TERM 1 WEEK 7 2015
The next three weeks for your diary

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|                   |        | • Year 11 English Fundamentals Assessment P7 & 8  
|                   |        | • Bushcare (Yr 9 P3 & 4)  
|                   |        | • Yr 7 Camp | • Yr 12 Half Yearly Exams  
|                   |        | • Yr 9 Social Skills Program P1-4  
|                   |        | • Yr 7 Camp | • Selective High School Test |
| Week 8 16-20 March | • Yr 12 Half Yearly Exams  
|                   | • Yr 7 & 10 Peer Support P3 & 4 | • Yr 12 Half Yearly Exams  
|                   |        | • Regional Swimming Carnival | • | • Yr 7 & 10 Peer Support P6 in Hall |
| Week 9 23-27 March | • P&C Meeting - 7.00pm | • Yr 9 Bushcare 9 P3 & 4 | • Yr 11 Maths Assessment P1 & 2 | • | • State Swimming  
|                   |       |        |          |        | • Yr 11 Biology/S Science Excursion TBA |

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

Tuesday night was our open night and we had a huge turnout for the evening with almost 400 people attending. It was great to see such an increase in interest in the school from our local feeder primary schools of Ashfield, Summer Hill, Dobroyd Point, Ashbury and Haberfield.

Thanks so much to everyone who helped out on the night to make it such a success. As always, the boys were a credit to you. Special thanks to all the parents who helped their sons attend by providing a parent taxi service. Could I also especially acknowledge the parents who attended on the night and volunteered their time to speak with prospective parents. This proved very popular and was greatly appreciated by all who came.

Last week’s Clean up Australia campaign was a great volunteering effort and it was impressive to see how many Year 9 boys willingly took part. Besides showing a commitment to improving the environment the volunteering effort also demonstrated to the community the willingness of the boys to give their time for a worthy activity. It was great to receive a call from a member of the public congratulating the boys for their strong sense of community spirit and impeccable manners. Thanks to all the Year 9 boys who took part as well as Mrs El-Rakshy and the Science teachers who organised the event.

At the end of this edition of Ashtag I have included a copy of the Ashfield East Planning Proposal that was sent to me by Ashfield Council. I encourage you to have a look at the proposal which is currently available for public comment. The proposal changes the land zoning opposite West’s Leagues and adjacent to our school site allowing for increased density and building

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heights. I will submit a response on behalf of the school and have forwarded a copy to the P&C for discussion at their next meeting.

P&C Meeting
Could you please note that the date for the next P&C Meeting is the 23rd March. The usual time for meetings is Week 8. This was changed for this term to accommodate the welcome BBQ held for new parents to the school. The P&C is also looking for a qualified auditor to audit the association’s finances. If you are able to provide this service could you please make contact with the P&C president, Louise Brooks at abhs_pandc@hotmail.com.

Dwayne Hopwood
Principal

Duke of Edinburgh

Which program offers young people the chance to make a committed personal challenge to reach their potential? The challenge can be continued over many years and comprises four sections: volunteering, skill, physical recreation and adventurous journeys.

It’s The Duke of Edinburgh’s Award and it’s been running for more than 50 years in Australia and operates in more than 140 countries.

Open to anyone between the ages of 14 and 25, ‘The Duke of Ed’, as it’s known, is an enrichment program designed to bring out the best in young people who want to challenge themselves.

Participants grow personally and connect with others through a range of new experiences. They also have the chance to discover their potential.

The Duke of Edinburgh offers students the opportunity for to work with others while focusing on their own unique abilities and interests within an internationally recognised framework.

Last November, HRH Prince Edward, the patron for the Duke of Edinburgh program visited Ashfield Boys to promote the program and its benefits for young people.

If your son is interested in joining the Duke of Edinburgh program for 2015 please see Mr Steve McKenzie or Mr Derek Chu for registration information by the end of March.
Clean Up Australia Day!

This year Ashfield Boys High School participated in Clean up Australia Day 2015. Year 9 students were selected to represent our school in the Ashfield community on Friday 27th February. Participating in Clean up Australia day has given the boys an opportunity to contribute to our local community and show that they are active and responsible members of our school and citizens of Australia.

ABHS Year 9 took to the streets of Ashfield and parks in the following areas:
- Ashfield Park
- Ashfield train station car park
- Pratten Park
- Outdoor areas of Ashfield Mall
- The Ashfield Civic Centre

In 2015, Clean up Australia is celebrating 25 years of volunteer action across Australia. Last year, thanks to an estimated 572,406 volunteers, 15,708 tonnes of rubbish was cleaned up at 7,140 sites across Australia. For more information about Clean up Australia Day, visit [http://www.cleanup.org.au/au/](http://www.cleanup.org.au/au/)

Clean up Australia Day has provided an opportunity to broaden the links between Ashfield Boys High School and Ashfield Community. The active and enthusiastic participation of ABHS Year 9 boys on this day, inspired a member of the local community to show gratitude through a generous donation to the school.

Thanks to the Year 9 students of ABHS – as they made this a very successful event and we hope to run this again next year!

Raheela El – Rakshy (Head Teacher Science)
### 2015 Winter Season-Wet Weather Assemble Point

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**What is Pi day? What is so significant about Pi day this year?**

- **What is Pi?** … NOT the pie that you eat!!
- The Pi questioned here is represented by the symbol \( \pi \).
- \( \pi \) (\( 3.14159265358979223846 \ldots \))
- \( \pi \) is an irrational number found by dividing the circumference of any circle by its diameter.
- Every year on March 14th keen Mathematicians celebrate Pi day, as the date is 3.14 (MDD – American): the first 3 significant figures (digits) of \( \pi \).
- **What is so significant about Pi day this year?**
  - Every 100 years there is an extra special “Pi second” and this year is the year!
  - On the morning of March 14th the date and time will be 3/14/15 9:26:33 which represents the first 10 significant figures of \( \pi \).
  - Pi day this year falls on a Saturday, and next week the week leading up to Pi day the Mathematics faculty will hold a competition to see which of the students can recite the most digits of Pi.
  - One student in Year 11 can recite 21 digits … who can beat this?

Who will reign supreme?

A little more on the reciting of Pi, … a neuroscientist named Andy Slyusarchuk claims to have memorised 30 million digits of Pi!
- To date no one has been able to catch him out by asking him to recite random segments, but it would take 367 days without sleep to recite all 30 million digits at a rate of 1 digit per second.
- A lot of maths in this article, hope it was not too technical for some.

Ms C Church – Mathematics Faculty

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Dear Parents/Caregivers

The SRC at Ashfield Boys High School would like to encourage you and your son’s participation in The World’s Greatest Shave. A note has been given to your son with instructions for those who wish to join the Ashfield Boys High School team in raising funds for this worthy cause.

The SRC will also be holding a Funky Hair Day next Friday, 13th March. The SRC will provide temporary hair colour for students to participate, with a gold coin donation per colour. All funds raised will be donated to the Worlds Greatest Shave. The colours are temporary and will wash off.

Two years ago the school raised $2000. With you and your sons help we wish to raise even more this year.

Thank you,
Derek Chu
Acting SRC Co-ordinator
Skateboarding Basics
Summer Hill

Skateboarding 101 – 3 week course

Ever tried skating? Wanna learn?
Come along to these FREE workshops and learn the basics of board stance, rolling and pumping, tic-tac, braking, cities, and more.

Workshops to get you started
Wednesdays
4–6 pm
Summer Hill Skate Park

FREE

Bookings essential as spaces are limited
Call 9716 1843 or email: tiffany@ashfield.nsw.gov.au

In the event of bad weather workshops will be postponed.

This course is for beginners. Helmets & skateboards provided.

For 12–24 year olds who live, study, work or volunteer in Ashfield Local Government Area.
THE PRINCIPAL
ASHFIELD BOYS HIGH SCHOOL
117-119 LIVERPOOL ROAD
ASHFIELD NSW 2130

"ASHFIELD EAST" PLANNING PROPOSAL ON EXHIBITION

Council previously carried out preliminary public exhibition of a Planning Proposal for the following properties:

2-5 Victoria Street, Ashfield, 12A-127 Carlton Crescent, Summer Hill
90-108 Liverpool Road, Ashfield & 1-3 Prospect Road, Summer Hill

Following a preliminary public exhibition process a comprehensive report was considered by Council in December 2014. Council subsequently resolved to forward the Proposal to the State Government (Department of Planning & Environment) requesting approval to proceed to statutory exhibition. This approval was recently granted and Council is now formally exhibiting the Planning Proposal for public comment. The Proposal will amend Ashfield Local Environmental Plan 2013 in the following manner:

1. Land Use Zoning:
- Change "R2 Low Density Residential Zoning" to B4 - Mixed Use (Residential/Business) Zoning

2. Maximum permitted floor space ratio (FSR):
- Increase FSR from 0.7:1 to 1:5:1

3. Maximum permitted building height:
- Increase building height from 9.5 metres to 29 metres

If proceeded with, the Proposal will allow buildings up to 5 storeys in height to be erected. These buildings may be entirely commercial or may have lower floor commercial space and residential apartments above. Apartment development without business uses is also possible. A Draft Interim Development Assessment Policy is being exhibited concurrently with the Proposal with guidelines for future development if rezoning takes place.

An “Open House” session which anyone can attend to view documents and discuss the Planning Proposal with Council’s Town Planners will be held at the Council Administration Building, Ground Floor Meeting Rooms, 250 Liverpool Road, Ashfield on Thursday 12 March 2015 from 6 pm - 7.30 pm.

Details of the Planning Proposal and Draft Interim Development Assessment Policy can also be viewed at:

- Council’s Customer Service Centre, 260 Liverpool Road, Ashfield - from 8.30am - 5.00pm Monday to Friday.
- Council’s Council Website: www.ashfield.nsw.gov.au
- Ashfield Library - 260 Liverpool Road, Ashfield – during library opening hours.
- Weeks Ashfield – 113-115 Liverpool Road, Ashfield (reference folder placed in Club entrance foyer) during Club opening hours.

You can make a submission by writing to Council, addressed to: General Manager PO Box 1145 Ashfield NSW 2131 or send an Email to info@ashfield.nsw.gov.au. Please title all correspondence “Ashfield East Planning Proposal - File reference 5C1980”. It is important to note that any submissions received will be available to view via Ashfield Council’s website and in future Council business papers. You can also contact Council’s Strategic Town Planners directly on T. 9716 1963. Submissions will need to reach Council by Friday 27 March 2015.

Following conclusion of the current exhibition Council will consider a report and decide whether to continue to progress the Planning Proposal. You will be advised in writing of the meeting if you make a submission.

Yours faithfully - Ron Sim - Manager - Strategic Planning

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MAP OF ASHFIELD EAST PLANNING PROPOSAL

Showing affected properties (within heavy black dashed line)