PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
CONSULTATION IS AN INTEGRAL PART OF OUR DECISION MAKING AND EXPLORING NEW IDEAS

If you have had a chance to read our 2015-2017 school plan (located on our school website) you would have noticed that in Strategic Direction 3 we have a process entitled: “Focus on Innovation”. As an educational institution it is important for our school community to research different education practices and ideas that challenge our thinking so that we are always on the cusp of what may enhance student wellbeing and learning outcomes at our school.

"Continuity gives us roots; change gives us branches, letting us stretch and grow and reach new heights".
Pauline R. Kezer

The current research on 3+3 Stage 6 curriculum structure is one example. We are in the initial stage of gathering information and the more information we have the closer we get to making our own decision. Most people make decisions without gathering information to back them up. The problem is most people aren’t patient enough to put in the effort. This is not the case for Elderslie High School and the 3+3 model. We will be patient ensuring we seek input from all stakeholders and consider the consequences or risks thoroughly. Our community will be informed at all stages.

"Continuously learning and improving is the only way to grow. Continuous learning helps fully develop natural abilities, and creates a curious innovative mind".
Dr Anil Kr Sinha

SKOOLBAG APP
As part of our commitment to improving communication between school and home, we are launching our Skoolbag App this week. The facility allows parents to keep abreast of what is happening at the school and will receive alerts in relation to a number of events or publications distributed to students. Instructions on how to download the app on your iPhone or android devices are on page 10. Please keep us informed of any ideas you may have to improve what we send on the app.

SAVE THE LEAVE PASSES FOR WHEN LEAVE IS VERY IMPORTANT
Since the changes to DEC Student Attendance Policy commenced at the beginning of this year, more and more parents and families are becoming aware that previous reasons for leave are no longer acceptable. This information was part of an earlier Parent Bulletin published March 2015.

What we are now experiencing is that there has been little change in the number of requests for leave to attend appointments. We expect that leave passes are for the best of reasons. Please ensure you expect your child to attend school 100% of the time and that a leave pass is for very important reasons.

WHY NOT ATTEND AND SUPPORT OUR TALENTED STUDENTS?
This year the school musical “South Pacific” will be in the last week of this term. The musical involves many students (actors, dancers, singers, orchestra, back stage crew) and I know that they appreciate having a large audience when they are performing. So if you can spare the time, I know you will have a good time. The P&C will be serving refreshments before each performance and during intermission.

M. Fawcett, Principal

Upcoming Events

2 June  P & C Meeting
10 June  Selection Night
11 June  SSW Cross County
15-16 June  Zone Athletics
18 June  Modern History Excursion
22 June  Parent Teacher Night
25-27 June  Musical Evening
14 July  Student’s Return
17 July  CHS Cross Country
27 July  Education Week
28 July  P & C Meeting
30-31 July  7-11 Recognition Assemblies

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DEPUTY PRINCIPALS’ REPORT
Jennifer Lawrence (DP Years 7,9 & 11)

NAPLAN –Years 7 & 9

It was with a sigh of relief that our Year 7 and 9 students completed all five NAPLAN assessments in week 4. The National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy examined the basic skills of students in reading, writing, language conventions (grammar and spelling) as well as numeracy (calculator and non-calculator). While there were some nervous students, I am very pleased to report that Elderslie High School students applied themselves as best they could, doing us proud with both their efforts and their behaviour. We expect the personalised reports to arrive back at school by September and will distribute these to families as soon as we can thereafter. NAPLAN assessment reports will help parents to compare their child’s performance relative to the Australian national average as well as the average performance of their school year group. As a staff, we also use this vital data in helping us make changes to our teaching programs to suit the needs of individual students as well as whole year groups.

Anzac Day in Camden

On 25 April, I attended the local Camden Anzac Day festivities to commemorate the centenary of the Gallipoli landing. The dawn service at Equestrian Park was attended by the Year 12 captaincy team who braved the early morning and enormous crowds to represent the school. It was also wonderful to see twenty five of our students attend the annual Anzac Day march along Argyle St, marching with pride behind the school banner. The names of those who attended are listed below. At the 11am local service, our students laid the school wreath and Alyssa Heyward, Year 8 was asked to read the 11am local service, our students laid the school wreath and Alyssa Heyward, Year 8 was asked to read her poetry which was awarded a Highly Commended Prize by the RSL and Camden Council. It was an honour and privilege to be able to accompany our students at both of these occasions.

Mara Aplin
Emily Burden
Serena Chowna
Georgia Cunninon
Mitchell Dawson
Chantelle Dunk
Braedan Dunn
Jordan Freeman
Ethan Keighran
Alexandra Lees
Sophie Lindsay
Lachlan Macdonald
Courtney Martin
Emily McCarthy
Ryan Mills
Emily Morgan
Liam Nicholson
Alexander O’Flynn
Mai O’Regan
Amy Richardson
Michael Stapleton
Rebecca Stiff
Thomas Stiff
Brittany Stoker
Brenden Troy

Launching of Common Writing Platform

Mrs Fawcett has already mentioned in her article the new school plan that the school community has recently launched. One of the centrepieces of this plan is the development and launch of a common writing platform or strategy. There are excellent examples of writing strategies that already exist within the school and staff have been using these for quite some time. The beauty of this new approach however is for all staff to use the same strategy irrespective of the subject the student is studying. We believe the development of an approach which is consistent across the entire school will make a real difference to students. To date, we have begun trialling the new writing platform in four Stage 4 classes (Year 7 and 8) and it is envisaged that by the end of 2016, all Stage 4 classes in all subject areas will be using it. Student feedback so far has been very positive and we are collecting data to help us measure its impact.

Asthma Care Plans

Recently our Learning Support Staff have been updating our Health Care Plans for students with asthma. If your child is a sufferer, it is essential that we have the most recent plan from the doctor. This should be updated annually. Please assist us to provide the best standard of care that we can for your child.

Natalie Martin (DP Years 8,10 &12)

Year 8 into 9 and Year 10 into 11 Subject Selections

It is that time of year when students in Year 8 and Year 10 will be selecting subjects for 2016. Year 8 students will need to choose two elective subjects and Year 10 students will need to choose all of their subjects for 2016. Students will need to do this online and all selections need to be completed by 22 June this year.

We will not be holding an information evening for Year 8 this year. Instead we will have a presentation to students in the hall from most Head Teachers who will be informing students about their subjects. All students will be issued with a subject selection booklet which will have information about each course being offered as well as how to select their choices online. Parents are advised to sit down with their child to provide guidance and support in making an appropriate choice that meets their child’s needs. Parents are encouraged to ring the school and speak to the faculty Head Teacher if they need assistance with this elective process. Please ensure that you read through the booklet before your child makes their selection.

Year 10 students and their parents are invited to attend a subject selection evening on 10 June at 6.30pm. It is expected that all students attend this very important evening which will begin with an information session regarding HSC requirements followed by an interactive opportunity for parents to speak with representatives from every faculty, a Senior Pathways Adviser, a Careers Adviser and Business Partners regarding their child’s elective choices. Year 10 students will also be issued with a subject selection booklet which will have information...
about every course and how to complete the online selection process. This year students will complete the process twice, the first time will determine the line structure and the second time will be their final choice for 2016. Students will not be issued with the booklet before the evening of the 10 June so it is expected that all students with their parents be present on the night.

Parent Teacher Night
Parent Teacher Night for Years 7-12 will be on 22 June from 4.00pm until 8.30pm. Parents will need to make their bookings online, and bookings will be open for three weeks beforehand. Further information about how to book interviews online will be distributed to students in the next couple of weeks and further information will also be placed on the school website.

School reports for Years 7-11 will be issued in Education Week, the week before parent teacher night. Parent teacher night is an opportunity for parents to meet their child’s teacher face to face and gain important feedback about their child’s progress in every subject. This is a very important evening for the school community so it is expected that all parents attend. Many issues can be expressed and dealt with through the communication that occurs between parents and children on these nights.

PBL (Positive Behaviour Learning) Signs
New PBL signs have been installed in the playground this week. These signs explain the behaviour expectations of the various playground areas in the school. The aim of the sign installation is to remind students of what the behaviour expectations are and to assist teachers in prompting and eliciting positive behaviours from our students at all times. The signs provide a reminder of what we expect students to do in each area and it reduces the possibility of conflict between differences in understanding of expected behaviours between students and staff.

STUDY SKILLS
It’s All About Attitude
When students start secondary school, they are usually very positive and optimistic about school. Then things can start to get harder, a bit more challenging, maybe they get a bad mark and become discouraged, or maybe their friends start to influence their attitude. Some students are able to overcome these challenges, while others let it affect their attitude and application to school.

Take the time to determine reasons to put in effort into your schoolwork. Think about which of the following reasons might be motivating for you:

- To achieve the best mark you are capable of at school.
- To give you lots of options for what subjects you can choose in the senior years.
- To give you lots of options for what you can choose to do when you leave school.
- To have a personal sense of satisfaction about doing your best.
- To show your gratitude to your parents for giving you an education.
- To avoid getting in trouble from your teachers.
- To avoid getting in trouble from your parents.
- To avoid getting a detention or other negative consequences from not working.
- To avoid disappointing your parents.
- So you don’t feel bad about wasting your parents’ time and money giving you an education.

Some students are motivated by working towards rewards, positive consequences of doing the right thing, while others are motivated to avoid negative consequences. Which do you think you are?

Understanding what motivates you and what affects your attitude can make it easier for you to make positive changes.

Learn more this year about how to motivate yourself and deal with distractions and procrastination by working through the units on www.studyskillshandbook.com.au.

Our school’s access details are:
Username: elderslieds
Password: 128results
Visit the THINGS TO PRINT page to download the latest HELP guide: MASTERING MIDDLE SCHOOL.

From the Office
Student Details Update and Schedule of Payments
Updating and maintaining current information of individual student details and confirmation of “permission to publish” is an annual requirement placed on all schools by the Department of Education and Communities.

The importance of accurate information is essential for meeting the health and welfare needs of our students, particularly in situations where parents need to be contacted.

Student Details Update form and where applicable Schedule of Payment notices have recently been mailed to all families. It is extremely important the “Student Details Update” form is completed and returned for every student, even if details have not changed. If there are any problems with the schedule of payments/invoices eg, incorrect elective courses, then please contact the student administration office as soon
as possible so that the necessary amendment/s can be made and a correct invoice issued.

If parents have difficulty paying the whole amount, partial payments can be made. Where difficulties exist, please provide a letter briefly outlining the circumstances, marked “Private and Confidential”, to Mrs Fawcett (Principal). In some circumstances we may be able to provide access to the Student Assistance Scheme.

Careers News

Term 2 Events

Over one hundred Year 10 and Year 12 students have signed up to attend the Macarthur Careers Expo (MACE), at Minto on the 10 June, 2015. This event covers tertiary studies providers, employers, apprenticeship groups and the Defence Forces. It is organised by the region’s Careers Advisors. Over 100 different stalls are set up and students have the chance to discuss their own interests with well-informed staff.

On Wednesday 10 June, the Year 10 will be having their Subject Selection for Year 11 Night where parents and students can find out about all of their options for the senior years.

Macarthur Workplace Learning staff will be available for career pathway interviews from the June 1 until June 12 for Year 10 students at the school. Book your interview now by registering on the sheet near the student office.

Two students attended the Nova Employment Transition to Work Taster Day on 20 May to supplement their career pathways.

SWSi TAFE Information Day has been held and all of the up to date 2016 information is now available from the Careers Office.

Year 12 participated in a Career Aspirations and HSC Information Day incursion. Universities, private providers, apprenticeship employers, gap year organisations attended. Pathways for ATAR students as well as Non ATAR students were discussed on the day.

JOBJUMP

www.jobjump.com.au. Username is Elderslie High School and password is hedgehog. The website now has added over 1,200 careers all categorised. This is in addition to the 110 featured careers that are featured on JobJump. It is super quick to find, dead easy to use and very comprehensive. Give it a go and find an new exciting career.

General News

The universities are now beginning to send out information about 2016 courses, open days, scholarships and Early Entry requirements. Keep up to date by checking your emails and the noticeboards in the Careers Area.

Get involved with your life.

Heather Rouen, Careers Advisor

HISTORY

Senior History Europe Trip 2015

Buongiorno !!

In April this year Ancient and Modern history students had the opportunity to travel to Europe to see some historic sights. We all met at the airport, so excited to begin our European adventure and a little bit anxious as well. Many selfies, snapchats and tears later we were finally on the plane. After our 24 hour flight with a 4 hour stopover in Dubai we finally landed in Rome!! We bussed down to Vico Equense on the Amalfi Coast. We arrived at our hotel quite late and everyone was so tired and jet lagged that we were all happy to crash as soon as we could.

On our first morning at Vico Equense we went off to Pompeii and were lucky enough to be accompanied by Dr Estelle Lazer, a prominent archaeologist. Pompeii was amazing. We saw the remains of what once had been a flourishing city, wiped out by a terrible disaster, the eruption of Mt Vesuvius. We walked the same streets that people had walked hundreds of years earlier, and it was quite a humbling experience. We saw the famous plaster casts of people who were killed in the eruption, and that was when the full scale of such a disaster hit all of us. The next morning we headed to Herculaneum, another place caught by Vesuvius’s eruption. It was smaller than Pompeii but still equally as fascinating as a lot of the buildings were intact. After Herculaneum we headed to the National Archaeological Museum in Naples. There we saw hundreds of artworks and artefacts from ancient times. From the museum we headed to Villa Oplontis, a magnificently preserved Villa with frescoes and mosaics. The next morning we boarded a high speed jetcat to Capri, an island off the coast. We were lucky enough to have an amazing view over the ocean. We spent a few hours shopping before heading backing to Sorrento. The next day we were off to Rome!!
Rome was incredible! It was such a surreal experience to visit the places we all had only dreamed about and learnt about from textbooks. Shortly after our arrival we went exploring in the magnificent city. We lined up for half an hour just to catch a close up glimpse of the Trevi Fountain which was unfortunately covered in scaffolding (but still so beautiful). Our visit to the Vatican was amazing, getting to see how deeply religious the Italians are. We never realized how big the Vatican really was until nine people got lost on the tour, eventually catching up with our group in the heart of St Peter’s Square. Visiting the historic Colosseum and the Forum was yet again incredible. The history that was there made all of our heads spin just by thinking about it. We all loved Rome so much and we could all safely agree that we are DEFINITELY going back not only for the sightseeing but for the amazing food!

Arrivederci Italia!! Bonjour Belgium!!

We left early to catch the plane to Belgium. We arrived in Ypres and had free time to explore and shop (for Belgian chocolate of course) in the town centre. On day 10 of our European adventure we had a full day of sightseeing, the Ypres battlefields, Hill 60, Caterpillar Crater and Polygon Wood from World War 1. That day was mentally and emotionally exhausting for all of us. It was confronting to see how many soldiers had made the ultimate sacrifice. We all attended the ‘Last Post’ ceremony at Menin Gate where we placed a wreath to pay our respects. The next day we had a full day touring the Somme Valley Battle Fields.

For the final leg of our trip we arrived in Paris. We were immediately blown away by the spectacular scenery, particularly that of the Eiffel Tower. Day 1 in Paris we hiked to the top of the Eiffel Tower and the view was breath taking!! This was followed by a beautiful cruise up the Seine River. Our final days of the tour included plenty of shopping, wonderful French food (snails of course) and lots of sightseeing which included The Arc d’Triomophe the Louvre and Versailles Palace, finishing with our last dinner along the iconic Champs Elysees. The city of Paris was the perfect way to end our trip. It was an amazing and beautiful city with truly memorable sights. Paris really was the pinnacle of our trip.

Au Revoir Paris!! We are all sure that we will be back. It is safe to say we all had an amazing trip and have made many memories that will last forever.

Our trip was such an enjoyable success thanks to the commitment and organization of our teachers, Miss Lysaught, Mr Raeburn and Mrs White.

A thoroughly wonderful experience!
By Mai O’Regan, Jordan Freeman, Cameron Speed and Liam Nicholson.

Yr Y11 Ancient History Excursion to the Nicholson Museum – Sydney University

On the 19 and 20 of March, Year 11 Ancient History students had the opportunity to visit to the Nicholson Museum at Sydney University. During the two days students were able to have a close look at artefacts such as two mummified bodies, one showing an X-ray of his mouth abscess showing us how he died. We also saw a famous Lego piece of Pompeii that showed the town, the streets and the lifestyle they all lived. Pots, mummified crocodiles, statues and paintings were presented in the museum, all giving historical information on a certain country and the lifestyle people once lived. All of the ancient artefacts told us stories about that period of time.

One of the highlights of the day was when all the students went down to a special room where we were able to handle some ancient artefacts and have a closer look at them, each group having the chance to become an archaeologist for the day and carefully hold and investigate the artefacts. Some objects the class looked at were jewellery, pots and probably the best objects we got to handle were the canopic jars.
Overall we all had an amazing day. This excursion gave the Ancient History students a clearer insight into the past through physical objects, the meaning they contained and where they came from.

by Georgia Burnett and Courtney Martin

Social Science
Social Science Photography Competition
The Social Science Faculty would like to thank all those students who entered the photography competition in Term 1. There were some great photos of students in our local area being active citizens and photos of wonderful places in our country and abroad. We wish to congratulate Alicia Down of Year 11 for her winning photo of Hawaii and the runner up, Jacob De Fillipis of Year 10, for his jetty photo. Alicia received two movie tickets and Jacob one movie ticket for their entry. If you have a photo that you would like to enter into the competition, please access Team Social Science on Instagram using the hash tag ‘#TSS2K15’.

What a day out!!! The Year 9 Commerce class had an opportunity to put their knowledge of consumer choice into action at the Royal Easter Show. Students completed activities in budgeting, research, spending and ways to record expenditure. The students were outstanding and represented our faculty and school with pride.

Miss Cavalieri.

LIBRARY NEWS
Things are changing in the library. A survey form will be available soon for students, staff, parents and carers to have a chance to make comments on a restructure of the library’s physical spaces. We hope to open the library up so there are more and varied places for study and quiet interaction.

We have ordered the books that have been shortlisted for Book Week in August, along with a lot of new fiction, magazines like 4WD, and non-fiction books. These are all available for loan. We hope parents and carers can encourage their student to read for pleasure, as research proves a direct link between reading, and progress in literacy skills and study skills. In an age in which students are reading short phone texts as their primary reading material, reading of longer texts for pleasure needs to be promoted even more strenuously.

We remind students and parents that we are here to help with research tasks. Many students have arranged loans through our library, from other libraries and the State Library, to help with their assignments. This service is open to all. We also help with printing and presentation of assignments. Students can buy a $2 printing card and use this whenever they need to print. We also help students organise their assignments, helping with note-taking and essay writing amongst other things. Please encourage your child to ask for help!

The school has purchased Clickview, a collection of videos tailored for student use. Your child was sent an email asking them to set a password for this program. If they need this resent to their email, they need to come and ask. Clickview has loads of videos to support the programs of study your child is undertaking.

The library runs competitions and weekly quizzes to keep people busy. All students have to do is ask. We even offer cash prizes!

If you have any questions for the librarian about how to help your child with your child’s assignment, please don’t hesitate to call and we will do our best to help you help them.

Happy reading!

Mrs K White

TAS – Home Economics
Year 10 Textiles Technology
Year 10 Textiles Technology students have been learning about the Japanese Culture and how it can influence textile design. Their first practical project was to create an adapted version of the kimono. This kimono incorporated some traditional Japanese decoration techniques including Shibori dyeing and Sashiko stitching. The Textiles students are about to undertake their second practical project. For this project they must
create an item for the ‘Textiles Art Piece Challenge’. The theme for this year is ‘Under the Sea’. Stay tuned to see what our creative and talented students produce.

**Year 11 Hospitality: Food & Beverage**
The Year 11 Hospitality students have been busy practising their culinary skills. The students recently undertook one week of work placement at a variety of establishments in the Campbelltown and Camden region where they could gain an insight into what it would be like to work in the Hospitality industry. The students received a number of glowing reports and there were even some casual jobs offered to students.

**SPORTS NEWS**
Congratulations to all students featured this month for their achievements and team selections.

**SCHOOL SWIMMING**
**NSW CHS MEDALLISTS**
Recently EHS students competed at the NSWCHS Competition. Congratulations to the following Individual Medallists;

- Aleksandria Ilic - Bronze in girls 12-14yrs 400m Freestyle
- Bronze in girls 12-14yrs 200m Freestyle
- Silver in girls 12-14yrs 200m IM
- Bronze in girls 12-14yrs 400m IM

- Brittany Stoker – Bronze in 17+ 100m Freestyle

- Vanya Kamenjas - Bronze in boys 12-13yrs 100m Backstroke

**More Swimming news**
Brittany Stoker and Karlee Franek competed in the Georgina Hope Foundation Australian Age Swimming Championships at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre recently.

Karlee came 12th in the U17 200m Breaststroke.

Brittany competed in the U16 girls and came 7th in the 100m Backstroke and is now ranked in the top 10 fastest girls nationwide for this age group.

**TEAM SELECTIONS**
**Swimming NSW (SNSW) Emerging Talent Squad (ETS)**
Brittany Stoker

**Australia U19 World Softball Championships- Oklahoma**
Gabrielle Plain

**SSW Open Girls Netball Team**
Abbi Church

**SSW Lawn Bowls Team**
Josh Lord
Sam Dukes
Brianna Smith

**SSW Open Boys Hockey Team**
Daniel O’Daly

**SSW Open Girls Touch Team**
Clare Armstrong

Note to Parents/Carers: Elderslie High School has a long tradition of students achieving sporting aptitude, either through school or outside activities. If your child achieves any sporting accolades of note could you please inform the PDHPE department in writing or by email so that they can be recognised and congratulated in future Parent Bulletins, and considered for sports awards at the end of the school year.

Emails can be sent to Ms Jeffries
elderslie-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

**Debating Update**
The Year 12 Debating Team, consisting of Alexander O’Flynn, Andrew Loomes, Stella Kowelick and Brooke Murray, won their Round 2 Debate against Camden High School. Good luck in Round 3 against Elizabeth Macarthur High School!

The Year 11 Debating Team, consisting of Mara Aplin, Mai O’Regan, Emily Morgan, Tayler Buckley and Janaye Farrell, won their Round 1 Debate against Punchbowl Boys High School. Good luck in Round 2 against Ashcroft High School!

The Year 9 & 10 Debating Teams will be starting their 2015 campaign on Friday, 5th June against Camden High School. So stay tuned for updates on our progress!

Year 7 & 8 Debating will be starting their 2015 campaign in the next few weeks. So stay tuned for updates on our progress!
Public Speaking
Stella Kowalick and Alexander O’Flynn from Year 12 went on to complete in the Regional Final of the Plain English Speaking Award. Both students were excellent representatives for Elderslie High School. Congratulations to Stella on her selection for the Semi-Finals on the 12 June. Good luck, Stella!

Congratulations to Georgia Cunnion and Blake Penfold from Year 8 on their selection as hosts for the Dance Festival Ultimo Public Schools – Series 1 at Bankstown Sports Club. Georgia and Blake were selected from many students from the Ultimo network. Well done to both of you!

Ms S Dennis

South Pacific is coming to Elderslie High School
This year Elderslie High School will see the return of a Musical Performance. We will be presenting South Pacific. Come along and join in all of the fun as Elderslie High School sings, dances and embraces an island paradise during World War II. If you enjoy Musicals then you will really love South Pacific. Rehearsals are in full swing and the cast are really looking forward to the challenge of staging such a musical favourite.

Just a reminder to the cast and orchestra that they have their fifth extended Rehearsal on Tuesday, 9th June, 2015 from 3.25 pm – 8.30 pm in the School Hall.

South Pacific will be presented to the school community on the 25 - 27 June, 2015 at the School Hall. Tickets are available online through trybooking.com – enter “trybooking.com” into your favourite search engine and search for “South Pacific” or “Elderslie High School”. Choose the evening you wish to attend and book your seats from the seating plan.

Alternatively, you can pre-book tickets and seating at the school or purchase tickets at the door for standby seating.

Tickets Prices:
Pre-Booked On-line
Adult $18
Student/Cons. $12

Pre-booked through the school
Adult $20
Student/Cons. $15

At the Door – No booked seating available
Adult $20
Student/Cons. $15

Creative and Performing Arts Faculty
Gifted and Talented Program
The Gifted and Talented Committee would like to invite any students from Year 7 - 10 to participate in the Tournament of Minds event in 2015. Students from the Gifted and Talented Workshop program are encouraged to participate. Please see Ms Lysaught in the English Staffroom to express your interest.

The Gifted and Talented workshop program is designed to support what is already happening in classrooms and to offer students some extra opportunities. The Term 2 Workshop Day is on Tuesday, 2nd June, 2015. The Gifted and Talented committee have some exciting things planned for the students on this day.

Gifted and Talented Team
CAPA Update
Congratulations to the Dance Ensemble, Dance Company and Ballroom Dance Ensemble on their selection for the Dance Festival Ultimo Public Schools – Series 1 to be held at Bankstown Sports Club. The Dress Rehearsal is on Monday, 1 June and the Matinee and Evening Performances are on Tuesday, 2 June and Thursday, 4 June. Please refer to the permission note for more details. Permission notes for Transport and costume hire payments were due to the Student Office last week. Please finalise any outstanding amounts as soon as possible. Costumes cannot be issued until this fee is paid.

Dance Transition Program is back for 2015. Two of our partner primary schools, Mawarra and Elderslie Public Schools are very excited about participating. The third rehearsal for this program was on Monday, 18 May, 2015 and the next rehearsal is on Monday, 15 June, 2015 from 3.25 pm – 5.00 pm in the School Hall.

The Year 11 Drama students represented Elderslie High School at the Theatresports Challenge on Tuesday, 12 May at Canterbury Girls High School. The girls had a fantastic time and learnt a lot on the evening.

Congratulations to the Junior Drama Ensemble and Year 8 Performing Arts class on their wonderful behaviour at the Illawarra Performing Arts Centre when they went to see a performance of Storm Boy.

CAPA Faculty
CATCHING UP WITH OUR ALUMNI...
Bradley Roe
Class of 2012
Achievements at School:
• 84.6 ATAR, and a Middle - High Band 5 Average in all my HSC subjects
• 2012 School Captain
• Member of EHS Debating Team selected for the State Debating Championships
• Member of the cast for six EHS Musicals. Lead role in Singin’ In the Rain.
• Represented Elderslie High School in South western Sydney and State Drama Festival in 2011
• Member of the Mock Trial team and Ballroom Dance Ensemble
• Student Choreographer for EHS Dance Ensemble
Achievements after School:
• Receiving early Entry at University of Western Sydney.
• Currently studying Bachelor of Commerce and Diploma in Languages, as well as a 2 year course at ED5 International to chase his dream of becoming a Musical Theatre Star!!!
• Credit average in my course, and an almost complete Diploma of languages in French.
• Performing in Campbelltown Theatre Group’s production of Hairspray and The Producers.
• Performing in Packemin Production’s Hairspray, Annie and Beauty and the Beast at the Riverside Theatre with professionals Such as; Jon English, Wayne Scott Kermond, Cle Morgan, Amanda Muggleton, Christopher Horsey, Rodney Dobson, Donna Lee, Scott Irwin, and Adam Scicluna.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data 2015
On 24 July, Elderslie High School is required to participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data for 2015. This data is collected by the Commonwealth Government to provide an annual national snapshot of all students with disability across all schools in Australia. It allows for examination of the adjustments that students are receiving consistent with the obligations under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and Disability Standards for Education 2005.

The data will help education authorities and schools to better target programs and make resourcing decisions.

The information is provided to the Commonwealth as a series of number sets that cannot be used to identify any individual student or school.

If you would like to know more about the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data 2015, please refer to the schools website, under the ‘Caring For Students’ tab.
B Townsend, Relieving H/T Welfare.

P & C MEETINGS 2015
ALL parents of students and interested members of the Elderslie community are invited to these meetings.
Meetings are held in the School Library starting at 7.00pm.

2 June
28 July
25 August
20 October
17 November
How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

**iPhone & iPad Users**

1. Click the “App Store” icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click “Free” then “Install”.
4. If iPad, change the drop list to “iPhone Apps”, your school will then be visible, click “Free” then “Install”.
5. When installed click “Open”.
6. Select “OK” to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the “More” button on the bottom right of the App, then “Setup”.
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

**Android Users**

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the “Play Store” button on your Android Device.
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Elderslie High School Presents

THU 25TH JUNE
FRI 26TH JUNE
SAT 27TH JUNE

Doors open at 7.15 pm
Curtain at 7.30 pm
In the School Hall

SOUTH PACIFIC

2015

Rodgers & Hammerstein's
SOUTH PACIFIC
Music by RICHARD RODGERS
Lyrics by OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II

Book by OSCAR HAMMERSTEIN II and JOSHUA LOGAN
Adapted from the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel
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At the Student Office or the Box Office on the evening
Adults $20.00
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## PROPOSED CALENDAR
More detailed Calendar events can be found on our school website.

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