

St Marys Senior High School

Principal: Sally Smithard

School Captains: Neha Bhatt
Avisha Khan

School Council President: Ross Abbott

Principal's Report

Last Tuesday we celebrated the achievements of our staff and students for 2018 with our annual Presentation Day awards. This is one of the most important events on our school calendar and recognises the outstanding work of Year 11 and 12 students across a range of areas including academics, creative and performing arts, sports and community service. It was wonderful to see so many parents, family members and community members celebrating this special day with us. Congratulations go to all of our award winners for their achievements.



Andrea Reyes receiving her Principal's Award

Congratulations to Taylah Stevens, Year 12 2018 who last week was 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 Association, and Taylah has met this award for her chosen sport, touch football.

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IMPORTANT DATES - TERM 4 2018

W9	Mon 10 Dec	Confirmation Day Year 11 2019
W9	Tues 11 Dec	End of Year Trek (Tasmania) begins
W9	Wed 12 Dec	SRC Talent Quest
W10	Mon 17 Dec	Collaroy Leadership Camp begins
W10	Mon 17 Dec	School Leadership Program begins
W10	Wed 19 Dec	Last day of school for students

IMPORTANT DATES - TERM 1 2019

W1	Wed 30 Jan	Year 11 students return
W1	Thur 31 Jan	Year 12 students return
W4	Fri 22 Feb	School Swimming Carnival
W6	Tues 5 Mar	School Photos
W10	Fri 5 Apr	Open Evening, 3 pm -7 pm





On Monday 10 December we welcome Year 11 2019 to St Marys Senior High School as they attend Confirmation Day as part of their transition to their final two years of schooling. Thank you to all staff for their efforts in ensuring that this event runs smoothly especially Liz Hemmings, Matt Topp, Danielle Ervine and our Student Advisers.

On Thursday 13 December Higher School Certificate results are released. This is both a nervous and exciting time for our students and families. Students who qualify for an ATAR will receive these results the following day. No matter what the outcome of these two days, these results are simply a snapshot of who you are as a person and your future endeavours. Each of us are more than a number and contribute to society in a variety of ways. Having said that, we wait in anticipation to hear about your results and your university offers, and ask that you keep in touch with us and offer ongoing support to you and your families.

Finally, I look forward with great anticipation to 2019 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.

Sally Smithard

Principal



CAPA report

These past three weeks have been very hectic for students in CAPA.

During Week 6, six Music and Entertainment students were involved in this year's Schools Spectacular at Quodos Arena. This was a mammoth undertaking involving over 5000 students from across the state (including Norfolk Island) pulling together "The Greatest" Production. The Schools Spectacular still holds the record in the Guinness Book of Records for the biggest variety show in the Southern Hemisphere. Congratulations to Nurhan Solbudak as a member of the orchestra, Fairuz Samin in the Choir and Jade Cooney, Adi Gurtala, Jodi Shinn and Marley Smith as members of the VET Production crew. By performance time, we were all very hyped as well as being very tired. They were long days and nights but all of the work was worth it in the end. We are looking forward to watching it on Channel 7 on Saturday 8 December at 7pm.



Fairuz Samin, Fatima De Assis, Michael Nolan, Jodi Shinn, Jade Cooney and Marley Smith



Jade Cooney, Nurhan Solbudak, Fatima De Assis, Michael Nolan and Jodi Shinn

At the beginning of Week 7, we completed the Year 12 auditions for “In The Heights”. We had a fantastic response and it is great to see so many talented students eager to take the risk to be part of a project that will undoubtedly be a phenomenal experience that all will treasure. Some students indicated that they were not at school during the auditions due to work placement, with some believing they have missed out... But this is not the case! While principal roles have been cast, you can still audition for the ensemble or to be part of the production crew. You also do not have to be a CAPA student to audition. The Creative Team is unanimous in the belief that the opportunity needs to be available to all students. By becoming involved, you have nothing to lose and so much to gain. You will be able to do the auditions with the Year 11 students in Term 1 Week 1 on Thursday afternoon (your second day back in 2019).

In The Heights - Cast announcement

Principal performers

Deakin Ball	Benny, employee of Rosario's
Jason Cabrera	Usnavi Vi De La Vega, owner of De La Vega Bodega
Alessandra Delfin	Nina Rosario, a freshman at Stanford University
Evelyn Funtanilla	Daniel, owner of Daniela's Salon
Jericho Gunay	Graffiti Pete, an artist
Angelique Mangahas	Camila Rosario, Nina's mother and co-owner of Rosario's Car Service
Kimberley Quinto	Carla, works at the salon
Grant Perez	Piragua Guy, scrapes piraguas from his block of ice
Brent Severino	Sonny, Usnavi's cousin
Christina Sanosa	Vanessa, works at the salon
Luc Sta Elena	Kevin Rosario, Nina's father, owner of Rosario's Car Service
Harmony Terepai	Abuela Claudia, raised Usnavi but not his blood grandmother

Ensemble performers

Kenneth Blasco	Cayla Cadiante	Jillian Capistrano
Anastasia Cardines	Eiriz Merjudio	Josh Obliga
JC Ogoy	Rianna Pulido	Armin Ramazanzadeh
Angel Samu	Vitoryna Vaifale	Denise Zamora



Congratulations to all of the students that have participated so far. We are all very proud of you.

As we are coming to the end of the term, the creative and performing arts events keep going. During Week 9 the SRC run Talent Quest will be held on Wednesday 12 December and the next evening we have the final showcase of Music students for the year. This involves the production of "Iconic", a celebration of the contributions of Queen and Michael Jackson. School community members are welcome to come along on Thursday 6 December at 7:30pm to watch some fantastic performances by our students. *A reminder that entry to the school is via the gates at the rear of the school (from Creek Road).*

Fatima De Assis

Music Teacher

SHINE THE LIGHT OF YOUR TALENT,

THIS YEAR !!



Get ready to give SMSHS the dose of
your talent!!

SAVE THE DATE: 12.12.18

Don't forget to wear **blue and white** on the day
and bring your gold coin donation for UNICEF

Talent Quest Assembly

Bell times for Wednesday 12 December 2018

Period 1	8.20 am - 9.10 am
Period 2	9.10 am - 10.00 am
Period 3	10.00 am - 10.50 am
Recess	10.50 am - 11.20 am
Period 4	11.20 am - 12.10 pm
Period 5	12.10 pm - 1.00 pm
Lunch	1.00 pm - 1.30 pm
Talent Quest, MPC	1.30 pm - 3.20 pm



Collaroy and School Leadership Camp Meetings – Friday 14 December 2018

Our bell times have been adjusted to accommodate these compulsory meetings:

Period 1	8.20 am – 9.25 am
Period 2	9.25 am – 10.30 am
Camp meetings	10.30 am – 11.00 am
Recess	11.00 am – 11.30 am
Period 3	11.30 am – 12.35 pm
Period 4	12.35 pm – 1.40 pm
Lunch	1.40 pm – 2.20 pm
Period 5	2.20 pm – 3.20 pm






This fortnight @ SMSHS

Monday 10 Dec	Tuesday 11 Dec	Wednesday 12 Dec	Thursday 13 Dec	Friday 14 Dec
WEEK A Year 11 2019 Confirmation Day Year 12 Investigating Science – Research task due Year 12 Studies of Religion – Presentation and research essay due	PERIOD ZERO BELL TIMES End of Year Trek begins! Pathways to Dreaming Excursion Wet N Wild Excursion Year 12 Economics – Research task due Year 12 Food Technology – Period Zero, Topic test Year 12 Modern History – Source analysis due Year 12 Studies of Religion – Presentation and research essay due	SRC Talent Quest Year 12 Geography – Fieldwork report due Year 12 Maths Ext 1 – In class assessment Year 12 Studies of Religion – Presentation and research essay due	Year 12 Biology – Group presentation and role play due Year 12 CAFS – IRP due Year 12 Maths Ext 2 – In class assessment Year 12 Music – Performances Year 12 Studies of Religion – Presentation and research essay due	Camp Meetings – end of Period 2 Year 12 Studies of Religion – Presentation and research essay due
Monday 17 Dec	Tuesday 18 Dec	Wednesday 19 Dec	Thursday 20 Dec	Friday 21 Dec
WEEK B Collaroy Leadership Camp begins School Leadership Program begins		Last day of school for students Collaroy Camp and School Leadership Program conclude	Staff Development Day End of Year Trek concludes	Staff Development Day

Our Staff Teams

Principal:	Sally Smithard
School Leadership Team:	
- Deputy Principal (Year 12)	Danielle Ervine
- Deputy Principal (Year 11 - Rel)	Leah Havord
- English	Julie Robinson
- Mathematics	Simone Pett
- Science	Lidija Radovancevic
- Commercial Studies (Rel)	Salochna Reddy
- HSIE	Lisa O'Neill
- CAPA	Lesley Stubbs
- Computing	Matthew Topp
- LOTE	Luigi Serra
- TAS/PDHPE (Rel)	Angela Lievore
- Secondary Studies	Liz Hemmings
- Student Services (Rel)	Peta Bailey
- First Australians	Lidija Radovancevic
- Sport and Recreation	Joanne Brines
- School Administrative Manager	Rebecca Zinghini
Student Advisers:	
- Year 12, Surnames A-G	Charly Ebejer
- Year 12, Surnames H-O	Ellen Worgan
- Year 12, Surnames P-Z	Lyn Tuckwell
- Year 11, Surnames A-G	Luigi Serra
- Year 11, Surnames H-O	Andrew Mabey
- Year 11, Surnames P-Z	Nicola Preston
Learning Support:	Carmel Harriden Dianne Pyne
Careers Adviser:	Lyn Tuckwell

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