



15 November 2018

Dear Parents of Boys in Form IV,

As mentioned in the newsletter last week, I am writing to advise you of the arrangements for boys in Form IV towards the end of this term. Some of these special activities form part of the PDHPE course work.

Monday 26 November

Morning session – **Careers** based workshops conducted by *Elevate Education*

1. Finding and applying for a job
2. The Interview process.

<https://au.elevateeducation.com>

Middle session – **“All My Own Work”** - A compulsory programme designed to help Higher School Certificate pupils follow the principles and practices of good scholarship. This includes understanding and valuing ethical practices when locating and using information as part of their HSC studies.

<http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/11-12/hsc/hsc-all-my-own-work>

Afternoon session – **Associate Professor John Raftos**, who specialises in emergency medicine from St Vincent’s Hospital. The session will deal with safe practices around the partying scene and many aspects of alcohol and substance abuse.

Tuesday 27 November

Roll call will be at 8.30 on this day.

Boys will attend presentations and activities by **“Batyr”**, an organisation that focuses on preventative education in the area of youth mental health.

www.batyr.com.au

Wednesday 28 November - Friday 30 November

Senior First Aid Course for all non-cadets (Army) at College Street

For Army Cadet Corps - First Aid Course (Wednesday and Thursday) then Army Cadet Corps Promotions course.

All boys are required to attend and must obtain a **“USI” number before Wednesday 28 November**. USI is short for Unique Student Identifier. It is a reference number made up of numbers and letters, unique to each student. This USI Number will stay with the student for life, and must be recorded with any nationally recognised VET course they undertake.

I will remind boys via daily registration that if they do not have a USI they will not get the qualifications.

Boys – Please follow the below link, record your USI and bring it with you on Wednesday 28 November:

<https://www.usi.gov.au/students/create-your-usi>

These activities will take place at College Street and on all five days listed above boys are to report as usual by **8:40am** when roll call will be taken with the exception of **Tuesday 27 November** when roll call will be at **8.30am**.

For the First Aid course, boys will be grouped in their tutor groups. I will advise them of room allocations closer to the time. Each boy should bring a pen and paper.

End time is 3:00pm each day for non-cadets and 4:30pm for Army Cadets.

The training is being conducted by staff of **Lifeguard International**, under the supervision of Sydney Grammar School masters. Upon completion, the boys will receive a Certificate of Accreditation. The course is a nationally recognised workplace accreditation. To complete the course, boys must attend **all hours** of instruction and successfully complete a theory and practical examination at the end of the course. The accreditation lasts for three years and will be an excellent qualification to add to their resumes.

<http://www.lifeguardinternational.net>

Army Cadets will be given separate instructions by Major Cree. Please note that Army Cadets are expected to do some **First Aid homework on the Wednesday night** in order to complete the course and obtain their qualifications.

Dress: Monday 26 November to Friday 30 November – full School uniform

Music: Conductors will advise boys if they are required. Instrumental lessons can take place before or after school or during the lunch break in consultation with the teacher

Sport: Training will be as normal after school on Tuesday 27 November and Thursday 29 November (except for cadets on Thursday 29 November). There is no sport training for Form IV Monday 3 December to Wednesday 5 December.

Recess, registration and lunch will be at normal times. Boys will be allowed to go into the city as usual during the lunch break, but they must return promptly to resume each session at the start of period 6.

Assembly will proceed as normal on Friday 30 November.

Monday 4 December to Wednesday 6 December

Form IV Camp

Separate information has already been issued. The Sydney Grammar School permission form should have been returned and the online Somerset forms should have been completed by parents.

We look forward to a productive period as we move towards the end of the school year.

Yours sincerely,

Ms RM Fin

Assistant to the Headmaster