



TEMPE HIGH SCHOOL

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TERM 3,
WEEK 4, 2012

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The countdown has commenced for the HSC exams starting with English on Monday 15 October. At this time Trial HSC papers are being returned with students encouraged to make the most of their time in the coming weeks to maximize their chances of a successful HSC. We have stressed the importance of attending everyday as some courses are to be completed with ongoing revision and practice in past papers. Our staff are here to encourage and support our Year 12's and hope they follow the advice given. Stress and coping strategies form an intrinsic part of this preparation along with a healthy diet, sleep, exercise, good organisation and relaxation. A study timetable is essential.

A farewell assembly is to be held for our students on Thursday 20 September commencing at 11.00am. We hope parents can attend.

Important Dates

- 14 August - P & C meeting 7.00pm in Library (*Topic—Going to University*)
- 17 August - Ext. 2 English major work due
- 18 August - HSC Vietnamese Oral exams
- 20 August - HSC Drama major work due
- 22 August - HSC C.A.P.A./T.A.S. Expo in Hall 5.00—7.30pm
- 27 August - HSC Visual Arts major work due

5 September	-	Spring Event:—5.00pm - 9.00pm (<i>A great family evening, performances/art works/refreshments</i>)
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- 8-16 September - History Week
- 10 September - Medieval Day - Year 8
- 10-14 September - Year 11 Preliminary final exams
- 11 September - P & C Meeting, Our School NAPLAN results
- 14 September - Staff and students visit to China
- 17-19 September - Year 11 Crossroads course (compulsory)
- 20 September - Year 12 Graduation
- 21 September - Final day of Term 3

- Term 4** - Years 7-11 students return on **Monday 8 October 2012**
- Year 12 Study vacation

- 15 October - HSC commences
- 26-30 October - Year 10 Work Experience
- 18 December - Annual Prizegiving Presentation Day
- 19 December - Years 7, 8, 9 - Reports and last day
- 19 December - HSC results available
- 20-21 December - Staff professional days

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| Tuesday | 29 January, 2013 | Staff Return |
| Wednesday | 30 January, 2013 | Years 7, 11, 12 return |
| Thursday | 31 January, 2013 | Years 8, 9, 10 return |



CAREERS

Term 3 is a busy time for Year 12.

THE UAC website is now live:

<http://www.uac.edu.au/>

All students have been sent a UAC pin number in the post. This pin number is needed to access the site. **DON'T LOSE YOUR PIN NUMBER**

Students should log into the site when your trials are over and check that all personal and post details are correct. A PROCESSING FEE (\$27.00) is payable by 29 SEPTEMBER 2012.

If you are late the fee jumps to \$120 plus.

YOU DON'T NEED TO ADD PREFERENCES YET.... you can leave these until Term 4 if you like. Students can access the UAC site with your pin number and make changes at any time before your HSC exams. Come and see me to discuss preferences before you enter them or if you need further clarification.

The EDUCATIONAL ACCESS SCHEME is also found at the UAC website

<http://www.uac.edu.au/eas/>

Most institutions that participate through the Universities Admission Centre (UAC) have an Educational Access Scheme for applicants who've experienced long-term educational disadvantage due to circumstances beyond their control or choosing, which has seriously affected their educational performance. A long-term educational disadvantage should normally be experienced for a period of at least six months.

If you think you're eligible, read the FAQ (FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS) and come to see me.

The application must be in by 28 September 2012

I am going on some leave before that date, so I will be sending them in around 4 September. That means that you only have about a month or so to get your application in order.

EQUITY SCHOLARSHIPS are also available via the UAC website.

<http://www.uac.edu.au/equity/>

Equity Scholarships assist financially disadvantaged students with the costs associated with higher education.

Equity Scholarships through UAC comprise:

- **Commonwealth Scholarships (CS)** for Indigenous students funded by the Australian Government
- **Institution Equity Scholarships (IES)** funded by individual institutions, or by donations or

sponsorship

UAC provides a centralised service, via ES Online, for Equity Scholarships available for Semester 1, 2013

By submitting your ES Online application you'll be considered for those Equity Scholarships for which you're eligible at Institutions at which you're enrolled and/or to which you receive an offer of admission.

COME AND SEE ME FOR CLARIFICATION**READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN ON THE WEBSITE AND ALSO YOUR UAC GUIDE****UNIVERSITY OPEN DAY DATES**

UTS : Open Day—City Campus
Date : Saturday 25 August 2012
Time : 9.00am—4.00pm
Location : UTS City Campus

UTS : Open Day—Kuring-gai Campus
Date : Saturday 1 September 2012
Date : 12noon—4.00pm
Location : UTS Kuring-gai Campus, Eton Road, Lindfield

ACU
Date : 1 September 2012 (North Sydney)
Date : 8 September 2012 (Strathfield)

Macquarie University
Date : 8 September 2012

University of Sydney (USYD)
Date : 25 August 2012

University of Western Sydney (UWS)
Date : 26 August 2012

Finally, I will be on leave for the last two weeks of Term 3. Mr Tsounakas will be replacing me during that time. Students should direct their enquiries to him. I will return in Term 4.

My email is:

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Shane Fawcett
Careers Advisor

SCIENCE FACULTY

ENGINEERS WITHOUT BORDERS INCURSION

High School Outreach Program run by Engineers without Borders (EWB)

The High School Outreach Program is one that aims to raise awareness of the need for sustainable development and appropriate technology amongst high school students and teachers. This was done by an interactive workshop that consisted of a Powerpoint presentation and an activity.

Students in Year 9 had the opportunity to attend an incursion run by EWB on the 19th July 2012 at the school. Students had to design a "Prosthetic leg" from pipes, metal tubes, ropes etc. The presentation introduced the students to the concept of a "Biomedical engineer" and what they would do in developed vs. developing countries. Students thoroughly enjoyed the activity. Through interactive learning, EWB hopes to inspire and motivate students to explore issues such as global sustainability, human development and appropriate technology.

The EWB visit was also an opportunity for students to engage with University students studying engineering and/or professional engineers. They were able to ask questions about engineering studies, career prospects in engineering, role of engineering in poverty eradication and more.

Ms A Abraham, Science Teacher



SPRING CONCERT

Our Spring Concert is on **Wednesday 5 Sept 5pm-9pm**. Tickets \$20 for family, \$10 adults or \$5 students. Tickets on sale at the door!

We have great raffle prizes for our 2012 Spring Concert. Prizes include overnight accommodation and breakfast for 2 at Novotel Brighton Beach, A weekend away on the beach, Adora chocolates, Bunnings vouchers, Lasar Siege vouchers, jewellery and artwork donated by our very own teachers. For the first time we will also run a Silent Auction and you will be able to bid on items at the Spring Concert 5 Sept 2012. A list of all items in the raffle and silent auction will be available soon.

This week your children will be given 5 raffle tickets at \$1.00 each and we could like you to sell them or buy them yourself. If everyone is able to return \$5 we will raise thousands of dollars.

Please return tickets and money to the school office by Monday 3 September.

All monies raised will go to improving facilities for our students.

Please support this initiative!

Thank you

Tanya Burrows
Tempe High School P&C President
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SCHOOL COUNSELLOR

Head Space is a community centre that provides help for a range of health issues:

- Youth-friendly, community-based health service for young people 12-25 and their families
- A place where young people can receive help for health, education, work, mental health and alcohol and other drug issues
- Staffed by a range of workers including doctors/ GP's, psychiatrists, mental health workers (psychologists, social workers, occupational therapists, nurses) and other workers (youth workers and alcohol and other drug workers, vocational) who have specific expertise in working with young people
- A confidential low cost or free service dependent on situation
- A locally run initiative established by organisations that understand your community
- A place where young people and families are encouraged to come involved

Central Sydney Headspace
Level 2
97 Church Street
CAMPERDOWN NSW 2050

Tel. No.: 9114 4100

Opening hours:
Monday-Friday 9.00am—5.00pm

In crisis, please try following services:

Mental Health Helpline 1800 011 511

Kids Helpline 1800 551 800

www.eheadspace.org.au

Ms W Griffiths—School Counsellor,
 Registered Psychologist



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 National Youth Mental Health Foundation

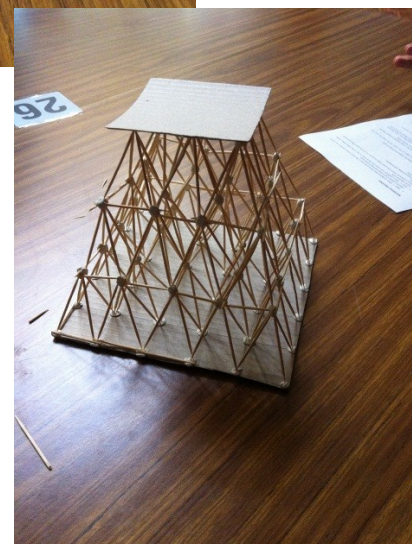
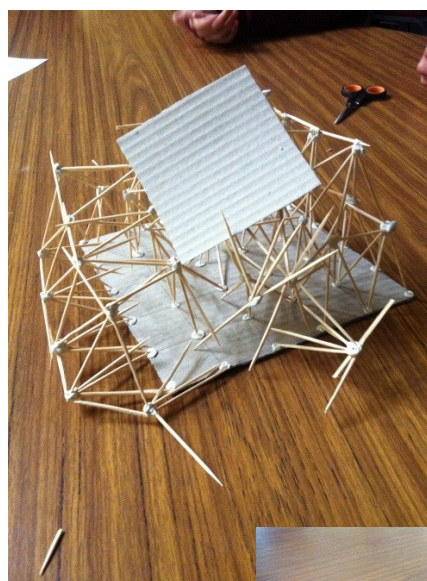
**TAS FACULTY**

Mr J Jennings and I took 23 Year 11 Engineering Studies and Physics students to participate in the Great Engineering Challenge. Approximately 200 students from a diverse range of schools—Public, Private, Religious, rural and city—participated. Students were grouped in no more than 4 per team to represent their school. There were 3 challenges presented to the teams during the day—'car crash', 'tower' & 'catapult'. Each team were given a package of materials to develop a solution to each challenge. Their solutions were tested under controlled conditions and were rewarded points according to clear and simple criteria. One of our team (Justin Lin, Kim Pham, Ivan Bai, Stanley Ruan) came third in the tower challenge and another one of our teams (Tom Shu, Kelvin Wang, Phil Hwangbo & Andrew Su) came third overall.

Congratulations to all of our students; for their enthusiasm, teamwork and participation. As always, they were exemplary ambassadors for our school.

It was also a win on the day for Public Schools securing the top three spots overall on the day.

Mr P Shaw—Head Teacher TAS





HSC-EXPO CAPA FACULTY

Visual Art Exhibition
Music Performances
Drama Performances



Wednesday 22 August 2012
5.00—7.30pm

TEMPE HIGH SCHOOL (HALL)

P & C SPRING EVENT

CAPA

Wednesday, 5 September, 2012
5.00pm—9.00pm

**VISUAL ARTS, DESIGN, MUSIC
DANCE & DRAMA**

\$20 per Family

\$10 per Adult

\$ 5 per Child

Supper included

tickets on sale at the door
concert starts at 6pm.

Raffle/Silent Auction

LIBRARY

The Library – a more inviting place

Recent visitors to our school library would have noticed a big change in the layout of the library.

Renovations began during the Easter holidays. The partition walls of the old senior study room were removed and used to extend the Library office and workroom. The library workroom was converted into a new senior study. We have also bought new tables, some coffee tables, ottomans and bean bags.

With the new layout and a lovely, light coat of paint on the old brickwork, the library has become a much brighter, more spacious and attractive learning environment. Staff and student comments on the changes have all been very positive.

“It has really opened up the space,” teachers have observed.

“It has become a more inviting place to come and read or study,” one student said.

“The library is a relaxing, peaceful place,” another commented.

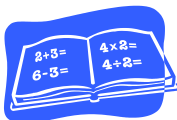
Ms K Salisbury—Librarian



Maths Monkey's Quest

The award-winning parent resource School A to Z has released a new maths game app. Maths Monkey's Quest is a fun and interactive game designed to help sharpen your child's maths skills. The game—suitable for students in Years 3-8—features maths questions on topics ranging from addition and subtraction to ratios and percentages. Go to:

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/about/mobile-applications/maths-monkey-s-quest>

**Join your local sporting club**

A new Australia-wide campaign has been launched to encourage people to join their local sporting club. Play for life ... join a sporting club urges all of us to get physically active and enjoy the benefits of good health. To find a sporting club in your local area go to:

<http://www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/gatewaytosport/>

**Tips on how to host a safe party**

A new website provides tips and information on how you can host a safe party for your teen. If your child is having a party or a birthday celebration anywhere in NSW you can register it through the mynite website, an initiative of the NSW Police Force. The site also provides a basic summary on laws, such as graffiti, driving and cybercrime. Go to:

<http://www.mynite.com.au/index.php>

**Information on Babysitting**

Babysitting is the most common job undertaken by 12-15 year olds in NSW with 21% working as babysitters.

The NSW commission for Children and Young People has developed a set of resources for teens who are working as babysitters and for parents engaging the services of a babysitter.




To find out more and download factsheets go to:

<http://kids.nsw.gov.au/kids/kidzone/resources/babysitting.cfm#ixzz20TwSRDNo>



School Zone Parking Offences

Penalties that apply to illegal parking on all roads in School Zones – from 1 July 2012

	<p>No Stopping Means that under no circumstances are you permitted to stop on a length of road to which a No Stopping sign applies. Aus Road Rule - 167</p>	<p>Penalty \$298 + 2 demerit points</p>
	<p>No Parking Means that you have no more than 2 minutes for drop-offs or pick-ups and must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle. ARR - 168(1)</p>	<p>Penalty \$165 + 2 demerit points</p>
	<p>Bus Zone Means that you must not stop your vehicle in the indicated zone unless you are driving a public bus. ARR - 183(1)</p>	<p>Penalty \$298 + 2 demerit points</p>

Help keep our kids safe!

Obey these parking signs at all times.

When it comes to child safety, Marrickville Council makes no apologies for fining drivers who break the law around schools. If you are caught endangering a child by parking illegally in a school zone you will be fined.



Please note: fines are subject to change without notice. Penalties apply to offences in school zones during posted school hours on gazetted school days.



This summer we're looking for the next generation of bowlers, batters and catchers. There's lots of ways you can get involved in cricket with your local club, association or indoor centre.

Sign up now with your local club or find out more at...

playcricket.com.au



Ages 6-16 (boys and girls)

Learn the basic skills of tball and baseball including hitting, throwing, catching and base running.

10am-1pm, Sat 28th July

10am-1pm, Sat 4th August

Perry Park, Corner of Maddox St and Bourke Rd, Alexandria