We acknowledge the Cammeraygal and the Guringai people, their spirits and ancestors, traditional inhabitants of the land on which we stand.

From the Principal

POPE FRANCIS REVEALS THE TOP 10 SECRETS TO HAPPINESS

In an interview published in the Argentine weekly “Viva”, Pope Francis has released his top 10 tips for Happiness and they are beautiful and inspiring. I share them with you in prayer; they are yet another representation of the simplicity and grounded leadership our new Pope brings to our Church.

1. Live and let live
2. Be giving of yourself to others
3. Proceed calmly in life
4. A healthy sense of leisure
5. Sundays should be holidays
6. Find innovative ways to create dignified jobs for young people
7. Respect and take care of nature
8. Stop being negative
9. Don’t proselytize; respect others’ beliefs
10. Work for peace

ST MARY MacKILLOP FEAST DAY

In a special way we pray through St Mary MacKillop, our first Australian Saint, as it is her Feast Day this Friday 8 August. Mary’s great saying was “Never see a need without doing something about it.”

CHRIS LANZON – “THIS IS THE VOICE”

Our very own Chris Lanzon from Year 8 has made it to the Final of The Kids Voice. He is in the final six. What an amazing achievement! The final showdown is this Sunday evening at 7.40pm on Channel 9.

We can all watch and vote live. Congratulations Chris – you are certainly “our voice”.

ST PIUS X COLLEGE SHINES AT IPSHA MUSIC CONCERT

On Monday evening, 4 August the College participated in the Annual IPSHA Performing Arts Concert at the Sydney Town Hall. Selected Year 6 musicians also played in the Combined Concert Band. The Junior Choir performed brilliantly under their Conductor, Ms Bates.

The Finale saw a Combined Choir of over 400 students from all schools perform with our own Ms Rawle as Conductor and with only Ms Stella Waddington playing piano accompaniment and Nicholas Parker (Year 10) on the djembe.

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Year 12 Retreats → 15/8
P&F General Meeting, 7.30pm Sarto Centre

Wednesday 13/8
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Saturday 16/8
ISA Semis/ISA Tennis Finals

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Splinters Splashes & Sounds
STUDENT PASTORAL CARE AND WELLBEING – WATCH ABC 1 NATIONAL NEWS TONIGHT: ABC National News visited the school on Tuesday morning at the recommendation of MindMatters Australia to view some of our activities in Pastoral Care and Wellbeing, in particular with a focus on building resilience in young people and assisting them to “bounce back”. They interviewed students and filmed the Boxercise group as well as the Peer Mentoring students in action with Year 11 and Year 5 students.

This will be aired on Wednesday evening (tonight) and/or Thursday on the 7:00pm ABC 1 National News and also through their website. The College recognises the outstanding work of Mr Rick Russo.

2015 COLLEGE LEADERS: Congratulations to the College Student Leadership Team for 2015. Next week we will have some photos of this group as they have only been announced at the College this afternoon.

Fraser Toohey – College Captain
James Brannan – College Vice Captain
Matthew Buskariol – College Vice Captain

College Prefects
Liam Carroll
Tyran Collins
Lachlan Finch
Matthew Harris
Tyler Jarvis
Benjamin John
Ben Kinchington
Hans Lee
Francis Phillips
Christopher Keyes

Purton House Captain: Liam Calleja
Rice House Captain: Nick McCamley
Barron House Captain: Ben Murphy
Treacy House Captain: Declan Ward

SCIENCE: The Science Department is making a huge impact upon the boys’ learning and the students have achieved great success in the UNSW Science Competition with 5 High Distinction conferred to Benjamin Lamont, Michael Currington, Daniel Hall, Harrison Robson and Kane Eden.

In the National Youth Science Forum to be held in Canberra in January 2015, we have a record 4 students who have been offered acceptance. Congratulations to Robert Morgan, Harry Vinter, Jeremy Chow and Joshua Maggiora from Year 11 on their selection.

This year from Year 12 Kanishk Purohit (Canada) and Scott Watts (Germany) have participated in International Science Forums.

Congratulations to these students and their teachers under the leadership of the Science Co-ordinator, Ms Judy Black.

In Week 6 of this term, from Monday 18 to Wednesday 20 August, the College will hold its own Science Week Events for participation from all students. Great fun and great learning!

YEAR 7 AND 8 STUDY SKILLS PARENT EVENING WITH PRUE SALTER: Over 200 parents came to the school on Monday evening to work with Prue Salter from Enhanced Learning Educational Services who presented on ways to assist your son with best approaches to study at home. Special thanks to all those parents and to Mr Yue and Mr Stollery. This will certainly continue our combined efforts between home and school to enhance the boys’ learning. Please see the MindMatters section of this newsletter for follow-up information and relevant websites.

STOP PRESS: PETER FITZSIMONS SMH - TEAM OF THE WEEK: Congratulations to the SPX First XI Football who were named in Peter FitzSimons’ “Team of the Week” last Saturday.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WARATAHS AND MICHAEL HOOPER – SIZZA BOM TAH! Congratulations to St Pius Old Boy and Waratah Captain Michael Hooper on winning the Super XV Title on Saturday night. Michael never forgets Pius and we were very proud to see him sporting a Pius cap when running a victory lap on Saturday evening!

And NO – this is not Mr Couani’s photoshoot but the real deal.
Go Michael – Go Pius! Sizza Boom Tah
BUILDING IN FERGUSON LANE
The College has been notified that building has commenced on the corner of Archer St and Ferguson Lane. The developers are building a multistorey serviced apartment block and there are some changed traffic conditions. The developers are working with the schools to ensure the safety of students and all members of the public.

Mr John Couani

From the Assistant Principal - Mission and Identity
On Tuesday 5th August our Year 9 students celebrated a Special Mass with the Year 8 ladies from Mercy Catholic College in Our Lady of Dolours Church. The Mass was a special commentated Mass where our Parish Priest, Father Paul and Youth Coordinator for the Parish, Mr Adrian Brannan, explained each part of the Mass and certainly brought alive the significance of the prayers, rituals and symbolism behind our celebration of the Eucharist. The young ladies and gentlemen were outstanding in their respect and reverence ensuring our faith remains at our core, particularly with its significance surrounding the celebration of the Mass.

All students then joined together for a most enjoyable morning tea in the glorious sunshine. Many thanks to Father Paul and Mr Adrian Brannan for this initiative which proved most successful in understanding the significance of Mass as well as joining as a Parish with our neighbouring school, Mercy College Chatswood.

Mr M Casey

From the P&F

P&F GENERAL MEETING NEXT MONDAY! You are very warmly welcome to come along to the P&F General Meeting, which takes place at the Sarto Centre next Monday 11 August from 7.30pm. Mr John Couani and Mr Alex Damo will present the findings of the Parent Survey and discuss the latest Technology developments for the boys, so come along and hear about progress. If you have any questions for John or Alex, or the P&F, you are very much encouraged to send them to spxspandfsecretary@gmail.com for discussion on the evening.

FATHERS’ DAY BREAKFAST: Dads and Granddads, lock away Friday morning 5 September for the Fathers’ Day Breakfast at the College! Live music, espresso coffee, juices, muffins, bacon and egg rolls. From 6.30am. Full details on the way.

FANTASTIC MUSICAL EVENT: Live @ the Studio is a first time event run by our busy Performing Arts Parents Association. The show will feature a jazz piano recital by Kevin Hunt (piano) and Phil Stack (double bass) in The Band Room at the College, 3pm on Sunday 17 August 2014. The performance will be in two forty minute halves with an intermission. $25 adults, $15 students, which includes the show and a complimentary wine or soft drink and some snacks. Please see the flyer in Woodchatta Extras.

YEAR 10 MUMS’ DINNER: The Great Northern Hotel in Chatswood is a vibrant venue on a Thursday night, and Year 10 Mums get the chance to check it out on 28 August. RSVP by Monday 25 August to Nicola at nicola.bento@optusnet.com.au Please download all the details here

Steve Johnson
SPX P&F Secretary / Communications

MindMatters for Families

- FOLLOWING UP: YEARS 7 & 8 STUDY SKILLS EVENING
This week Prue Salter from Enhanced Learning Educational Services (www.enhanced-learning.net) ran a study skills evening with Year 7 and 8 parents and students. The evening helped families put systems in place to help students work towards achieving their personal best in an efficient and effective way. Students examined their home study environment, the way they organise and manage their resources, how to work effectively at home and deal with distractions, how to manage the workload in high school, and the steps to studying in high school: making study notes, learning the notes by testing yourself and doing as much practise as possible. All Year 7 and 8 parents are encouraged to review the handout from the session with their sons and discuss the main areas identified where changes need to be made.

Parents can also find extra study skills tips on the following website: http://studyskillstotipsparents.com/. All secondary students at our school also have access to a great study skills website to help students develop their skills. Go to www.studyskillshandbook.com.au and enter the username: spx and the password: 2Success and start improving your results today!

- SEVEN QUICK TIPS TO HELP YOU RELAX
The daily demands of life, such as exams, peer pressure, and homework assignments, or the challenges of relationships, family, or not making it on a sporting team can lead to an overwhelming feeling of stress. What you need to learn is how to cope with these situations in order to live a successful, productive, and happy life. Here are some proven techniques to help you relax and eliminate stress from your mind and body.
1. **Eat In Moderation:** Never skip a meal, especially breakfast. Breakfast replenishes your body and helps you start your day full of energy. Eat three main meals, and two to three snack meals a day. Eating five to six times in a day keeps your blood sugar levels balanced, giving you an overall sense of well-being needed for focusing on your tasks and responsibilities.

2. **Exercise Regularly:** Regular exercise, at least three times per week for a minimum of 30 minute sessions, can virtually “soak up” stress chemicals in your body and help you to relax and even sleep better. Brisk walking, aerobic classes, swimming, bike riding, or jogging are great exercises to release stress build up and relax your body and mind to either start or end your day right.

3. **Remember To Breathe:** When you feel your body start to tense, especially in your shoulders, chest, and abdomen when faced with a stressful situation, stop and take a few deep, slow breaths. If you are entering into a stressful situation, breathe slowly and evenly, using diaphragmatic breathing. This is a technique where you focus your breathing on your diaphragm where your belly rises and falls with each breath. Diaphragmatic breathing allows you to calm your nerves and relax your body and mind as your attention is placed on your breath.

4. **Take Time Out And Be Mindful:** As you go through your day, take little breaks, about two to five minutes, to relax and unwind. Whether it’s sitting quietly, listening to relaxing music, or meditation, take a moment to place yourself in your own calm state.

5. **Pursue An Interest:** Find something that you enjoy doing that is relaxing for you. When you find an interest that matches your personality, you can not only unwind and release stress, but engage your creativity in expressing yourself. This could be through painting, playing basketball, and writing, playing a musical instrument, or signing up for a class that you have always been wanting to take.

6. **Have A Support Network:** Create a support network of close friends or family that you can turn to in times of stress. Good and loving relationships are key for your well-being and happiness. It makes you realize what is important in life and where your energies should be placed.

7. **Avoid Bad Habits:** When you are under stress, it is easy to turn to your established bad habits to deal with the stress. These habits are negative and will not take away stress, but only prolong it. The best way to avoid bad habits is to create new positive habits. Here is how to create a positive habit:
   - Decide on the habit. Will you go for a walk each morning, go to the gym, and take time out to do something special for yourself?
   - Decide on where and when you will do this new habit. Choose a time and place and continue this new activity for 3 months (it takes around 66 days to establish a habit).
   - Reward yourself each time you do this new activity. You may simply take a moment to notice how good it feels.

These tips are provided by Rocky Biasi from Human Connections (www.humanconnections.com.au), a secondary high school teacher and school counselor currently in private practice. Rocky is a specialist in the field of peak performance and wellbeing. He has created a number of programs including his online wellbeing resource: http://hcsmc.com/dl

**Mr R Russo – College Counsellor**

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**Performing Arts News**

**IPSHA PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL**

Huge congratulations to Ms Rawle, Ms Waddington, Nicholas Parker (Year 10), the Junior Choir and selected Year 6 Junior Concert Band boys on their impressive performances at this year’s festival on Monday evening. Our musicians and choristers played and sang superbly, looked resplendent in their College uniforms and were courteous and co-operative at all times. They are a credit to themselves, their families and the College.

**YEAR TEN PERFORMANCE NIGHT:** This night showcases the talents of the Year 10 Elective Music class and will be held on Wednesday 13th August (Week 5), commencing at 5.00pm in the Band Room. This night is compulsory for all students in the class, as they are marked on their performances as part of their final assessments. Parents and friends are warmly invited to attend. Parking will be available in the Junior School yard.

**LIVE @ THE STUDIO:** Please see the flyer in Woodchatta Extras regarding this event on Sunday, 17 August. It is going to be a fantastic afternoon of music. Seating is limited, so you will need to book early to avoid disappointment.

**CO-CURRICULAR DRAMA:** The Performing Arts Department is pleased to be able to offer “Drama Ensemble” as a new co-curricular activity. Further information can be found in Woodchatta Extras. Interested students should speak with Ms Bates or Mr Combes. Drama Ensemble will commence next Monday, 11th August, 3.30 – 5.30pm, in the Leary Learning Centre.

**WINTERJAM 2014:** Best wishes to “The Dissolutes”: Ben John, Josh Fox (Year 11), Nicholas Wellard (Year 10) and Sam John (Year 9) who will be performing at this event on Friday, 22nd August. For further information, please see the flyer on the Performing Arts Noticeboard.

**Ms T Bates – Performing Arts Co-ordinator**
From the Art Department

SPLINTERS SPLASHES & SOUNDS 2014

The annual exhibition of HSC students’ works in Wood, Design and Technology, Art and Music will be held on Thursday 28th August from 6:30pm in E Bock. Music performances from 7:00 pm in The Band Room.

(Painting by Keenan Carbonell – detail)

Mr M Anderson – Visual Arts Coordinator

Latest Achievement in Science

INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE SUMMER SCHOOL HEIDELBERG (ISSSH) … greetings from Scott Watts

Guten tag!

As you know I have been in Heidelberg for a week with the ISSSH and it has really flown by. It is hard to believe that only a week or so ago I was sitting for my trial examinations. We have already done and seen so much. The first week has been filled with practical training and tours of research facilities at the forefront of their field. These include the Explo Laboratory, the European Molecular Biology Lab, and the Max Planck Institutes for Astrophysics and Nuclear Physics. Here we performed interesting experiments as well as receiving insightful lectures and tours around the facilities to get up to date on cutting edge research and modern technologies.

Apart from the Science, we have also explored Heidelberg and its surrounds, seeing famous sights such as Heidelberg Castle and the old town. These excursions have been very interesting and exciting to see the German architecture which is much more refined than that of Sydney. Moreover these trips have enabled the 23 participants to become like a family.

Tomorrow I will be starting my research project at the Institute of Theoretical Studies where I will attempt to determine the source of strength in a particular protein using computer simulation which has applications in engineering. I am very excited to perform real research that the post-doc tutors would ‘have to do anyway’.

I hope all is going as well in Sydney as it is here in Heidelberg and I look forward to sharing my experience with everyone when I return. Auf wiedershen!

Scott Watts - (SPX Year 12 student)

From the Charity Committee: Jeans for Genes 2014

Each year we raise money for Jeans for Genes by selling merchandise, this year the sum was $346. Congratulations to the following Year 8 students who helped achieve this amount: Ben Ellero, Christian Harris, Jeremy Hoy, Lachlan Lowick, Harry Pfeiffer, Callum Stephen, Brendan Aiken, Mitchell Chow, Isaac Fong, Daniel Hall and Patrick Espiritu; and to the three Year 10 Students who also volunteered to help; Nick Parker, Reuben Ghannoum and Mitchell Fear.

We are now organising to be of assistance to the Cancer Council for their major fund raiser, Daffodil Day. This will involve a large number of Year 8 students on Friday 22nd August.

Mrs S Towns

40 Hour Famine

GIVE UP to bring hunger down in 2014. The 40 Hour Famine is sponsored by World Vision and encourages all people who are more fortunate than those in starving countries to give up something precious or that we take for granted to raise funds. Even if you do not want to give up anything, your support can be shown through sponsoring those who are. Starting 8pm on Friday 15th of August, the challenge is on to give up a meaningful asset of your life until noon Sunday 17th of August. For example, you could give up food, furniture, technology, transport, speaking or a particular sense such as sight.

Further information and volunteer booklets can be obtained from myself or Ms Bates in the Performing Arts Office.

Stewart Ross - Team Leader, Year 10

Attention Year 11 Parents

The latest Year 11 Newsletter was emailed home to parents yesterday by Mr Batchelor. It is also available on the Year 11 Pastoral page of eAccess.

Mr B Batchelor – Year 11 Guidance Coordinator
In celebration of Children’s Book Week, author Will Kostakis will be taking the stage at the Sarto Centre on Monday 11th August to talk to Years 8, 9 and 10 about his latest book. The First Third has been nominated for ‘Book of Year’.

Our Book Club will have the chance to meet the author over afternoon tea. The Club has been reading their way through the six Short-Listed books (shown below) in order to cast our vote on ‘best book’. We wonder if we’ll agree with official judges when it’s announced on the 15th August.

Kostakis’ standout-performance at this year’s Sydney Writers’ Festival inspired all to read his book. The Senior Resource Centre is ready with a number of the copies on hand.

**BOOK OF THE YEAR FOR OLDER READERS 2014, THE CHILDREN’S BOOK COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA’S SHORT-LIST**

Life is made up of three parts: in *The First Third*, you’re embarrassed by your family; in the second, you make a family of your own; and in the end, you just embarrass the family you’ve made. That’s how Billy’s grandmother explains it. She’s given him her bucket list (cue embarrassment), and now, it’s his job to glue their family back together. No pressure or anything. Fixing his family’s not going to be easy. It’s a Greek tragedy waiting to happen.

Life? It’s simple: be true to yourself. The tricky part is finding out exactly who you are. This is a story about first love, friendship and NOT fitting in.

A romantic comedy about a movie geek and the dream girl he refuses to fall in love with.

A deliciously dark bubblegum-gothic fairytale from a stunning new Australian talent.

Presented as a series of vignettes, it tells of Michael’s coming of age in a year which brings him grief and romance; and of the place he lives in Western Sydney

Just another day at school for Fin until a nuclear missile attack rips his world apart. Fin and his younger brother Max must find a way to survive all on their own.

Mrs K Keighery

Public Speaking

Congratulations to Andrew Jackson, Year 9, for his success in reaching the regional finals of the Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award to be held at The Arts Unit, Lewisham from 9.30am – 1.30pm on Wednesday 13 August 2014.

We ask that all speakers arrive at Lewisham at least fifteen minutes before the scheduled start time of their event. Speakers are welcome to present the same prepared speech as they did at the competition two weeks ago. Andrew Jackson will be competing against students from the following schools:

North Sydney Boys High School
Pymble Ladies College
Asquith Girls High School
Shore School
NBSC Manly Campus
Cheltenham Girls High School
Marist College, Eastwood
Willaughby Girls High School
Loreto Kirribilli
Riverside Girls High School
North Sydney Girls High School
Castle Hill High School

The winners are expected to attend the state semi-finals on Friday 12 September in the Theatrette of NSW Parliament House. The state final is on Friday 17 October in the Domain Theatre of the Art Gallery of New South Wales. For more information on the competition, please visit www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au

Mrs M Waterson – Convenor
I remember the day I first encountered him. It was a quiet afternoon at school, and I was sitting in my usual spot, engrossed in my book. I didn’t realize it at the time, but he was the one who caught my attention. His eyes sparkled with curiosity, and his smile was infectious. I couldn’t help but smile back, and our eyes met. It was a moment of connection, and I knew that I had found a kindred spirit.

We became fast friends, and our conversations were filled with laughter and adventures. He was always there to listen, and he was quick to offer a word of encouragement when I needed it most. I remember one particular day when I was struggling with a concept in math. He patiently worked through the problem with me, and I can still hear his voice today reminding me, “Always remember, you are capable.”

As the years went by, our friendship only grew stronger. We faced many challenges together, but we never faltered. I always knew that I could count on him no matter what. It was like having a built-in support system, and I was grateful for every moment we shared.

And now, as we sit here today, I feel a sense of nostalgia and gratitude. I remember the day we graduated from high school, and I knew that our friendship would continue on. I will always cherish the memories we’ve made and the lessons we’ve learned. To my dear friend, I say, “Thank you for being there for me, and I hope we can continue to share many more adventures together.”
AUSTRALIAN GIFTED SUPPORT CENTRE
The Centre holds weekend camps for gifted and talented children. It gives gifted children the opportunity to spend time with like-minded peers engaged in interesting or challenging activities and social experiences is vital for their wellbeing. This year the theme is Out of This World. The camp is held in Morisset from 8th-10th August. For further information and to register visit: http://nswcamp2014.eventbrite.com/

WRITE ON COMPETITION 2014 (YEARS 5-6)
Entries are NOW OPEN in this Writing Competition. Students over NSW are invited to enter a 500 word short writing piece using the photograph in the link below as a stimulus. Entries close 25th August. Those boys interested can visit http://writeon.bos.nsw.edu.au/ to find out more and enter.

WRITERS WANTED! WRITE4FUN COMPETITION
Entries are open for any boys wishing to enter this competition. Writing can be any style on any topic such as poetry or short story on any theme. Great prizes to be won. Entries close 31st August. Those boys interested can visit http://www.write4fun.net/competitions/53 to find out more to enter and come Compass Club Wednesday lunchtime to work on your entry.

SCREEN IT COMPETITION (YEARS 5-12)
Registrations are open for Screen It 2014! Fancy yourself as a filmmaker? Think you can match Adam Elliot in the animation stakes? Want to show off your skills as a video game maker? Then get ready to enter this year’s Screen It competition! A national moving image competition for primary and secondary students, Screen It is designed to encourage and foster the next generation of young moving image makers.
This year, Screen It entrants are asked to create works responding to the theme: Reflection
Those boys interested can visit: www.acmi.net.au/screenit

Students interested in participating in any of the competitions or courses are welcome to contact me.
Mrs Spanyik - Learning Enrichment Teacher

Careers


Ms D Janes – Careers Advisor

Invitation to All Year 12 Mums

Please see the dinner invitation in Woodchatta Extras.

Uniform Shop

TRADING HOURS – MONDAYS, TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS 8.00am–1.30pm.

Orders can also be placed either by phoning the shop or sending an email to uniformshop@stpiusx.nsw.edu.au.

Parents are reminded that the Uniform Shop also sells second-hand school uniforms. Enquiries 9414 4339.

A price list is available on the College website. http://www.spx.nsw.edu.au/facilities/uniform-shop

ATHLETICS UNIFORMS are now available to purchase. Shirt $45, Shorts - students wear either PE shorts or athletic shorts $20.

MATHS BOOKS $3 and MUSIC BOOKS $2.20.

Mrs D Muirhead – Co-ordinator

Canteen Roster

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RUGBY

“Collective Effort”

So often in sports reporting the individual performer makes the headline, quite often when the collective effort of the team has been the winning factor. This was evidenced most clearly on Saturday night when the Waratahs second half of the season “togetherness” got them home against the Crusaders. This is what we are aiming to achieve with Team St Pius X and on Saturday our 16 A’s proved the point. As the teams lined up it looked again like another heavyweight v middleweight contest! What are they eating in Bathurst? The result a 13-7 home win represented all the qualities of St Pius X rugby, 100% commitment, huge desire, individual technical competence and team organisation. One word I must use is “courage”. The 16A’s had heaps of it in the face of wave after wave of intimidating forward attack. I could mention names but that would detract from the team collective effort. For a coach these are the moments you live for.

Elsewhere our 15A’s put in their performance of the season and just missed out by a score, Ryan Bento a future first XV player in the making, a tower of strength. 14 A’s hit top form in a big win and now have a squad capable of winning when rep players are absent, Harry Lea making a dynamic debut. 14 B’s are merrily going along beating all ahead of them. I like their uncomplicated and very effective style.

16B’s and 14C’s had narrow losses. Seconds sacrificed a result by changing players to ensure 1sts had cover. 13’s had an “off day” and will be keen to get back to winning ways in the final game of the season.

Finally our 1st XV. Week after week they put in stirring first half performances, and have led at half time in the last 3 games only to fall away in the final quarter. One cannot fault the preparation, effort, enthusiasm and will to win. The Year 11s in the team/squad will be learning every week both at training and in matches. The “Collective Effort” always produces a return, but it is a process and sustained attention to detail on the training field will produce improvement. As a player you have to be relentless in your approach to improvement and ensure you enjoy every training session and every game.

Our final fixture of the season is St Augustine’s away. Arguably the toughest games of the season but last year we took on the challenge and recorded some great wins. This year we will launch our Team St Pius X “collective effort” and finish off what has been a top season! See you all at Training.

Mike Penistone – Rugby Development Officer

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FOOTBALL - Dear Parents and Players, Another successful weekend of Football for St Pius. It was a cold but beautiful day in Bowral, and ‘Player of the Week’ must go to all the mums and dads who made the trek to the Southern Highlands. Team of the Week has to go to the 16B’s who not only had the early game in Bowral but came away with a victory, which means they have won every game so far this year!

This weekend is the final weekend of round games. It appears that most teams will make the semi-finals which will occur on the 16th of August followed by the Grand Finals at Oakhill on 23rd August.

This weekend’s fields can be found at the following locations:

- Walsh: Dreadnought Rd, Oxford Falls
- Mason Park: Underwood Rd, Homebush
- Campbell, Gwilliam, University and Northern Fields: Culloden Rd, Marsfield

Good luck in your final round fixtures.

Mr S Yue – Convenor
### CRICKET - 2014/15 Season

**Player Registration is OPEN.** 2014/15 Season registration is open and on-line through Trybooking. Please use the following link: [SPX Cricket Registration 2014/15](http://www.trybooking.com).

**Pre-Season Training.** SPX Cricket invites all students wishing to play for the College in the 2014/15 season to pre-season training/coaching to be held at Oxford Falls on Sunday, 17 August 2014. Qualified coaches from Mosman Cricket Club will be in attendance to oversee the conduct of the sessions. Players are encouraged to take part in this coaching “to kick start” their season.

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Round 9 was a round of diversity. A number of teams (3B, 10B and 9) played exceedingly well with final scores decisive in SPX’s favour. There were also some close matches where SPX was able to get the overall win through determined matches where each game was fought over and won leading to an SPX victory. This was the case for both Teams 6 and 7. Great stroke play was demonstrated by Jackson Edwards and Miles Fitzgerald and the final point by James Langford and Riley Andrews to secure Team 6’s win was emphatic. A great game was also had by our Captain, Michael Jordan, as he bids farewell to ISA Tennis.

This week, Round 10 is our last competition round and there are too many SPX teams in 3rd place. Determination, fervour and passion are needed this week so that those numerous 3rd places can be converted to a Finals berth 2nd place!!

Good luck - and let’s showcase the Blue and Gold on the Court this week.

Please note that for any team that makes finals (at this point SPX Team 3A, 7, 10A and 10B) there will be compulsory training on either Monday or Tuesday of Week 5.

**Mr D Reay - Convenor**

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**CRICKET - 2014/15 Season**

After an outstanding 2013/14 season SPX Cricket is looking to the 2014/15 season with great excitement.

Please note that for any team that makes finals (at this point SPX Team 3A, 7, 10A and 10B) there will be compulsory training on either Monday or Tuesday of Week 5.

**Ms T De Souza - Convenor**
ATHLETICS

New Athletics Singlets
This season we have updated the College Athletics Singlet. It is now a more modern material and look. If boys are planning to enter into the upcoming invitational carnivals it is expected that they compete wearing the new singlet. The uniform shop is holding the new stock.

Former Student Qualifies for the Ultimate in International Junior Athletics

Anthony Collum (graduate of 2013 class) a superior athlete in his own right, recently competed at the IAAF (International Association of Athletics Federations) World Junior Championships as a relay member of the formidable Australian Junior Athletics team aptly known as The Spark.

It was a great honour for the former Purton House/Athletics Captain, who toured with the team in North America. Before qualifying for the prestigious Historic Hayward Field in Eugene, Oregon where the World Championships were conducted, Anthony earned his credentials in Vancouver, Canada during a gruelling training program spanning eighteen days.

He was selected initially as the first leg runner for the 4x100m relay, but given his outstanding stamina and speed he was eventually selected to run last as the anchor leg. For Anthony, the day of the 4x100m heats was an unforgettable experience. The Australian Team was reputed to be one of the slowest due to fairly mediocre performances in Canada and trial training camps in Brisbane. But it became clear in the call room at the World Championships that the team had gelled and was ready for a solid performance. “We came fourth in the fastest heat of the day in a time of 40.18, with the highlight of that day being in the IAAF media room and finding out we had made it through to the final” said Anthony.

In the final, (the following day) the Australian Team reported 7th place in a time of 40.09. It was the second fastest time an Australian Team had ever run at World Juniors and third on the all time list, for an Australian Junior team. Given his humility and generous nature, Anthony hopes to render his expertise and impeccable knowledge by coaching the current SPX Athletics team to victory at the ISA Carnival, at Sydney Olympic Stadium, September 9.

Mr R Lacey – Athletics Convenor.

BOXERCISE FOR FITNESS & FUN is available for all students every Thursday and Friday morning at 7.30am in the Blue Room. Please contact Mr Russo if you have any queries.

Junior School Sport

Thursday Sport: on at Oxford Falls. The Rugby and Football Gala Day will take place (see below). Tennis lessons continue.

Winter Gala Day: This is a mini tournament for all rugby and football players. It is essentially a fun way to finish off the season with small sided games in a competitive format. Boys require normal training gear, though rugby players are asked to bring 2 jerseys (school and other).

Athletics: Training continues next week in preparation for our first Carnival, The Barker Invitational on Saturday 16th August.

Cricket: All players wishing to play for the College this summer must register online through Trybooking. Please use the following link: SPX Cricket Registration 2014/15. A pre-season training /coaching clinic will take place on Sunday 17th August at Oxford Falls from 8.30am. Qualified coaches from Mosman Cricket Club will be in attendance to oversee the conduct of the sessions. Players are encouraged to take part in this coaching “to kick start” their season. Further details are available in Woodchatta Extras.

Rugby Presentation Evening: takes place on Tuesday 19th August from 5.30pm – 6.50pm (allowing parents to attend the Snr Presentation in the Gym from 7pm). It will be held in the Sarto Centre and boys will be required to wear school uniform.

Football Presentation Evening: takes place on Wednesday 27th August from 5.30pm – 6.50pm (allowing parents to attend the Snr Presentation in the Gym from 7pm). It will be held in the Sarto Centre and boys will be required to wear school uniform.

Rugby: Our final game takes place this Saturday. Good luck to all players.

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Mr G Virgona – Junior School Sportsmaster
**Football:** Our final game takes place this Saturday. Good luck to all players.

**NSTA Tennis**

In cold but sunny conditions, the Term 3 NSTA competition finally got under way. St Pius unfortunately was hit with a bout of flu with four players unable to play.

St Pius 1 (Div 9) had a great win over MAD, 6 sets to 0 (36 games to 15). Daniel Hoy led his team well scoring a dominant 6 – 0 victory in his singles. Both Aiden Shearer-Hawkins & Joseph Liem stepped up from Division 12 to play fantastic tennis against older, more experienced opponents. Aiden pulled off a nail biting tie break win in his singles with Joseph also scoring a fantastic 6 – 4 win. All three boys combined very well to comfortably take out the doubles sets. A superb effort from all three players.

St Pius 2 played St Pius 3. Sickness meant only two players from each team were able to play. Both teams played out some great sets with St Pius 3 winning on the day.

Hopefully everyone will be back on deck on Saturday.

**Draw for Round 3 Saturday 9th August**

St Pius 1 (Division 9) play Redlands 3 at Talus Street
St Pius 2 (Division 12) play Online Tennis 2 at Roseville Park, Clanville Road, Roseville
St Pius 3 (Division 12) play Riverview 6 at Talus Street

*Mr A Scanlan*

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*Mr B Hoy - NSTA Convenor Term 2 & 3*
The following information is contained within this week’s *Woodchatta Extras*.

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INVITATION TO ALL YEAR 12 MUMS

Can you believe it - our Year 12 boys have nearly graduated from school!
So what better reason do we need:
- to get together
- to celebrate our sons’ time at Pius
- to reminisce
- to enjoy some great company and great food.

Please join us for our last Pius mums’ dinner at
Kaffir Lime Thai Restaurant

http://www.kaffirlimethai.com/
541-3 Willoughby Rd, Willoughby
Thursday 21 August 2014 at 7pm
COST: $40 per head (please bring correct cash on the night)
BYO

Please RSVP to Judy Cotton before 14th August
(including any dietary restrictions)
jamesjudy@optusnet.com.au or 0414 296 568

Hope to see you there!
DRAMA ENSEMBLE

The Drama Ensemble is a co-curricular activity designed to further develop students’ skills in performing for a live audience in a fun and supportive environment. This ensemble will also allow students to extend and enrich activities which they undertake in the academic Drama course.

Over the year, the Drama Ensemble will focus on creating short performance pieces for College and regional events, festivals, ceremonies, competitions and liturgies.

This term, the Drama Ensemble will focus on training the students for a Theatre Sports competition. Students will be put into teams. They are then trained in all aspects of improvisation and techniques of Theatre Sports performance. Students will learn all common performance games used in Theatre Sports challenges, in preparation for a live public performance.

The public performance will take the form of students competing in a Game Show style performance event; three rounds of a knock out competition in front of a live audience. Each game is the framework for the creation of an inventive and entertaining scene for an audience. Students create their own team identity and team uniform/costume for the event. The performances will be scheduled for Friday 17 October, as the culmination of the Performing Arts Festival (formerly Music Festival).

Future directions for the Drama Ensemble include; the winning Theatre Sports teams potentially representing St Pius X College in wider regional and state competitions; scriptwriting and play development workshops; entrance in the National Shakespeare Competition; and short film creation for festivals and competitions.

This opportunity is open to all students from Years 5 – 12. Students who have not yet taken part in curriculum Drama and are looking to select the subject in 2015, might like to join this ensemble to gain performance experience to complement their study. The Drama Ensemble will commence Monday, 11th August (and all Monday’s thereafter), from 3.30 -5.30pm in the Leary Learning Centre. The Drama Ensemble will be directed by Mr Joshua Combes.
“Live” at the Studio

LIVE @ THE STUDIO
jazz piano legend -
KEVIN HUNT

WHEN: Sunday 17 August at 3PM
WHERE: The Bandroom SPX
TIX: $25 and $15

Book at www.Trybooking.com/95890

Join us for an hour and a half of inspirational music from an Australian master, in an intimate setting. Kevin’s repertoire for the performance will range from ancient chants, jazz interpretations of Baroque masterpieces, the soundtrack of the twentieth century and some of his original compositions.

Ticket price includes a glass of wine (or something soft), accompanied by delicious nibbles.

Bookings close Friday 15 August.

Places strictly limited - book now at www.Trybooking.com/95890

This is an event initiated by PAPA (Performing Arts Parents Association) in support of the performing arts at St Pius X College, Chatswood.
All proceeds go the staging of the performance with any surplus used to support other Performing Arts projects.
Catalyst for Renewal: Seeking Renewal Through Conversation

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Aquinas Academy
Freedom of the spirit in the Spirit

Invite you to
The Second Rosemary Goldie Lecture
with
Professor Mary McAleese

Professor Mary McAleese is former President of Ireland (1997-2011). The theme of her presidency was “Building Bridges”. She is a former Professor of Law at Trinity College Dublin and now Professor Emerita at Queen’s University, Belfast. She has also worked as a broadcaster and journalist. She is currently pursuing a Licentiate of Canon Law at Rome’s Pontifical Gregorian University. Mary is married to Martin and has three children Emma and twins Justin and Sarah Mai, and is the author of Quo Vadis? Collegiality in the Code of Canon Law

Sunday 7th September
2.00pm – 4.00pm
at
The Sydney Town Hall Centennial Hall

Bishop Geoffrey Robinson will introduce Professor McAleese. The lecture will take the form of an interview with Andrew West, the Religion and Ethics Report compere on Radio National and will be followed by an open forum. The Master of Ceremonies will be Mike Bailey

Entry: $20 per head pre-booking necessary

Tickets available through TryBooking http://www.trybooking.com/74763

or for those without computer access, some tickets are available through:
Secretary, Catalyst for Renewal, PO Box 265, Swansea, 2281
Telephone Messagebank 02 9990 7003
St Pius X College Cricket Club 2014-15 Season

Are YOU a future ISA cricketer of the Year?

Or just keen to represent your school? If so, then we need YOU!

The first ball of the 2014-15 season is about to be bowled so come along to the club’s Development Day at OXFORD FALLS

Sessions run by professional coaches

SUNDAY AUGUST 17 2014

8.15am – 9.30am – Years 5 and 6
9.15am – 10.30am – Years 7 and 8
10.15am – 1pm – Years 9, 10 and 11

*Allow 15 minutes for registration

Wear training gear; bring lid, hat, water bottle and sunscreen

Player and Team registration for the new season is now open

Sign up at: http://www.trybooking.com/97573

Teams play in the ISA, Manly Warringah and North Shore Cricket Association competitions
WE NEED YOUR TEAM’S PHOTOS & SEASON WRAP-UP!!!
Send in your team’s photos and a short summary of the season (say 100-150 words) for our ‘Season In Review’ publication. We need every team in. Mary Ann Back, our FC Team Managers Coordinator, will be following up with all teams shortly, but don’t make her chase you. Jump on board and share the fun. Here’s a suggested outline:

“The 16As finished fourth on the table, winning seven games out 10, losing two and drawing one. In the resulting semi-final against XYZ, they lost 2-1. It was a great effort by the boys and we would like to thank XYZ for coaching, XYZ for managing etc. The 16As were: Joe Bloggs, Joe Bloggs, etc etc “.

The bonus is that by sending photos and reports in, there’s a great chance to win a World Cup Brazuca football personally signed by Ange Postecoglou and past Socceroos - Brett Emerton & Mark Bosnich. The more times you send photos, the more entries you get (for multiple entries the photos must be for different games). Send your photos (with details of the game being played - team, date, opponents) to footballclub@pandf.spx.nsw.edu.au. Absolute deadline is 16 August, but the earlier the better! Any questions, contact Mary Ann - backs@bigpond.net.au

ISA TABLES & FINALS
It’s looking like another huge year for football at SPX with 13 of our 14 senior teams in contention for finals, with up to 10 home semifinals on 16 August!! Check out your teams standing on the ISA website - www.isa.nsw.edu.au Grand Finals are at Oakhill on 23 August.

SPECIALIST COACHING
Specialist coaching is continuing on a weekly basis with senior coaches booking in Chris Semaan for training and matches. Drew Taylor and Joe Haywood continue on a weekly basis for junior teams’ training, with Chris supporting on match days. The results of a quality football program are showing on the park. Players and team coaches are all benefitting. Just look at the tables!

SPX 1ST XI – TOP INDEPENDENT SCHOOL BOY TEAM IN NSW!
But wait there’s more! Our boys are now eligible to play off against the top Catholic School team and the top Public school team in the state, on 8 & 9 September. Will keep you posted on the time and location. Go PIUS!!!

PRESENTATION NIGHT – 27 AUGUST
The college will again hold two football presentation nights, one each for the junior and senior school, on Wed 27 August. The FC has secured Chris Semaan, as guest speaker, for these events. Chris has a great story to tell from SPX FC to Belgium, Spain and beyond.

FC MEETING - TUES 12 AUG @ 7pm Sarto Centre (Cnr Daisy & Anderson Sts) - All welcome!

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Donna Patterson (President) – patt.donna@hotmail.com
2014 SEASON FIXTURES
Last weekend saw a full fixture list at Oxford Falls with the Senior School teams playing their last home game of the season vs St Stanislaus and the Junior School teams playing St Ignatius and Kings. It was great to see all SPX teams playing the game passionately and in the right spirit, despite some cynical play from their opponents which resulted in a number of yellow and red cards.

SPX TEAMS IN ACTION VS ST STANISLAUS 2ND AUGUST 2014
This coming Saturday is the final Round of the season with the Senior School teams playing away vs St Augustine’s and the Junior School teams playing at Oxford Falls vs St Augustine’s (Prep teams) and Grammar Edgecliff (U11s).

Please refer to the Senior and Junior School Sport sections of this Woodchatta for details of all matches.

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INVITE TO LAUNCH OF MIKE PENISTONE’S NEW BOOK, THE GLOBAL RUGBY COACH – 12TH AUGUST

Mike Penistone and the SPX Rugby Club would like to invite you to the launch of Mike’s new book, The Global Rugby Coach at the Sarto Centre at 7.30pm on Tuesday 12 August 2014.

Mike has been working with our Rugby players across all age groups at SPX for the last two years as the Rugby Development Officer. For those who have not met Mike, at the least I am sure that you have enjoyed his rugby commentary in the weekly Woodchatta newsletter.

For over 25 years Mike been traversing the globe, coaching rugby and educating coaches. He has met a wide variety of wonderful people across all the major continents, both players and coaches. Last year, Mike decided to put his experiences down in writing.

The result of this effort is Mike’s book, The Global Rugby Coach. Mike wants his book to be an inspiration to future young coaches and to young players. He wants to emphasise to both groups how important it is to be good in the moment. Mike believes having a dream is important, but the attitudes and values you display now will help direct your future, in a world of limitless opportunity.

At the book launch, Mike will share his thoughts and insights on Rugby coaching. This is a great opportunity for all Rugby supporters to learn more about rugby and coaching and celebrate with Mike the launch of his book.

We invite you as parents and supporters of Rugby to join us on this special night. The launch will start at 7:30pm and refreshments will be served at 8:30pm.

KEY DATES IN 2014 FOR SPX RUGBY SUPPORTERS

Please note the following dates in your diaries – more details will be communicated closer to the dates:

- 12 August – Launch of Mike Penistone’s new book, The Global Rugby Coach
- 19 August – Rugby Presentation Night

Liam Ward - SPX Rugby Club - 0417 981827
maildraw@bigpond.com
SPX OLD BOYS ANNUAL DINNER – FRIDAY 5/9/14 – BOOK NOW
The first Friday in September is rapidly approaching. This year we are going to a new venue, The Chatswood Club. Please get on to all your SPX classmates and contacts and pass the word around. Get a year table together!

**SPX OLD BOYS ANNUAL DINNER**

Friday 5th September 2014  
New Venue!

**TICKETS:** $75 ($65 pensioners, ft students & apprentices) includes;

- 6.30pm Pre-dinner drinks
- 7.30pm Dinner - two course meal

**DRESS:** Coat & Tie

**VENUE:** The Chatswood Club  
11 Help St, Chatswood, NSW 2067

**BOOKINGS:** [http://www.trybooking.com/96283](http://www.trybooking.com/96283)

**CONTACT DETAILS:** David Bullard - [president@oldboys.spx.nsw.edu.au](mailto:president@oldboys.spx.nsw.edu.au) - 0407 864 357

This is a great way to catch up and have a drink and a meal with your SPX classmates. Why not get a table together for the night. Is your Brother, your Father or your Uncle an SPX Old Boy? Don't forget to let them know about the Annual Dinner so they can organise a table for their friends.

SPX OLD BOYS COME TO WISH THE 1ST XV LUCK!
Last Saturday we were host to 8 old boys from 1960/61. Kevin Stewart, Capt 1st XV 1961, presented the current 1st XV with their match day jerseys and gave the boys a few words of encouragement. The main theme centred around mateship, as he alluded to the fact that the 8 old boys present were still close mates from their SPX days over 50 years ago.

WARATAHS v CRUSADERS – SUPER RUGBY FINAL
What a game! With an all-time record crowd for Super Rugby, SPX’s own Michael Hooper led the NSW Waratahs to victory in a nail biting, last minute 33-32 victory to claim the Super Rugby Trophy for the first time in Waratahs history.

Michael played his usual lead from the front game and in what has been described as the best Super Rugby final of all time, the Waratahs were able to regain the lead with only seconds remaining on the clock via a 45m penalty kick from Michael Foley.

A golden moment for SPX was when after the game Michael was given an SPX cap by one of his classmates who had come out to cheer the team on and Michael proceeded to wear his SPX cap proudly.

OLD BOYS NEWS
If you have some news for the old boys that you would like included in this section, please let us know at; [info@oldboys.spx.nsw.edu.au](mailto:info@oldboys.spx.nsw.edu.au)

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SPX OLD BOYS RUGBY – BROTHERS RUGBY CLUB SYDNEY

BROTHERS RUGBY – SEASON 2014:

THE WEEKENDS RESULTS:
Good wins to 1st grade, 2nd grade and 3rd Grade at the weekend sees Brothers in finals contention in 4 of our 5 grades and on top of the club championship.

Good luck to all teams this weekend.

It’s not too late to join in, so check the website for details; www.brothersrugby.com.au

David Bullard (’82) – President SPX OBA & Brothers Rugby
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