HOLROYD HIGH ALUMNA CHRIS BATH VISITS SCHOOL

On Tuesday 12th March, we welcomed Chris Bath, Channel 7 News Presenter and 1984 School Captain to the school. Chris spoke to a number of students about their hopes for the future and Holroyd High School was featured on the news program that evening. The students were excited to meet and speak to Chris regarding the importance of their education and their future aspirations.

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WOT OPERA – HOLROYD STUDENTS SHINE AT THE SEYMOUR CENTRE

Holroyd High students have been working very hard over the last month in preparation for their Wot Opera performances at the Seymour Centre. Over the last four Mondays, the team from Opera Australia have come to work with the students as they created their very own opera from start to finish.

The day finally came, and as the bus took off from the front of school, there was an air of excitement and nervousness amongst the students. As soon as we arrived at the venue it was clear that our students had the focus that was required of them to get the most out of the final stages of this process. After a gruelling four hours of rehearsal, Holroyd took to the stage. As the last school to complete their dress rehearsal, we were all blown away by how far they had come and how amazing their performance was!

We were rewarded with the honour of closing the show, and all of us were excited that the crowd would be going home with our catchy and sophisticated songs in their heads. As we waited backstage, the nervous energy grew, but the students remained focused at all times – they were ready!

The performance itself was simply outstanding. From the moment the curtain was raised the students gave their all, and it resulted in an amazing performance that had the crowd highly engaged. As they sang their last song together, with great passion and vigour, the crowd began to clap in unison - it was clear that they were in awe of what our wonderful students had created!

It is important that we acknowledge the work of our students. All members of this cast were fantastic – they put in so much work and were such a pleasure to work with. It was a range of ages and backgrounds,
but all students worked so well to achieve their goals. Taniela Moala and Camille De La Cruz were inspirational as the leads in our opera. They both had the audience in the palm of their hands from the first note that they sang, until the final curtain was lowered. We were blessed to have such special voices on stage. We were also well served by Michael Reyes and Sami Mohieldan in the other lead roles. Their energy and passion were infectious and they continue to grow each day as performers. We were also very lucky to have some dedicated senior students - Maheen, Bianca and Amnie, we can’t thank you enough for your time and leadership during this process.

A massive thanks again to Murray, Dan and Dave from Wot Opera. They are amazing and the students loved every minute that they spent with this awesome team.

What an amazing experience - we can’t wait for next time! Stay tuned for some video from this wonderful day.

Matt Fields and Lisa Fajou
Drama and Music Teacher

Principal’s Report

“This term also saw the successful establishment of two Year 7 support classes in the school”

At the end of a term, it is interesting to look back on what has been achieved in that time, apart from getting to the end of the term. We have had a good start to the school year at Holroyd, with students quickly settling in to the rhythms of work and study. Those rhythms are particularly important for Year 12 students, who have finished the term with their half-yearly examinations. You may ask, “Half yearly exams in April?” The answer is that this is the halfway point for HSC study, which begins in Term 4 of Year 11. Year 12 students now have only two terms before they sit the HSC examinations. Those terms will pass very quickly. Year 11 examinations commence on the first day of Term 2 and Year 10 examinations the following week.

Our swimming trials and the cross-country carnival were held this term and were successful in selecting the teams to represent the school at zone and regional events. The knockout competitions also started in Term 1 for soccer and volleyball. Our teams have been successful so far and have advanced in the competition. The athletics carnival will be held early in Term 2 on 17 May.

This term also saw the successful establishment of two Year 7 support classes in the school. We have welcomed support teachers, Ms Iaconis and Mr. Monaghan, and teachers’ aides, Mrs. Schmitt and Mrs. Bolzonella. Ms Pinder, who works part-time in the school under the National Chaplaincy and Student Welfare program, is also working part-time as a teacher in the support classes.

Ms Barreca returned from study leave this term to teach mathematics and music, but has recently been successful in gaining a full-time music position at Marrickville High School. Ms Barreca will be taking up that position from the beginning of next term. We wish her every success in her new school and in the future.

Sadly, we are also losing our other mathematics/music teacher, Ms Fajou, who has been appointed permanently to Bankstown Senior College from the beginning of next term. Ms Fajou is a very popular young teacher, so will be sorely missed by her students. We wish her every success in her new position and in the future.

I would like to thank both these young teachers for their strong contribution to the life of our school over the last few years. Their knowledge of their subjects and their enthusiasm for music have meant a great deal to our students, most recently in the school’s wonderful Wot Opera production.

Taking part again in Wot Opera was a marvellous opportunity for the students. To be selected, students had to undergo a gruelling round of auditions, and then rise to the challenge of working together to devise their own opera in a scant six weeks. With the help and direction of Wot Opera staff, the students came up with a story and a plot, wrote a script and the music and lyrics, rehearsed and then performed their opera at the Seymour Centre in Sydney. What a lot of acting, singing and dancing talent was revealed! Four
schools performed their operas on the evening to an enthusiastic audience, with Holroyd performing last. This was far and away the best production of the three in which Holroyd has been involved, and was the standout performance of the evening. My congratulations to all the students who took part and my thanks to Mr. Fields, Ms Fajou and Ms Barreca for their support of the students.

Our students take part in a wide range of extra-curricular activities, of which Wot Opera is but one. The question that should be asked about activities of this kind is why we do them. What do students learn from their participation in activities outside the classroom that justifies their being out of class? The first thing I would say is that we expect students to keep up with their class work when they take part in an extra-curricular activity. The activity is extra to the regular school curriculum, not a replacement.

What do they learn? In the case of Wot Opera, the students first had to pass a series of tests, or auditions, in order to be selected. In their preparedness to do that, they demonstrated their commitment to the project. They then had to take on the challenge that was given them: work together to devise a performance that would not let them down. The students had to be very focused and purposeful to achieve that end, and importantly, they had to be sufficiently disciplined to bring the project to the level of public performance in the time available. They had to learn to meet deadlines and they had to learn to be an ensemble.

In fact, these are all key work competencies, and are embedded into the curriculum in Australian schools, not always as effectively as they should be, because young people learn these skills best though meaningful and authentic experience. The competencies are not things you achieve in the abstract, any more than young people learn citizenship through formal lessons. It is the difference between learning and learning about something.

Participation in a challenging activity such as Wot Opera is highly effective learning for the students. What was obvious from the Holroyd performance at the Seymour Centre was that the students had become an ensemble, and that they had worked hard to deliver a polished performance.

Extracurricular activities extend and validate the learning that takes place in the classroom. They are part of a broader curriculum, which aims at the education of the whole person. This isn’t a new concept but it is one that can easily be lost in the current measurement-driven educational climate. It is essential for schools to find the balance between formal learning and informal learning. They both have a place in schooling.

Now, a very special announcement. On behalf of the school, I would like to congratulate Holroyd High School mathematics teacher, Mrs. Amy Birungi, on the award of Doctor of Philosophy in Education from the University of New England. Dr Birungi, who is currently on maternity leave, has completed her doctorate over the last four years.

Dorothy Hoddinott AO FACE
Principal

A number of exciting activities have occurred since our last issue:

- The school Cross Country was held on 19th March with a competitors only run periods 3 & 4 and a fun run for the whole school periods 5 and 6. The Zone Cross Country will be held on Monday 6th May 2013.
- The school hosted the inter-district Student Representative Council meeting on Wednesday 20th March.
- Extremely successful fundraising activities to support “Shave for a Cure” on Wednesday 20th March – see article elsewhere in Spotlights.
- Students from Years 8 and 9 visited Western Plains Zoo at Dubbo as part of the “Endanger Ranger” program on Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd March 2013.
- Wonderful performance by the WotOpera students at the Seymour Centre on Tuesday 26th March.
- Six Year 11 students participated in the UNSW ASPIRE’s “Step Up” leadership program from 3rd – 5th April.
- Day One of the NAB Schools First program was held on Wednesday 10th April and involved all students in Year 10.
- Year 7 have successfully completed the Peer Support program, culminating with a BBQ on Thursday 11th April.
- Completion of Year 12 Half Yearly Examinations.

1. Year 12 Senior Review Process
   Students who have not satisfactorily meet course outcomes for Semester One will be placed on a senior review early in Term 2. Senior students are expected to maintain satisfactory attendance patterns, and have applied themselves with diligence and sustained effort to both formal and informal tasks. The purpose of this is to provide a framework for successful completion of the Higher School Certificate.

2. Year 11 Half Yearly Examinations
   All Year 11 students will be completing formal examinations as part of the preliminary assessment from Wednesday 1st May until Wednesday 8th May inclusive. Students who have not satisfactorily meet course outcomes for Semester One will be placed on a senior review in Term 2. Senior students are expected to maintain satisfactory attendance patterns, and have applied themselves with diligence and sustained effort to both formal and informal tasks.

3. Exam Weeks Years 7 – 10
   The exam weeks for Years 7 – 10 will be Weeks 2, 3, 4 & 5 (7/05/13 until 31/05/13) and students should be following a revision program for these half yearly examinations. There will be no examinations on Monday 6th May, as this is the Zone Cross Country, and Friday 17th May as this is the school’s Athletics Carnival.

4. National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy
   NAPLAN tests for Years 7 and 9 are being held during Week 3. The specific dates and tests for NAP are:
   - NAPLAN: Language Conventions – Tuesday 14th May
   - NAPLAN Reading – Wednesday 15th May
   - NAPLAN Numeracy – Thursday 16th May
   - NAPLAN make up day for missed tests – Friday 17th May.
5. Playground Issues
The school’s playground rules have been designed to ensure a safe environment for all students.

Students are reminded that contact sports and branding games are not allowed at any time or anywhere within the school. The staff car parks, area behind E Block and the front of the school, and behind the gymnasium are out of bounds at all times. Other areas may only be used when a teacher is available to directly supervise students, eg. top oval.

Students are reminded that all rubbish must be placed in the bins provided as we are proud of our school grounds and would like them to be litter free.

6. Uniform
We are pleased to report that a large majority of students are wearing full school uniform and the school looks fantastic. As we are moving into winter, students need to ensure that they have the correct school jumpers, sloppy joes or jackets to wear.

Students are reminded that school scarves and beanies are available for sale from the school. These are the only scarves and beanies that students are allowed to wear as they are part of our school uniform.

If your child is unable to wear full school uniform they must bring a note signed by their parents; before school to the Deputy Principal’s office and obtain a yellow uniform pass. Students who are found during the day without a pass will face disciplinary action for failing to follow the school uniform policy.

5. Coming Events
In Term 2, the following activities may be of interest:

- Zone Cross Country on Monday 6th May, 2013 – good luck to all our runners!
- School Photographs will be taken on Monday 13th May.
- NAPLAN tests for students in Years 7 & 9 on Tuesday 14th May, Wednesday 15th May and Thursday 16th May, 2013.
- School Athletics Carnival on Friday 17th May 2013.

Denise Carrick
Deputy Principal

An eleven week term has come to what seems like a very quick end. This term in the IEC has been noticeable as a term of “revolving doors” with many students enrolling as well as leaving. Our leavers throughout the term have been primarily due to relocations interstate for a variety of reasons.

As usual, it has been a busy term on the excursion front with excursions to the Powerhouse Museum, Taronga Zoo, Bondi and Manly beaches, Katoomba, The Royal Easter Show, a walk across Sydney Harbour Bridge, and a visit to the Australian Museum. Students also participated in a swim school. Photos on these activities can be viewed on the school’s website and the IEC magazine for term one, which is also on the website.

On Wednesday 9th April, many students participated in the Speech Competition which is held in terms one and three each year. Teachers were very impressed with the standard of the speeches and I congratulate all participants for their effort and courage. It is not an easy task to stand before an audience and deliver a speech. This task is made even more difficult when the speech is delivered in a language you are learning. The winners of each division will be announced at the IEC exit assembly on Friday 12th April.

Finally, I would like to congratulate students on their dedication to their studies, compliance with school rules and support of each other. This is evident in the very few negative incidents throughout the term, such as students on after school detention, suspensions and interviews with parents due to students causing concern. The low number of students on after school detentions has generally been for lateness or uniform infringement.

I hope everyone has an enjoyable, safe and relaxing break, ready to come back to school on Wednesday 1st May revitalised for another term of learning.

Javier Sampedro
Deputy Principal
Intensive English Centre

CONGRATULATIONS DR BIRUNGI!

Congratulations to Holroyd High School mathematics teacher, Mrs. Amy Birungi, on the award of Doctor of Philosophy in Education from the University of New England. Dr Birungi, who is currently on maternity leave, has completed her doctorate over the last four years.
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY BREAKFAST AT DARLING HARBOUR

Friday 8th March 2013 was International Women’s Day and our students celebrated by attending the International Women’s Day Breakfast at Darling Harbour. All the students enjoyed the keynote speakers and the chance to share an experience together as part of International Women’s Day.

FORERSON STUDENT, NAJEEBA WAZEFADOST, FINALIST FOR 2013 NSW WOMEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

Presented on the eve of International Women’s Day 2013 at Parliament House, the Women of the Year Awards recognise the many achievements of women across the state.

The Premier’s Award for Woman of the Year recognises inspirational women who have accomplished significant achievements in NSW. This important initiative acknowledges the outstanding work that women are doing in our communities.

Najeeba Wazefadost, former student at Holroyd High, was announced as one of the six finalists for the 2013 NSW Premier’s Woman of the Year Award. Although Najeeba did not win the award, she was a worthy runner-up. Najeeba is an advocate for refugee women; helping them to learn English and develop skills to find employment and assisting young children with education. Najeeba has a Bachelor of Medical Sciences from the University of NSW.

YEAR 6 OPEN DAY

Holroyd High School hosted its year 6 Open Day on Tuesday 12th March 2013. Three hundred Year 6 students, parents and teachers were in attendance.

On the day, Year 6 students, their parents and teachers observed lessons in action, viewed the new gymnasium and took part in a variety of interactive activities presented by our teachers and students.

School Captains John Makuer and Sharen Yuvialis spoke about their leadership roles in the school. Michael Reyes and Pauline Acierda, active Student Representative Council members, spoke on the roles and responsibilities of the Student Representative Council. The speeches given by Rhiannon Skene, Chantelle Hazell and Laura Halcomb on the “highlights of Year 7” captivated the audience.

Taniela Moala and Camille De Cruz performed a hot number called ‘Somebody that I used to know’. All were amazed to hear such talented students.

There were also hands-on activities for students in the following subjects: Science, Drama, Visual Arts, Technology, and Maths.

Vaccinations
Year 7 & 9 Boys only
Wednesday 1st May
Period 1 & 2

CONGRATULATIONS TO AARON NARAYAN ON RECEIVING THE 2013 HOLROYD CITY COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

Former Holroyd High School student and Vice-Captain 2012, Aaron Narayan, has been selected as the recipient of the 2013 Holroyd City Council Scholarship.

Aaron finished his HSC last year and is now studying for his Bachelor of Business and Commerce (Marketing) degree at the University of Western Sydney. We wish Aaron all the best!
The Maths teachers livened up their lessons by including an item or two of music and used the latest technology – the interactive white board. Please check the website for more details on the open day.

Overall it was a very enjoyable day for one and all.

Niru Kumar
Open Day Coordinator / Head Teacher Science

**SCIENCE FACULTY REPORT**

**CSIRO visits Holroyd High School.**

On Thursday the 4th March, a scientist from the CSIRO visited our school to perform some exciting and mind-blowing experiments for Years 7 and 10 students.

The program for Year 7 was called ‘Working Scientifically’. The students designed experiments, measured and collected data and analysed results. Activities included gas collection, dissolving solids, analysing stored energy in Lego cars and investigating if fruits conduct electricity.

Year 10 took part in the ‘Cool Chemistry show’ which dealt with spectacular chemical reactions. Concepts included acid-base reactions, changes of state, catalysts, oxidation, and chemical equilibrium.

The students were intrigued by what they saw and it was a very valuable and enjoyable learning experience.

Niru Kumar
Head Teacher Science

**SRC REPORT**

Thank you to all the staff members and students, who donated towards the World’s Greatest Shave on Wednesday 20th March, 2013.

_We raised $1573!!!_

A big thank you goes out to the teachers and the students who decided to be brave and shave this year. _Mr Zawerucha, Mr Monaghan_ and _Mr Sampedro_ and also to _Miss Rees_ who didn’t shave this year, but did colour her hair instead.

This year _Dominic Scopelliti, Kadir Ozucargil, Ateeq-ur Rahman, Joe Nouh, Tarek El-Ghoche, Ahmed Afshar, Sami Mohieldin, Serkan Aydin_ and _Walid El-Atri_ were also brave enough to shave for this great cause.

We were very fortunate this year to have a number of businesses who offered donations for our S.R.C World’s Greatest Shave BBQ.

Holroyd High School would like to thank all the businesses for their donations this year!!!!

The businesses that donated were:

- Petina Bakery in Merrylands, who donated 16 bags of sliced bread.
- Walli Asr Halal Butchery shop in Merrylands, who donated 200 halal sausages.
- Quigley’s Quality meats in Greystanes, who donated 50 sausages
- Woolworths who donated a $50 gift voucher for all our bbq needs.

Your help and support for this amazing cause was much appreciated. Again thank you to all the staff members that donated, that shaved, coloured and or bought a sausage from the S.R.C BBQ this year!!!

Paula Tohmeh
SRC Co-ordinator
On Thursday 21st March Holroyd High School celebrated Harmony Day. Students and staff were wearing orange ribbons and stickers this is to celebrate Harmony Day.

Harmony Day is a celebration for International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. It is a day of cultural respect, widely celebrated across schools.

The message of Harmony Day is **Everyone Belongs.**

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**SPORT REPORT**

**Holiday program:**


Paula Tohmeh
Sports Co-ordinator

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**SUPPORT CLASSES REPORT**

**Student Voice of students with support needs**

Jain Jie Ooi and Kevin Tran attended the Student Voice Forum 2013 for students with support needs at Beverly Park School on the 26th March. This was a Forum for students with support needs, to come together and meet, discuss issues and find out about activities they can access outside school hours.

The students shared their learning styles, their favorite subjects and completed a survey on how the students would like to be taught. The day concluded with group art session. Both Kevin and Jian Jie enjoyed the day. Jain Jie gave lots of input into the discussion.

Thanks to Mrs. Nancy Schmitt for supporting the students on the day.

**Warren Monaghan**
Support Teacher

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**Easter Show excursion**

The Support had a fabulous day at the Royal Easter Show on 21st March.

The eventful day consisted of a visit to the working dairy, watching the sheep shearing show and visiting the pavilions to see poultry, sheep, goats, pigs, cows, horses and alpacas. On our walk, students came to understand the journey from the farm gate to the dinner plate and were able to interact with a number of agricultural industry displays.

We also visited the food stalls and stopped for taste testing at the cooking show.

To complete the day students enjoyed the fun rides and the chance to purchase their favourite show bag.

**Talia Iaconis**
Support Teacher
SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

On Friday 22 March, five students from Years 11 and 12 were each presented at the Parklands Function Centre in Fairfield with a $2000 scholarship from the Department of Housing. The scholarship program has been running for over five years and is to help families to cover many of the costs associated with studying for the HSC and can be spent on educational items such as computer equipment, text books or tutoring. In their applications the students must demonstrate that they would have to overcome significant hurdles to complete their secondary education and that a scholarship would potentially improve their educational outcomes.

Congratulations to Mohadeseh Jafari, Abdul Ahmadi, Abdul Sharifi, Kadir Ozucargil and Andrew Taufa on receiving this scholarship. We know you will do your best in 2013.

Louise Kleinbergs
Refugee Transition Program Co-ordinator

YEARS 8 REPORT

Selected Year 8 and 9 students attended an overnight camp held at Taronga Zoo, Western Plains, in Dubbo. Students and teachers had a fantastic time. Thank you to all parents and carers for their punctuality at drop off and pick up times. Students enjoyed a great BBQ dinner and got close up to many animals. Students received an education lesson on animals and got to touch some reptiles and a koala. Congratulations on a successful camp, Year 8. Miss Atmali and I look forward to planning another camp with Year 8 students.

It is getting colder now. Students need to be in full school uniform. Parents can purchase school uniform at the school. Term 1 has been an extremely successful term. Have a safe and restful holiday, Year 8. We are looking forward to a fresh start in Term 2.

Shakti Chetty and Nes Atmali
Year 8 Adviser and Assistant Adviser

YEARS 11 REPORT

Can you believe it is already the end of Term 1? Time is flying very fast and never waits for anyone. You have to make best of your time because these school years will never come back.

The majority of students have settled into their chosen subjects by now. Year 11 midyear examinations are round the corner. This is the time now to start your preparation for the examinations. Enjoy your holidays but don’t forget your studies. Your score in the preliminary exams is as important as the HSC. To avoid any sort of N-determination, you are required to show a serious attempt in your exam papers. Please go through your Year 11 guide and assessment booklet to make yourself familiar with the rules and regulations of senior studies. If you need any further information, please feel free to contact us or go to the Board of Studies NSW website. If you need any information about assessment procedures, past papers, sample questions/answers etc. then the following website may be helpful to you:


Abdul Ahmadi, Mohadeseh Jafari & Kadir Ozucargil
Remember the famous quote by “Johann Von Herder.”

“Without inspiration the best powers of the mind remain dormant. There is a fuel in us which needs to be ignited with sparks.”

Anti-bullying follow-up:

As we remind you from time to time in year assemblies or class rooms, it is very important to stay up-to-date with the ever changing policies of social media. You must check your security settings and have to be very careful before you upload anything on Facebook or twitter. Even if you change your mind and want to delete it, the information you uploaded will stay on media servers forever. Your information can be easily used by any unauthorised person for commercial or illegal purposes. Your comments, tags and photos can hinder future employment prospects because the information can be used by any employer to know your character. So be cautious and think before you hit ‘enter’.

Happy holidays and good luck for your midyear exams.

Jatinder Gill
Year 11 Adviser

YEAR 12 REPORT

End of Term and whatever ……..

Hello, Year 12’s. We’re nearly there; by the grace of the heavenly God teacher, the end of Term is here! It’s like climbing a mountain with end of the year tantalizingly close; practically within your grasp. However, like all summits there are a few more hills to climb first.

If you found the last couple of weeks were hard then contemplate on the next few weeks ahead of you. They are going to be harder then you anticipated. But if you manage your tension and anxiety and focus on the macro aspect of Year 12, all that’s left is the trial exam.

Try and reflect on your accomplishments. Have a simple plan by getting a grip of what was hard in Term 1 and projecting on how you can try new ways to make things easier. Identify what you’d like to improve on. Allow me to suggest a few ways;

- need to do more reading
- catching up and revising
- regulate your sleep pattern
- maintain a balanced social life

I have no doubt you can add more to this list.

Did I mention end of term, oh yes, I almost forgot to mention two weeks of holidays.

Two weeks to reflect, revive and survive – never give up, keep climbing to the top.

Bhoopinder Masawan
Year 12 Adviser

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Star Gazing @ Parramatta Park

FREE Family Fun

When: Saturday 20 April 2013
Time: 5.30 pm to 8 pm
Where: Telescopes located on Salter’s Field (in front of the Dairy)

Free talk located at the Parramatta Park Café and Event Centre

What’s new at the cutting edge?

Come along and share the mystery of our place in the universe at Parramatta Park’s popular Star Gazing @ Parramatta Park. There will be up to 30 telescopes provided by members of the amateur astronomical societies who will be there to share their knowledge with you, or you can bring your own telescope and get pointers on its use from fellow enthusiasts.

In addition there will be a talk about what is happening at the “cutting edge” of astronomy in 2013 by the well know astronomer Fred Watson.

What’s happening?

- Talk at the Parramatta Park Café and Event Centre, by Fred Watson seating is limited so be prepared to come early to secure a seat.
- A Planetarium to get a close up look at the universe.

Refreshments are available at the Cafe, and the park will remain open to vehicles until 8.30 pm. Bring a torch, with a red cellophane covering to preserve night vision, and to light your way.

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