

# Arthur Phillip High School Newsletter

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## STEM Challenge A 2019

By Mrs. S. Sharp

Parramatta Public School and Arthur Phillip High School are going up in more ways than one! As well as looking forward to our new vertical schools, Years 6 and 7 spent Tuesday 28th May researching and designing vertical gardens as part of the PPS/APHS STEM Challenge. Students discussed why it's important to understand where our food comes from, brainstormed and evaluated design ideas and learned about what plants need to grow successfully. Each student took home seedlings to test their ideas about what plants need to grow.

We look forward to hearing about the results of their experiment and to meeting up at the next STEM Challenge Day to put our ideas into practice and build our vertical gardens!



## Upcoming Events

- 18 June Year 8 Subject Selection Roadshow period 4
- 20 June Stage 5 Thinkers Excursion
- 19 June White Card Training
- 20 June Yr 7 Parent Literacy & Numeracy Workshops 5pm
- 21 June Year 12 Study Skills



*At APHS we Strive*





## APHS Athletics Carnival 2019

A big congratulations and thank you to Ms Chidiac and the PE faculty on last Friday's Athletics Carnival. The level of participation by our students was sensational and the positive vibe that surrounded the event was really quite palpable and indicated that there is strong school spirit at APHS, as well as amazing sporting talent. There were school records broken with Samuel Conteh in Year 10, having the whole school mesmerised as he obliterated the school high jump record. In fact he managed to easily clear the height that equated to Ms McKenzie, Ms Ford and Mrs Marsh, he was amazing.

Special thanks also to all the staff who enthusiastically supported and supervised our students during the carnival and of course I need to mention the Social Science faculty who organised and ran the BBQ throughout the day – it was clearly a big winner with staff and students alike.

When you attend events like our Athletic Carnival it certainly makes me proud to be a public school teacher - as the event was all about the students and them having fun and enjoying physical activity outdoors. It was about allowing all of our young people to demonstrate their sporting skill and prowess in a supportive and inclusive environment. Congratulations to all students who participated and good luck to all those who will now move onto the Zone Carnival to represent our school.



Some of our athletic stars in action



The wonderful Social Science Faculty serving the hungry masses





# ARTHUR PHILLIP HIGH SCHOOL

## “STRIVE CHART”

### EXCLUSIONS



As a student at Arthur Phillip High School you are responsible for your own learning and behaviour. In order for you to be allowed to attend extra curricular activities, excursions and represent our school at sporting and cultural events you must meet, the expectations outlined below:

1. **Attend and participate in all lessons and all school activities.**  
Students with **unjustified absences** that has resulted in an attendance record below **75%** in a term, OR who have attained **8 or more** unexplained lateness to school in a term, will NOT be able to participate.
2. **Wear the school uniform in accordance with the uniform code on all school occasions.**  
Students who have in a term accumulated **3 or more** records of uniform infractions, will NOT be able to participate.
3. **Treat all students, staff and members of the Arthur Phillip High School community with respect.**  
Students who have accumulated **8 or more minor negative incidents** and/or **1 major negative incident** in a term, will NOT be able to participate.
4. **Follow the school’s Positive Behaviour for Learning and STRIVE Values at all times**  
Ensure all behaviour enhances a positive classroom and playground climate and does not interfere with the learning of others. Students who have managed to acquire **3 or more** technology breaches in a term, will NOT be able to participate.
5. **Accept responsibility for your own learning and with the support of teachers complete all class and assessment tasks with diligence and sustained effort.**  
Students with more than **2 or more** unresolved course warnings in a term will NOT be able to participate.

**Each Stage Team will monitor closely the behaviour and work ethic of students in their stage throughout the year.**

**If there is sufficient evidence that you have not met one or more of these baseline expectations you will NOT be allowed to attend excursions, extra curricular activities, and represent the school at sporting and cultural events.**

**Your behaviour and effort throughout the year will determine whether you are eligible for the range of opportunities that the school offers its students.**

**It is important that you try to embody the school’s STRIVE values in all aspects of your school life.**

# Year 7-11 Parent Teacher Evening

On Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, starting from 4.00 -7.00pm, on the Main Campus we will be holding the Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 Parent Teacher Evening. All parents are encouraged to attend and discuss their child’s progress with their teachers. **Semester 1 reports will be available for collection**, as will also a number of Commendations and Principals awards, that students have earned over the past 2 terms.

Ms. Duric and Ms. Claus will be doing a presentation for all Year 10 students and their parents about Stage 6. This presentation will include:

- HSC Subject requirements
- Year 10 minimum standards
- HSC Timeframes

There will also be an opportunity for parents to ask questions about Year 11 subject selections. On Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July all Year 10 will be given access to their Subject Selection books and be provided with a roadshow for them to meet with teachers from various subjects to discuss what different subjects are, the skills and



HSC 2022



# Year 8 Subject Selection Roadshow

The Year 8 Subject Selection Roadshow will take place on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June in period 4 at the Eastern Campus. The six year 8 classes will rotate through a series of presentations from the CAPA (Visual Art, Music, Photography, Drama and Dance), TAS (Timber, Engineering, Graphics, Food Technology, Metal, Textiles and Design and ICT), History (LOTE) and Social Science (Commerce and Legal Studies) faculties.

The presentations will include: descriptions of the course (including the skills and content), fees associated with the various courses and evidence of what students have gained from undertaking these elective subjects in the past. Each presentation will be available for students to review later with family and friends on Connect 121.

If parents have any questions relating to their child’s elective choices for Stage 5 2020 they are encouraged to contact the Year 8 Advisers: Mr. Waugh (History faculty) and Ms Coco (English faculty).



## EVERY MINUTE COUNTS....

Your child's best learning time is at the beginning of the day.....

When your child misses just.....	that equals...	which is....	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is.....
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> weeks per year	Nearly <sup>1</sup> / <sub>6</sub> a year of school
20 minutes a day	1 hour and 40 minutes of learning a week	Nearly 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
<sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> hour a day	<sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> a day of learning a week	4 weeks a year	Nearly 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> years of learning
1 hour each day	1 whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a term a year	Over 2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> years of learning

School starts at: **8:30am**

**BE ON TIME**