

YEAR 11 NEWS

WEEK 6. TERM 3 2019

YEAR 11 TEAM LEADERS

All the best to Year 11 next week as they begin their examinations. I know they have looked up to the Year 12 boys who have remained focused in their study throughout the week. The boys should trust in their preparation, following their work in the Skills of Accomplishment program and their dedication since January. Mr Weeding and Mr Nunan spoke to the boys about the expectations during the assessment period, especially the need to be familiar with NESA's rules regarding examinations. The Academic Portfolio Team have organised study sessions for each afternoon between 3.30pm-4.30pm for respective subjects during Week 6 & 7 — which are definitely worthwhile!

As usual, there was a lot going on this week. James Gray, Jeremy Dunn and Oliver Penn, have continued their excellent work discussing positive relationships with their peers from Pymble Ladies' College leading up to their Year 11 formal. It has been great to see this burgeoning partnership grow for something that is so important. Ethan Wood added to the musical theme in recent weeks, performing an impressive guitar solo at Year Meeting.

Today the boys have donned their jerseys in support of organ donation and a statement was read on behalf of Harry Rockwell's family to endorse this important gift of life to others. As the boys begin to get their drivers license, they will have the option of ticking the box to be an organ donor and we have encouraged them to seriously consider this option.

Whilst there is a long way to go, it is still necessary to reflect on the hard work and progress of the boys this year. There have been several trials along the way but as a year group, there is definitely a growing sense of camaraderie which will continue to develop throughout the next 15 months and beyond. Keep on doing what you are doing!

Well done, Year 11.

DUNCAN STEDMAN

STUDENT ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

Term 4 will be the changeover from winter to summer uniform. Please check that your son's uniform still fits and if you require new items, these are all available at the Uniform Shop or can be ordered via <u>Flexischools</u>. This also applies to summer sport uniform. Appointments are not required.

Congratulations to the victorious Symphonic Wind Ensemble that competed at Penrith. Knox took numerous bands and ensembles to the competition, and we congratulate all the Year 11 boys and KAPA on their wonderful results.

Congratulations to William James, Mac Omm, Matthew Roberts and Liam Slarke who competed at the NSW Snow Sports Championships last week. It was a huge week, full of challenging weather culminating in absolutely stunning conditions. William James and Mac Omm have qualified for the Nationals at Mount Buller in September. Well done boys!

On Saturday 7 September from 9am-12noon in the Roach Junior Academy Lounge, JAPAC, parents are warmly invited to the 'Global Café'. An inspiring morning of collaboration and rich conversations where we will explore the future of education and the importance for our students to develop the global competency skills of communication, collaboration, critical thinking, creativity, character and citizenship. Please RSVP by Friday 30 August.

CAS Track & Field Championships are on Thursday 19 September. Along with the CAS Swimming, this is another great CAS event and our team needs the boys' support. We want as many Year 11 students to come along and enjoy a great night of Athletics. For more information click here or you can access it in the Parent Lounge. Parents must complete the permission note by Monday 16 September.

Have a great weekend.

Robin Cherry 02 9119 0884



Sport fixtures

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Year 11 Exam Timetable

Exam Code of Conduct

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 2 and Tuesday 3 September

Year 11 Study Days

Wednesday 4 to Sunday 8 September

 Snowsports Championships Mount Buller

Wednesday 4 to Wednesday 18 September

Year 11 Yearly Exams

Friday 6 September

Legacy Badge Day

Sunday 8 September

 Knox Highland Gathering 9am - 5pm
 Knox 1 Oval, Senior School

Thursday 12 September

• RUOK? Day

Wednesday 18 September

 CAS Track and Field Championships SOPAC - Homebush

See the full calendar in Parent Lounge

STAGE 6 ACADEMY TEAM

At the Year Meeting this week the upcoming Preliminary Exam period was addressed. The following is a summary of the areas covered.

• The boys were introduced to Mrs Nicole Hayman who will be the Presiding Officer. She outlined the procedures, especially on the first day of exams so they are familiar with the routine in advance. The boys were sent the Stage 6 Code of Conduct this week. The importance of getting to an exam early and reading the exam timetable carefully was reinforced. The boys are encouraged to plan ahead with respect to transport to ensure they have allowed extra time for travel.



- Throughout the year the boys have been educated about the importance of exercise, good diet and getting plenty of sleep. These habits are vital during exam periods and this message was reinforced by Mrs Goddard.
- During the study days (Monday 2 September and Tuesday 3 September) the boys are free to use Seniors' Hall to study. Teachers will be available at the time they normally teach on these study days for assistance. It is OK for the boys to study at home on these days, and on days when they don't have an exam.
- On non-exam days boys are welcome to study at school in neat casuals. On exam days the boys are expected to be in full school uniform, including wearing their boater and blazer to school. Cadets can wear their cadet uniform to a Friday exam.
- During the exam period, Seniors' Hall will be open for individual and group study. The WSA Library will be used as an exam room throughout the day so will not be available. Evening Study in Seniors' Hall and Senior Library will operate as normal, as will the sign up procedures for dinner.
- Classes resume on Thursday 19 September.

On behalf of the School, all the very best to Year 11 for the upcoming Preliminary Exams.

ANDREW WEEDING AND GREG NUNAN

SNOW SPORTS









KNOX HIGHLAND GATHERING

The wider community are warmly invited to the Knox Highland Gathering, a day of traditional Scottish Pipe Band music. Entry is free.

When: Sunday 8 September 2019, 9am-5pm
Where: Knox 1 Oval, Senior School

There will be a solo performance competition in the morning and a Pipe Band competition in the afternoon. There will be a barbeaue, coffee van and cake stall on the day.

For more information, please contact Judith McGhie, mcghiej@knox.nsw.edu.au.







PLC/KNOX POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP GROUP





LEGACY BADGE DAY

Each year we support Legacy Badge Day- 6 September. Volunteers will attend the local shops, Warrawee and Wahroonga stations and the school gates to sell badges in support of Legacy. The Badge Day raises funds for the vital work it does for families of veterans. Legacy Week is always the first week of September and has been held since World War II. It also provides many opportunities for Legacy to talk about the work it does. See more about Legacy on this link



RUOK?DAY

This important day is a poignant reminder to all of us to check in with each other and check if others are OK. This day is our national day of action dedicated to reminding everyone that every day is the day to ask, 'Are you ok?' and support those struggling with life's ups and down . This year on Thursday 12 September, we want everyone to: Trust the Signs, Trust your gut and Ask R U OK? Read more on this <code>link</code>

