PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Education Week was another great success with students being acknowledged for achievements, commitment and cooperation at our Recognition Assemblies. This year we introduced the PBL awards to the student in each year group who received the most PBL merits and outstanding attendance certificates. I would like to thank all the parents and family members who could attend the assemblies during the day and hope that you can continue to attend in the future.

During Education Week this year three of our Year 11 students were selected to shadow a Director, Public Schools NSW. Georgia Mazurkiewicz shadowed Ms Kathy Powzun Acting Director Public Schools NSW, Campbelltown Network and Alex O’Flynn & Laura Killen shadowed Mr Scott Davidson Relieving Director Public Schools NSW, Macarthur Network. The students experienced a very busy schedule. First they attended the official launch of Education Week that was held at Campbelltown Performing Arts High School followed by a number of school visits and other administrative routines of the Directors.

Design Success!
On 15 August 2014 the Australian Wool4Skool Competition was finalised. Hannah Jenkins, Year 8 entered the competition as an individual and a few weeks ago she was informed that she was the Year 8 NSW State Finalist. This was fantastic news for Hannah. She is an exceptional young lady and her design was simply magnificent. On Friday 15 August 2014 Hannah received a phone call to inform her that she was the National Year 8 winner. Congratulations Hannah, your achievement is simply outstanding!

In this edition of our Parent Bulletin we wanted to focus on attendance. More and more students are taking leave during the school term/s and we wanted to emphasise the important link between school attendance and the successful achievement of learning outcomes. Mrs Lawrence in her report will focus more on this issue but we wanted to inform all our community that school attendance is compulsory for all children up to the age of seventeen. Leave from school over 5 consecutive days must be sought and approved by the principal. Applications are available from the Student Administration Office.

Upcoming Events
August 26    P&C Meeting
September 5  Dance Spectacular
September 16 Yrs7 & 8 CAPA Night
September 19 Last day of Term3
October 7    Term 4 Commences

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Camden ANZACs Our Story
On 4 August 2014, Mrs Lawrence, Mrs Martin, Mr Raeburn and I were privileged to attend the launch of the Camden ANZACs – Our Story DVD. The aim of the project was to commemorate the centenary of the commencement of WW1 and the ANZAC Day landings. Four of our students Ani Hoxha Year 12, Andrew Loomes Year 11, Deni Hoxha Year 9 and Hannah Trethewy Year 9 were involved in DVD production - interviewing War Veterans and as voice overs. This project was jointly funded by Camden Community Connections, NSW Office of Communities Veterans Affairs and Camden Council. The making of the DVD provided an opportunity for local young people to engage with those in our community that served with our armed forces, giving them an appreciation of the sacrifices that this involves. The DVD is available from our school library and it is a true testament to the war veterans who reside in Camden. If you have a chance, please borrow the DVD and I am sure you will connect with each of the veterans as they tell their stories.

DEC Drama Festival – Ultimo Group
Mrs Martin and I attended this event on Wednesday 13 August 2014. It was an excellent showcase of primary and secondary school Drama talent led and coordinated by our own Ms Dennis, compered by Dylan Maclou (Year 8) and the finale featured our Year 11 Drama students. Well done to everyone who did an exceptional job!

Year 12 and the HSC
Believe it or not this is the final Parent Bulletin before Year 12 complete their HSC studies at the end of this term. On behalf of the school I would like to wish Year 12 all the best in their preparation for the HSC examinations and also acknowledge the outstanding leadership of our captains Ani Hoxha and Todd Thurlow, and our Vice Captains Erin Middleton, Zoe Martin, Adam Taiba and James Craven. Well done and all the best!

2015 Visit to Korea
Any student interested in visiting Korea in 2015 is invited to attend a meeting along with their parent/s on Tuesday 26 August 2014, to be held in the school library, commencing promptly at 5.30pm.

Mrs Fawcett
Principal

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Natalie Martin (DP Years 7, 9 & 11)
School Chaplain
Our school Chaplain, Tanya Middleton recently resigned as she was offered a promotion position. Tanya coordinated breakfast club every Tuesday morning and ran a number of workshops for girls and boys. She will be sadly missed by many students. Aaron Williams will be replacing Tanya as our new Chaplain. He is well known by many of our students as he has been teaching scripture at Elderslie High School every Thursday this year. He is an extremely energetic and enthusiastic person who will be commencing in the role in the coming weeks. He will be working as Chaplain all day Monday and part of Tuesday each week.

Year 9
We have applied for some students to participate in an Excel work experience program. One student will undertake work experience in the local area every Wednesday for twelve weeks. This is a great opportunity for our students to experience the work force and develop some connections which may help with future employment.

Year 11
Our Year 11 Prefects have continued in the implementation of their leadership projects. Three Year 8 teams participated in a round robin of sports and Year 7 teams participated in a basketball competition. This has created a lot excitement in the junior years and it has also encouraged the development of positive relationships between senior and junior students which may not have occurred otherwise.

Our school was chosen as one of four schools in the area to implement the Teen Challenge Project. Around ten students in Year 11 and Year 10 are participating in a series of five workshops on assertiveness, risk taking, team building, communication and initiative challenges. This Project is aimed at improving student engagement and concludes with all the participants completing The Amazing Race as a whole day excursion in Sydney. This project has been provided by the Department of Education and Communities and an outside provider to support disengaged students.

Year 11 will also participate in their yearly exams which commence on 8th September. All students will need to develop a study plan and make sure they are prepared for this important assessment period.

Aboriginal Committee
On Friday 8 August, a team of four students participated in the Aboriginal Numeracy Challenge at Eagle Vale High School. They were very successful in winning their pool but were unsuccessful in retaining the competition trophy. All the students who participated had a fabulous day whilst improving their numeracy skills. UWS has offered one of our students the opportunity to be tutored every week through the Polly Farmer Foundation. This foundation aims to bridge the educational gap for Aboriginal students and promotes future entry into university studies. The committee has also successfully drafted personalised learning plans for the majority of our Aboriginal students and we are planning to invite parents to an afternoon tea
this term to consult with parents before the plans are finalised.

On Monday 11 August I attended the Narellan AECG meeting where we shared ideas from local schools about initiatives that could be implemented for NAIDOC week in 2015. We are also considering organising joint cultural excursions with Aboriginal students from Elizabeth Macarthur High School.

PBL (Positive Behaviour Learning) Team
The PBL team have been very busy recently organising PBL assemblies. Mr Burke and the Year 11 and 12 Entertainment class created a series of videos featuring ‘Tim’ (Zeke Mullins-Tait) an interesting and amusing character who does not always follow the school’s PBL expectations. During the assemblies students volunteered as contestants who answered a series of questions in regards to Tim’s behaviour. A positive outcome in the third round of the quiz was Tim’s ability to correct his previous mistakes by placing his rubbish in the bins provided, knocking on the staff room door before entering and leaving for class directly after the bell. During the assemblies our PBL Bee (James Berle) made an appearance and distributed lollies to the audience. The entire assembly was led and coordinated by students who need to be congratulated for their organisational, communication and technical skills. The assembly was followed by a PBL discussion in class. Further lessons developed by the team will be implemented once a fortnight during DEAR roll call in Term 3.

Jennifer Lawrence (DP Years 8, 10 & 12)
Year 12 News
Our Year 12 students are, of course in their final weeks of school. Having received the results back from their Trial HSC Examinations, all students should be focused on the improvement strategies that can implement between now and the HSC. We understand that fatigue has settled in but simultaneously encourage all students to concentrate firmly on their goals. There is still a lot that students can do to make a difference to their final results at this stage. If there are any students who are still clarifying their post-school destination, I would strongly suggest they make appointments with our careers staff to seek guidance.

Year 12 also have a great many exciting activities approaching including their graduation events and picnic day. Ms Woo, the Year 12 Year Adviser has contributed endless hours to the organisation of these events and I would like to thank her for these tireless efforts.

Attendance and School Success
A recent article published in the Sydney Morning Herald detailed the link between absence from school and NAPLAN success. The findings of recent research conducted by Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) suggest that an absence of as little as ten days could equate to dropping performance in NAPLAN by one band. I have included the web address for those families who wish to read the full article: http://www.smh.com.au/nsw/skipping-school-for-just-one-day-affects-naplan-results-study-finds-20140802-zjmr.html

It is important to add that while the Principal has some discretion to approve some short leave for students, an application must be made to the Student Office in advance. We would strongly discourage leave for any student in the lead up to or during an assessment period or examination week and ask families who are considering holidays to contact the school to enquire about timing at an early stage in the planning process. This is even more vital in the senior years

Uniforms
If any families have second hand uniforms that they would like to donate to the school’s uniform pool, we would be very thankful. These can be dropped off at the Student Office.

An Extension Experience
We would like to welcome home Emily McCarthy of Year 10 who has just returned from a wonderful experience at Oxford University in the UK. Emily attended history enrichment activities over a four week period and whilst at Oxford was voted Valedictorian by her group. We are immensely proud of Emily for reaching out to achieve her
dreams and look forward to reading her report on her experiences in the next Parent Bulletin.

**JAPANESE STUDENT EXCHANGE AUGUST 2014**

From 31 July to 12 August, Elderslie High School and Magdalene Catholic High School hosted 24 Japanese students from Jishukan High School in the Aichi Prefecture. For 12 days, these students were billeted by families in the local community and attended school during the week.

During this time, 12 of those Japanese students were based at Elderslie High School. They learnt English during the morning and attended classes with their school buddies in the afternoon. To broaden their Australian school experience, they were encouraged to participate in whole school activities such as Wednesday sport and assembly; and also made visits to the Ag Plot, library and Trade Training Centre.

Without the cooperation of the whole school, these 12 Japanese students would not have made as many friends and taken back lasting memories of their time in Australia. A special mention to the Elderslie High School buddies: Kirsty Isaacs, Kyle Faulkner and Brianna Smith of Year 7; Grace Gattellari, Maika Tan and Lachlan Willingham of Year 8; Lillian Cumerlato, Chantelle Dunk, Kelsey Humphries, Courtney Brown and Andrew Gardner of Year 9; and Michael Stapleton of Year 10. Also a big thank you to the Haggerty and Isaacs families for billeting a Japanese student during their stay.

**Mr Tan**

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**LANGUAGE PERFECT WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS 2014**

On the 19 -29 May, students of Year 8 Japanese participated in the Language Perfect World Championships. This competition tested their ability to recall foreign language vocabulary and grammar through a series of quizzes. By competing with other schools around the world, our students performed quite well for our first participation – 10th in NSW for the 1-50 students category and 23rd in Japanese in the 1-50 students category.

The following students achieved awards for their work:

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A great result to these students. Well done!

**Mr Tan**

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**LEADERSHIP DAY AT PARLIAMENT HOUSE**

Last term on Wednesday June the 18, Todd Thurlow and I were invited to attend a Leadership Day for school captains. It was held at NSW Parliament and Government House. The day began with a talk and brief Q&A session with several parliamentary officials – ministers, representatives from different parties and even administrative personnel. Our local member for parliament, Chris Patterson, gave us a quick tour of Parliament House where we got a glimpse into the Premier’s office and the breathtaking views of the Harbour from the offices of other lucky MPs. We were then split into groups and had the opportunity to witness sittings of both the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council, where the debates got quite heated at times! I found the Legislative Council to be particularly fascinating as they voted on a bill concerning police powers in NSW, which is something I have been studying in Legal Studies.
recently as part of the crime component of the course. It was really interesting to see a fraction of the legislative process.

After a quick lunch we walked as a group to Government House, where we were given a tour of the beautifully decorated rooms and gardens. After some light refreshments we gathered in a room where the NSW Governor, Her Excellency Marie Bashir, addressed us on her many contributions and achievements. She spoke of how she ascended to the position of NSW Governor and her professional life in medicine prior to that. With some very inspiring stories she then handed over to the audience of students where we were given a chance to ask questions. We then had an opportunity to take a picture with Her Excellency, before making our way back home. We had a wonderful and enlightening day, where we not only learnt more about the operation of government but made many new friends from different schools across NSW.

Ani Hoxha
2014 School Captain

WELFARE
Recently Elderslie High School had a visit from the nurses for catch-up vaccinations. The next scheduled visits 20 November. At this time, both Year 9 boys as well as all Year 7 students will be provided with HPV vaccinations. Year 7 students only will receive Varicella vaccinations at the same time. All students need to ensure that they have a good breakfast and have plenty of water to drink.

LEARNING SUPPORT
Our Learning Support Teachers and Officers continue to support students in classes across the school. Their timetables are revised on a five week cycle to enable them to work more effectively in classrooms across the curriculum.

Year 11 students have recently submitted applications for Disability Provisions for their upcoming Yearly exams. The criteria for EHS Disability Provisions for these examinations are based on the BOS HSC examination guidelines. Applications are now available for disability provisions for students in Years 8-10 for their yearly exams from the Learning Support Staffroom. These provisions vary and are outlined on the application form. Completed applications for Years 8 – 10 must be returned by Week 1, Term 4.

Mrs Skaroupka
Head Teacher Welfare/Careers Adviser

FROM YEAR 12 YEAR ADVISER
Having just completed Trial HSC Examinations, Year 12’s can be proud of their achievements. Many have reaped the rewards of their hard work and persistence to master course content or to become skilled artisans in their chosen fields. I have to congratulate the many talented dance, drama and musical performers who provided a wonderful showcase of high quality acts and pieces on

CAREERS
Year 12 have recently received their UAC books. Students need to ensure that they place their names in these books as their replacement cost is $20. The UAC book is an excellent source of information for students and their parents about the different universities and the courses they offer. The UAC book also includes the ATAR cut offs for the previous year so applicants have an approximate idea of the cut-offs expected for each course. The UAC books have important deadlines for applications to universities which should be placed on the calendar at home to ensure no vital dates are missed.
their final CAPA night at Elderslie and to all the crafty textiles and timber students who have produced amazing pieces of work. I couldn’t be any more proud of your progression.

Year 12 are now at the tail end of a very long and exciting 13 year journey of education. Reports will soon be sent home and the advice and feedback from their teachers is a timely reminder that we are not just quite at the finish line. In fact it is now time to make a serious study program of revision within the next two months as October and the start of HSC is really not that far away. Naturally, stress levels tend to escalate. Laura Killen (below), a Year 11 student had decided to do something to help alleviate stress. Her “Max Potential” project was to focus on leadership and community values. She chose to assist Year 12’s and produced 120 “Study Hard–Stress Less” bags. Her goodies bag came with healthy multi vitamins, a handmade stress ball, skin care samples, a gym voucher, peppermint tea and pamphlets advice on driving, staying calm and saying no to drugs. Thank you Laura from Yr 12, they appreciate the time that went into producing the bags over your July holiday break.

Motivation is a force that drives you to do things. It pushes us to achieve our goals and makes us feel more fulfilled. Yr 12 don’t lose your MOJO! Here are some Top Motivational Quotes:

1. “If you can dream it, you can do it” Walt Disney
2. “Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today” Malcolm X
4. “Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire” William Butler Yeats
5. “Set your goals high, and don’t stop till you get there” Bo Jackson
6. “Dream and give yourself permission to envision a You that you choose to be” J Page
7. “Begin to be now what you will be hereafter” William James
8. “Education is the key to unlock the golden door of freedom” George Washington Carver
9. “Be a yardstick of quality. Some people aren’t used to an environment where excellence is expected” Steve Jobs
10. “Even if you fall on your face, you’re still moving Forward” Victor Kiam

Prior Preparation Prevents Poor Performance
Good luck Year 12 in the upcoming HSC

Key Year 12 Events
It is important to check DEC student email accounts every day. Important information from various institutions has been emailed by the Careers Adviser, Mrs Skaroupka. Some students have begun to enroll into UAC and started early entry into various universities.

Graduation of laptops is occurring and our computer technical officer, Mr Quinlan (Thurs & Fri) has provided a note about this process where students will have their laptops unlocked and access to free software that they will be able to use anywhere after graduation.

Thank you to parents who have started to finalise fees and payments.

- Year 12 Graduation Supper. Camden Civic Centre (18 Sept) payment due- 12 September, maximum of 2 guests and the graduate at $15/head. So, if 3 attending the cost will be $45
- Yearbook payment is due- 12 September
- Jamberoo Picnic Day (19 Sept) note and payment is due
- Formal Dinner (18 Nov) is a two part payment: Deposit due- 12 September and Final Payment by 7 November. Alternately, full payment is accepted.
- Year 12 Clearance process completed prior or by Friday 7 November. Formal Ticket & Yearbook (if returned from printers) will be issued.

I look forward to the many events we have organised.

J.Woo (Yr 12 Adviser)
**AGRICULTURE NEWS**

Our amazing crop of tomatoes, produced by students on the school farm this year, has now come to an end. Many classes enjoyed making some of the last of these tomatoes into soup in our new soup makers – a great lunch on some of the cold days. I’ve had reports that several students have repeated the recipe with some of the tomatoes they took home – it’s always encouraging to learn that students are sharing with their families some of the events of their day.

Year 12 are finishing their last units of work and busily preparing for the HSC. It will be sad to say goodbye to this group of students, many of whom have been fantastic supporters of our extra-curricular events over the years. We wish them well in their examinations and in their chosen career paths.

We had an enjoyable morning out with Year 11 while they completed their Farm Case Study and they are currently monitoring the growth rate of our young pigs. The year has gone so quickly for them and they have worked cooperatively with the Year 12 students throughout this time. We are looking forward to a busy Term 4 with them as they start their HSC course.

Year 10 students are working on their individual projects, many involving the wide range of livestock that we have on the farm.

Year 9 are studying a unit on pigs and have just presented some very original and informative posters promoting sections of the Livestock Code of Practice Guidelines. They are becoming experts at restraining and weighing the pigs and have been amazed by their rapid weight gain.

Year 8 students have been busy looking at some animal welfare issues and preparing for Penrith Show, which is at the end of Week 7. At this event we create a display featuring an Agricultural enterprise – this year we have chosen Dairying. We will also show our “Prison Calf”, Ned. These calves are donated by Emu Plains Correctional Facility to each of the schools competing. We will also be entering 5 other animals and some of our students will be competing in livestock parading competitions and Junior Judging of poultry. A senior team will compete in the Rural Olympics.

We have recently purchased two alpacas, Duchess and Biscuit. One of these should be giving birth to a young ‘cria’ in December, the other next May. Whilst they are still a little timid, they are gradually being tamed with some gentle handling from students.

**Animal Nursery News**

Thanks to the students who have braved the icy mornings to attend our Animal Nurseries at Cobbitty Markets and Carrington Fair. Both of these events were extremely busy and, once again, I was repeatedly told, by parents of our young visitors, how polite our students were and how well they interacted with their children. They really are fantastic ambassadors for our school – Well done Liam Callaghan, Theveen Chinnathumby, Olivia De La Mare, Callum Gowing, Matthew Guthrie, Hannah Jenkins, Alicia Kiggins, Nancy Haggerty, Tom Melluish, Serena Proctor-Jones, Jasmine Underwood and Indyana Verter.

*M. Atkinson*

**CAMDEN ANZACS**

In this centenary year of the start of World War One, four Elderslie High School students played a key role in recording and publishing the unique stories of six Australian veterans from the Camden area, who have each participated in various conflicts for their country or served in the Army Reserve.

The four students, Ani Hoxha, Andrew Loomes, Hannah Trethewy and Deni Hoxha represented a new generation of Camden residents who interviewed those that have gone before them in terms of their wartime experiences.

This project was supported by Camden Community Connections, the Office of Veteran’s Affairs, the NSW Government and Camden Council.

Our students, along with others from the local area, each interviewed a particular veteran and sought details about their wartime and military experiences. The veterans included two from World War Two, as well as those who had fought in Korea, Vietnam and Afghanistan.

Our students did an amazing job, showing great maturity and commitment in terms of the task they needed to carry out. Their questions were perceptive and thoughtful, and they showed great s and awareness when framing the enquiries they made to the veterans. The Elderslie students also showed great empathy with the veterans, clearly demonstrating their knowledge and understanding of historical issues.

The interviews were recorded and a DVD has been produced as a result. The launch of the DVD was held at Camden Civic Centre on Monday 4 August. Many special guests attended, including the veterans and their families, politicians both state and local, the RSL, educational leaders and the very proud Elderslie High School students and their family members.

The launch was a great success, and included a premiere of the DVD, which was wonderfully done and engrossing!
Congratulations to Ani, Andrew, Hannah and Deni for representing the school, their families and the local community so brilliantly!!!!

Mr M Raeburn, Head Teacher History

**SPORTS REPORTS**

**ZONE Athletics**

The SSW Area Athletics carnival was held on the 21 and 22 of July. Some individual performances of note at the CHS Carnival were:

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**Other Sporting News**

**U14 Girls Futsal**

Elderslie High competed in the U14 Girls State Carnival held at Penrith Sports Stadium in Week 3. All 9 girls contested the day with great enthusiasm and were complimented frequently on their determination and fair play throughout the pool matches.

**Their results were as followed:**

1-2 vs. Wollongong High School
3-1 vs. Stella Maris Manly
1-3 vs. Endeavour Sports High
0-1 vs. Mereweather High School

The girls unfortunately were unable to advance through to quarter finals but I congratulate them on their terrific effort displayed throughout the carnival. Well done.

**U15 Boys Basketball**

Our U15 Boys team faced Elizabeth Macarthur High School in the first round of the State Knockout in Week 4 at Elderslie. Our boys have been training well and have strong aspirations of advancing well into this tournament. Elderslie High were comprehensive victors in this match 65-16 and I would like to thank the entire school for their support and encouragement to the team during the final stages of the game. Good luck to these fine gentlemen in their upcoming games.

**CHS Gymnastics**

Mitchell Dawson participated in the CHS tournament and was very successful. His results are as follows:

1st Pommel Horse
1st Parallel Bars
1st Floor
2nd Rings
2nd Vault
3rd High Bar
And 2nd Overall!!! Well done Mitchell!!

Adelle Mitchell – Yr 9, participated in the CHS Rhythmic Gymnastics Competition, Level 6 Division C. Her placings were as follows:

2nd Rope
2nd Hoop
2nd Ribbon
And 2nd Overall!!! Well done Adelle!

SSW Rhythmic Team won 1st place overall.
NSW CHS Tri Series Girls Hockey Championships

Congratulations to Alley Hanagan who represented the NSW CHS team in the Tri Series Girls Hockey Championships at Homebush on the 16 June. She was acknowledged for her outstanding behaviour during the tournament.

Note to Parents/Carers: Elderslie High School has a long tradition of students achieving sporting prowess, either through school or outside activities. As you can imagine, keeping track of every talented student’s achievements is a large undertaking and invariable some achievements are not realised or recognised. If your son or daughter achieves any sporting accolades of note could you please inform the PDHPE department in writing or by email so that your child can be recognised and congratulated in future Parent Bulletins, and considered for sports awards at the end of the school year.

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PUBLIC SPEAKING UPDATE 2014

Congratulations to Hannah Trethewy from Year 9 for winning the Regional Final of the The Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award on Thursday, 14 August, 2014 at The Arts Unit. Hannah now moves through to the State Semi Final at Parliament House on Friday, 12th September, 2014.

Congratulations to Andrew Loomes from Year 11 on his fantastic effort in the Final of the Quota Club Student of the Year event held at Batemans Bay on Saturday, 16 August, 2014.

Congratulations to Dylan Maclou from Year 8 on his selection to compere the Showcase evening of the Drama Festival, Public Schools NSW, 2014. Dylan did an amazing job representing Elderslie High School and Public Schools NSW on the evening.

Ms Dennis

DEBATING UPDATE

The Year 10 Debating team consisting of Tayler Buckley, Emily Morgan, Mara Aplin and Janaye Farrell won their zone and then went on to win the Inter-Zone Final against Elizabeth Macarthur High School. Good luck in the Regional Quarter Final against Hurlstone Agricultural High School.

The Year 8 Debating Team consisting of Dylan Maclou, Anneliese Munro, Lachlan Willingham, Merralisa Wintzloff and Jasmine Cardona defeated Airds High School in Round 1 and Robert Townson High School in Round 2. The Year 7 Debating team consisting of Serena Chowna, Georgia Cunnion, Nancy Haggerty, Alyssa Heyward, Alex Lees, Thomas Melluish, Morgan-Jo Reid, Makenzie Skinner and Teneisha May will complete their Round 1 and 2 debates in the next two weeks. They will then need to compete against each other to decide who will win the zone. Stay tuned for the outcome of the Round 3 Debate!

Best of luck to all of our teams in the coming weeks!!

Ms Dennis

MOCK TRIAL UPDATES

Congratulations to the Mock Trial team on moving through to the Elimination Rounds in 2014. The team members are Lachlan Macdonald, Alexander O’Flynn, Andrew Loomes, Stella Kowalick, Brooke Murray, Ashleigh Olliffe, Samantha Burgin, Bridget Peters from Year 11 and Tayler Buckley, Mara Aplin, Emily Morgan, Brittany Stoker and Emily McCarthy from Year 10. Unfortunately, the team was narrowly defeated in the First Elimination round by Hurlstone Agricultural High School. Well done to all on a fantastic year!

Ms Dennis

CAPA UPDATE

The next CAPA Evening will be Year 7 & 8 on Tuesday, 16th September, 2014. Please come along and support the Music, Drama and Visual Arts classes, as well as the Dance Ensemble and Junior Drama Ensemble.

The Dance Photo Day was on Wednesday, 31 July, 2013 and all of the dancers who participated had a great time having their photo taken for this year’s calendar.

On Saturday, 26 July, 2014 the Dance Ensemble and Dance Company performed in the Sydney Eisteddfod at the Science Theatre, University of NSW. Congratulations to all the students who represented Elderslie High School on the day.

The Dance Transition Program with Mawarra and Elderslie Public Schools is in full swing, with all of our rehearsals complete we are nearly ready to present our fun routine at Dance Spectacular and the Dance Blitz Eisteddfod.
The Year 9 & 10 Dance Elective classes, Dance Company, Dance Ensemble, Dance Transition Ensemble and Ballroom Dance Ensemble will be competing at the Dance Blitz Eisteddfod on Sunday, 24 August, 2014 at Ambarvale High School. Permission Notes must be returned to the box in the Studio by Friday, 22 August, 2014.

Elderslie High School’s Dance Spectacular will be held on Friday, 5 September, 2014 in the School Hall from 7.00 pm. Tickets will be on sale at the door. $5.00 for all! Our Feeder Primary Schools will be invited to see the show during Period 3 on that day and the whole school will be invited to attend during Period 4. This is an event not to miss!

Congratulations to the HSC Dance students on surviving their Practical Examinations on the 5 and 6 August, 2014. Well done to all the students involved.

Congratulations to the HSC Drama students on surviving their Practical Examinations on the 18th August, 2014. Well done to all of the students involved.

HSC Music Practical Examinations will be held at the Camden Uniting Church, John Street Camden on Monday 1 September. A rehearsal for all HSC Music students and their accompanists will be held the Monday prior, 25 August, also at the Camden Uniting Church to help polish performances and presentations.

Congratulations to the Year 11 Drama class on their amazing performance of their play built piece What Does A Woman Want? at the Drama Festival, Public Schools NSW 2014. They were successful in gaining selection for the Festival which was held at the Parade Theatres, NIDA on the 13 August, 2014. Congratulations to Nicholas Palmer from Year 12 on his selection as part of the VET crew at the event.

The Year 10 & 11 Drama students attended a performance of Tartuffe on Tuesday, 5 August 2014 at the Sydney Opera House. Everyone had a fantastic time and really enjoyed the show.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the parents who assist with aspects of the performing arts, without your help the students would not achieve such excellent results or experience as many fantastic opportunities. So during 2014, come along and enjoy the performances of our talented CAPA students.

CAPA Faculty

GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM

Tournament of the Minds is up and going for 2014 and the three teams from Elderslie High School have until Saturday, 23 August, 2014 to complete their challenges. Thank you to the students for giving up their time at lunchtimes and after school to prepare for the event. All three teams will present at the Regional Final at the University of Western Sydney Milperra Campus on Saturday, 23 August. Good luck to all of our teams! Thank you to Ms Lysaught for mentoring the teams in 2014.

Stay tuned for more exciting things happening for the Gifted and Talented students at Elderslie High School.
Students have the opportunity to experience a foreign culture in the inaugural Macarthur Schools Korea Tour, coordinated by Elderslie High School. Held in the April 2015 school holidays, students will spend approximately 12 days in South Korea, including 2 days at Chungnam Performing Arts High School.

An information evening will be held on Tuesday 26th August 2014 at 5.30pm in the Elderslie High School library. See you there.
**PROPOSED CALENDAR -**
More detailed Calendar events can be found on our school website

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**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS**

| 1A | 6 October Labour Day Public Holiday | 7 October Day 1 Term 4 All student return | 8 October | 9 October Official Opening of Macarthur Trade Training Centre | 10 October |
| 2B | 13 October HSC COMMENCES | 14 October Year 10 CAPA Night 7pm | 15 October Surf Camp | 16 October Surf Camp | 17 October Surf Camp |
| 3A | 20 October P & C Meeting 7pm in Library | 21 October | 22 October | 23 October | 24 October |

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