PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Year 7 has been working with equal amounts of enthusiasm and energy on their “horror” movie projects. This is due to culminate in the Year 7 Movie festival tomorrow night. To help celebrate the SRC has combined the day with a Halloween themed mufti day to raise funds for their planned projects. If your son is in Year 7 we hope that you are able to attend the screening of their movies tomorrow evening. It should be a fun night of schlock horror that celebrates and showcases the boys’ learning.

Congratulations to the Year 8 Theatresports team who did very well last week in the first round of their Competition at Newington College. We are hosting the next round of this competition next Friday night in our school hall. Please feel free to come along if you have the opportunity.

Dwayne Hopwood
Principal
Whooping cough information for schools

There is an outbreak of whooping cough (pertussis) in NSW, mainly affecting school-aged children.

Coughing spreads the infection to others nearby. Whooping cough can spread to anyone at home, including younger brothers and sisters. Whooping cough can be especially dangerous for babies.

Whooping cough starts like a cold and progresses to bouts of coughing that can last for many weeks. The infection can occur even in fully-vaccinated children. Older children may just have a cough that is persistent and may be worse at night.

• Children with these symptoms should see a doctor.
• If your doctor diagnoses whooping cough in your school-aged child, please let the school know and keep your child at home until they have taken 5 days of antibiotics. Keep coughing children away from babies.
• Whooping cough vaccines give good protection against infection but immunity fades with time. Check that all your children are up to date with their vaccines, due at 6 weeks, 4 months, 6 months, 4 years and 12 years of age (offered to all Year 7 students through the NSW school-based vaccination program). A booster is also recommended at 18 months of age.

A booster dose of vaccine is also recommended for adults that are in contact with young children, such as school staff and parents. Pregnant women are recommended to have a booster dose during each pregnancy and this is funded by NSW Health. Those who are new parents or carers of babies should consult their general practitioner about appropriate immunisation.

Your local public health unit can provide advice about whooping cough on 1300 066 055 or visit the NSW Health website for information for childcare and schools about whooping cough.
Theatresports Report

Heat 1 of the Year 8 Theatresports competition took place on Friday 23rd October at Newington College, Stanmore. Eight teams competed from a variety of school settings; state, independent, private and also a home school team. Our team, comprising of Vincent Li, Edwin French Jenkins, Travis Campbell, William Devine and Francesco Buda competed valiantly. The audience was impressed by their imaginative ideas, team work and their ability to take risks with their performances. Overall, they had fun and gained skills from the experience. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Whitting for her work with the team and her dedication in introducing Theatresports as an extra-curricular activity. Also, thanks to the supportive parents who attended the evening and to George Brooks from the Year 9 team who also attended to give his support. The next round of the Competition takes place on Friday 6th November, starting at 7pm at Ashfield Boys High School. Tickets cost $10 for adults and $5 child/student. Please come along and support the team and enjoy a great night of improvised theatre.

Tracy Small
HT CAPA

Conduction Experiment in Year 8 Science

This Term 8B has been doing a variety of experiments in Science class. For example on Thursday we were doing a conduction experiment. The aim of the experiment was to see which metal takes the longest to melt a wax drop using a Bunsen burner.

We enjoyed burning things!

8 Barbados
The P&C would like to involve the school community about ideas for fundraising so we can assess what we could do next year in order to raise money for the school and its community.

A survey has been organized and we would be grateful if you could complete it by the 20th November so we could prepare the results for our next meeting on Mon 23rd November. It should only take a few minutes to fill out.

Please go to this link https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ABHS_PANDC

If you have any questions don't hesitate to contact the P&C on abhs_pandc@hotmail.com

Thanks in advance

Louise Brooks
P&C President

NSW Schools Vaccination Program-Round 3 Monday 9th November 2015

A reminder to parents about the continuing Vaccinations Program.

Year 7 students will be having the third (and final) vaccination on Monday 9th November during Periods 1 and 2. The vaccination is for the Human Papillomavirus (HPV).

Representatives from the NSW School Vaccination Program will attend Ashfield Boys High School from 8.30-10.30am.

If you have any questions, please call Ms Brown during school hours on 97986620 (Extension 120).

Ms Brown
Head Teacher Welfare (Relieving)
ABHS Halloween Horror!!!

Once again the students of the SRC are hoping to raise funds to help build and maintain new facilities for students around the school grounds.

The SRC ask for you and your sons’ support in making new and innovative changes to the current facilities around the school.

The Halloween Horror dress up will be combined with a sausage sizzle at lunch.

**When:** Friday 30th October

**Theme:** Horror

**Cost:**
- $2/student
- $3/teacher

- There will be Horror face painting at Recess in the Year 7 Quad Area – (Cost for this is $1)
- There will also be Drinks and a Sausage sizzle at Lunch in the Year7 Quad Area:
  1. Drinks $2.00
  2. Sausage sizzle $2.50
  3. Zooper Doopers $1.00

**COMBO:** $4.00

If you wish for your son to participate, please be aware of the following:

- It is important that students wear appropriate enclosed and safe footwear. If they have a practical subject they must have shoes and clothes that comply with WHS safety legislation
- Students must come dressed in clothing appropriate for a school setting. Clothes must not contain slogans or language inappropriate for school
- The day is a NORMAL school day and every student should come to school fully prepared for every lesson on his timetable.
If a student attends school wearing clothing that is not appropriate, his parents will be contacted to deliver his school uniform.

Participation entails a minimum of a $2 gold coin donation.

Thanks from SRC

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**YEAR 7 MOVIE FESTIVAL - 2 MINUTES OF HORROR**

Dear Year 7 Parents & Guardians

You are kindly invited to the Ashfield Boys’ High School iMovie Festival hosted by Year 7 students. Throughout the term, all Year 7 teams have been creating, collaborating and producing short films based on their study of the genre of ‘horror’ in their English class. This is an opportunity for all the students to celebrate with their family and friends all their hard work on a fun filled night with popcorn, ice cream and cold drinks.

**WHEN:** Friday 30th October 2015

6.30 - 8.00pm

**WHERE:** ABHS Hall

**DRESS:** In your Halloween best if you wish

**COST:** Gold coin donation

**BYO bean bag, cushion, blanket**

A letter has been sent home with each Year 7 student. It would be appreciated if you could fill in the RSVP on that note and return it to school by Wednesday 28th October.
## 4th November - Grade Sport Organisation - Round 9

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### Additional Information:
- **Futsal – Olympic Park Sports Centre** booking times:
  - 29 July
  - 2, 9 September
  - 7, 14, 21, 28 October
  - 11, 18, 25 November

- **Badminton - Olympic Park Sports Hall** booking times:
  - 29 July
  - 5, 12, 19, 26 August
  - 2, 9, 16 September
  - 7, 14, 21, 28 October
  - 4, 11, 18, 25 November

- **Table Tennis - Olympic Park Sports Hall** booking times:
  - 29 July
  - 2, 16 September
  - 5, 12, 19, 26 August
  - 7, 14, 21, 28 October
  - 4, 11, 18, 25 November

- **Badminton - Olympic Park NSW Netball**
  - **Unavailable dates:**
    - 29 July – 19 August (Netball World Cup)