 22 Sep	School Captain 2026 Elections
W10	Tue 23 Sep	HSC Major Works Assembly
W10	Thu 25 Sep	Year 12 Graduation Rehearsal, P3 & P4 Year 11 Year Meeting, P5
W10	Fri 26 Sep	Year 12 Graduation @ Norwest Convention Centre Year 11 2025 Seminar Day #2 @ school

Principal's Report

I hope this newsletter finds our school community well after the holiday break. I trust all our students used the time to relax and recharge, being all set to come back to school refreshed and ready for a busy Term 3.

This term is intense for our students as they move into the school examination period. The second half of the term is filled with significant milestones for both Year 11 and Year 12. It can be exciting and filled with anticipation as Year 12 move beyond formal schooling, as well as sad for the same reasons. Year 11 will complete their final term of their Preliminary Courses, commencing Year 12 in Term 4. This is a very exciting time for them and their families. These milestones will occur whilst other significant events take place: Trial Higher School Certificate Examinations, Year 11 Course Examinations, completion of Year 12 Major Work Projects, Higher School Certificate performances and language speaking examinations, along with Heritage Day. This is such an important day, celebrating and highlighting our school values: inclusive, aspirational, respectful.

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Inclusive ~ Aspirational ~ Respectful

Principal's Report continued

This term we will also have the absolute pleasure of hearing from our future student leaders, with part of our Student Leadership Team for 2026 being voted on by our staff and students in Year 12 2026. We have a wonderful student body, and I encourage all our current Year 11 students to consider nominating for the positions of School Captain and School Vice Captain. I wish everyone the best of luck in their preparations.

With regards to the upcoming examination period, students are reminded that if they are unwell they should not attend school and will need to obtain a medical certificate, as outlined in the school's assessment policy. This policy can be found in the front of the school assessment booklets for each year group, which students received at the start of the year and which can also be found in each year group's Google Classroom.

If students are going to be absent from an examination, they must email their Deputy Principal, Danielle (Danielle.ervine@det.nsw.edu.au) or Leah (leah.havord@det.nsw.edu.au) to let them know they are not well **before 7.30 am on the day of the examination**. The illness and misadventure application forms for each year group can be accessed via the relevant year group Google Classroom and must be supported by independent evidence, such as an appropriate medical certificate. We will endeavour to provide students where possible with an opportunity to complete an alternate examination paper when they are well.

We would like to remind our community that, in accordance with Department policy, our school is unable to provide paracetamol (such as Panadol) or any other pain relief medications and other medications to students. While we are committed to ensuring the wellbeing of our students, we cannot administer medication without prior consent and appropriate documentation. If your child is experiencing discomfort, we will provide care and promptly contact you to arrange for your child to be collected and looked after at home. Thank you for your understanding and support.

We are also currently working to seek the consent of parents and carers for student use of particular digital tools we use across our school, as part of the Department's commitment to cyber security. Parents and carers can complete the consent form that has been sent to them through School Bytes, and any questions or concerns can be directed to Matthew Topp, our Head Teacher TAS/Computing, through our Administration Team.

Wishing you all a positive start to Term 3.

Sally Smithard

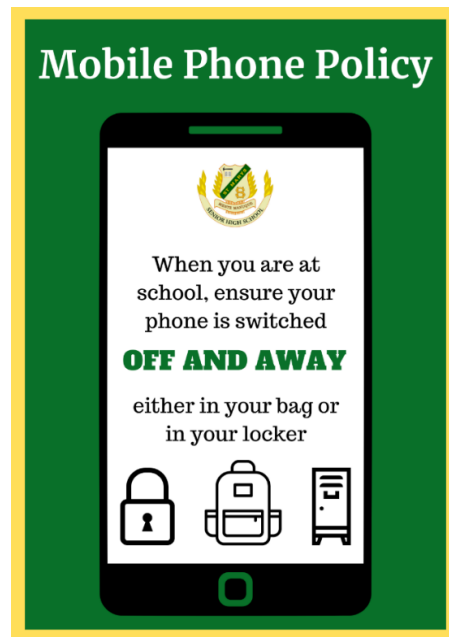
Principal



Support in the Learning Centre, Term 3 2025

During every lesson, our school has a teacher available to provide students with additional support in our Learning Centre. These staff can provide specific curriculum support in a range of subjects as well as connecting students to the Learning and Support Teachers. *A copy of this timetable is provided by Lucas, our Head Teacher Secondary Studies in the Learning Centre.*

If you have any questions or concerns, please pop in to see Mel (Head Teacher Wellbeing) in the Learning Centre at your first opportunity.



After Hours Tutorial Program, Term 3 2025

Our school runs a range of optional tutorials before and after school at no additional cost to students. These tutorials will recommence this term **but will not run during the school examination period (Term 3, Weeks 3-5 2025).**

The schedule for tutorials for Term 3 is shown on the following page.

If you are interested in attending one (or more) of these, please ensure you get a permission note from the Tutorial Teacher shown. This note must be completed and returned to the Tutorial Teacher before you can attend the tutorial activity.





SMSHS Tutorial Program Timetable

Term 3 2025 ~ Weeks A & B

As at 4 July 2025

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
BEFORE SCHOOL 7.15 – 8.15 am	Biology Year 12 Jess TC-G-3	CAFS Year 12 Sharon B-U-1	Chemistry Year 11 Lidija E-G-4	Biology Year 11 Jess TC-G-3	Chemistry Year 12 Lidija E-G-4
	Physics Year 12 Waran E-G-6		Earth & Env Science Year 12 Jess TC-G-3		English Adv & Std Year 12 – Paper 1 Section 2 Practice** Danielle S-U-5
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AFTER SCHOOL 3.25 – 4.25 pm		Biology Year 12 Jess TC-G-3	Business Studies Year 12 Karishma S-G-6	Chemistry Year 12 Lidija E-G-4	
		Economics Year 12 Salochna S-G-6	Drama Nicole V-U-2	Legal Studies Year 12 Salochna S-G-6	
		Maths Advanced Year 11 and 12 Jacqui S-U-2	English Adv & Std Year 11 Multimodals** Danielle S-U-5	Physics Year 11 Andrew TC-G-3	
		Maths Standard Year 11 and 12 Sharina TC-U-2	Maths Ext 1 & 2 Reuben S-U-1	Visual Arts Practical Only Sharon and Vanessa V-U-1	
		Music Michael and Fatima V-G-1	Table Top Gaming Matt Tech Centre		
		Society and Culture Lauren and Dean S-G-4			
AFTER SCHOOL					English Adv & Std Year 12 – Paper 2 Practice** Danielle S-U-5 Wk A: 2pm – 4.10 pm Wk B: 1pm – 3.10 pm
** - These tutorials do not start until Term 3 Week 6 2025.					





Come to school in your Pyjamas as we raise awareness for the Pyjama Foundation!

SMSHS 25/07/2025
NATIONAL FRIDAY
PYJAMA DAY WK1



NATIONAL PYJAMA DAY - FRIDAY 25 JULY 2025

STUDENTS AT SMSHS ARE INVITED TO WEAR THEIR FAVOURITE PYJAMAS TO SCHOOL IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL PYJAMA DAY! THIS FUN INITIATIVE RAISES AWARENESS AND VITAL FUNDS FOR THE PYJAMA FOUNDATION, WHICH SUPPORTS CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE BY PROVIDING LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES, EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES, AND POSITIVE MENTORING RELATIONSHIPS. EVERY DOLLAR RAISED HELPS CHANGE LIVES!

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SMSHS – SOURCES OF SUPPORT



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Year 11 2025 Student Adviser, Surnames A-G	Jacqui Crawhall	Jacqueline.crawhall@det.nsw.edu.au
Year 11 2025 Student Adviser, Surnames H-O	Wendi Kambolli	wendi.kambolli@det.nsw.edu.au
Year 11 2025 Student Adviser, Surnames P-Z	Luigi Serra	luigi.serra@det.nsw.edu.au
Year 12 2025 Student Adviser, Surnames A-G	TBA	TBA
Year 12 2025 Student Adviser, Surnames H-O	Lauren Hasna	lauren.hasna@det.nsw.edu.au
Year 12 2025 Student Adviser, Surnames P-Z	Jeffrey Larsen	jeffrey.larsen6@det.nsw.edu.au
Head Teacher, Learning and Wellbeing	Melissa Jacka	melissa.jacka@det.nsw.edu.au
Learning Support Team	Carmel Harriden (M, T) Carly McPherson (T, W, T) Anne-Maree Magi (Th, F) Ashlee Pleffer (M, T, W)	carmel.harriden@det.nsw.edu.au carly.mcpherson@det.nsw.edu.au annemaree.magi@det.nsw.edu.au ashlee.pleffer@det.nsw.edu.au
School Counsellors	Aimee Tang Ximia Han Tracey Axisa	Please text the counsellor phone on 0417228192 during school hours to organise an appointment
Student Support Officer (Rel)	Isidro Alfonso	TBA
Careers Adviser	Cheryll Ruskin	Cheryll.ruskin@det.nsw.edu.au
Deputy Principal Year 11 2025	Danielle Ervine	danielle.ervine@det.nsw.edu.au
Deputy Principal Year 12 2025	Leah Havord	leah.havord@det.nsw.edu.au



Term 3 Weeks 1A @ SMSHS

Monday 21 Jul	Tuesday 22 July	Wednesday 23 Jul	Thursday 24 Jul	Friday 25 Jul
Staff Development Day	First day of classes for students in Term 3 School Council Meeting, 6pm via Teams	Lunch concerts		Pyjama Day Fundraiser

Term 3 Weeks 2B @ SMSHS

Monday 28 Jul	Tuesday 29 Jul	Wednesday 30 Jul	Thursday 31 Jul	Friday 1 Aug
Laing O'Rourke STEM+ Program	HSC and Preliminary Dance Showcase 2025	Lunch concerts	HSC Drama Showcase	HSC Drama Showcase

Our Teams

Principal:	Sally Smithard
School Council President:	Sonia Matthews
School Captains:	Elliot Moore Rosetta Yankson
School Executive:	
- Deputy Principal (Year 11 2025)	Danielle Ervine
- Deputy Principal (Year 12 2025)	Leah Havord
- English	Julie Robinson
- Mathematics	Simone Pett
- Science	Lidija Radovancevic
- Commercial Studies	Salochna Reddy
- HSIE	Shara Walsh
- CAPA	Nicole Bonfield
- TAS / PDHPE	Sharon Francis
- TAS / Computing	Matthew Topp
- LOTE	Luigi Serra
- Secondary Studies	Lucas Widdison
- Wellbeing	Melissa Jacka
- First Australians	Leah Havord
- Sports Coordinator	Joanne Brines
- Business Manager (Acting)	Rebecca Zinghini
- School Administrative Manager (Rel)	Angela Demaio
Student Advisers:	
- Year 11 2025, Surnames A-G	Jacqui Crawhall
- Year 11 2025, Surnames H-O	Wendi Kambolli
- Year 11 2025, Surnames P-Z	Luigi Serra
- Year 12 2025, Surnames A-G	TBA
- Year 12 2025, Surnames H-O	Lauren Hasna
- Year 12 2025, Surnames P-Z	Jeff Larsen
Learning Support:	Carmel Harriden (M, T) Carly McPherson (T, W, T) Anne-Maree Magi (Th, F) Ashlee Pleffer (M, T, W)
Student Support Officer (Rel):	Isidro Alfonso
Careers Adviser:	Cheryll Ruskin

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