Our journey started off on Friday 30th May, at Mt Kuring-gai station, led by Mr Murphy and Mr Broome. We went down Harwood Avenue until we reached the Mt Kuring-gai walking track. This steep track went through dense forest, past an Aboriginal midden of the Guringai people. At Apple Tree Bay, we followed Cowan Creek northwards to Waratah Bay where we spent an hour exploring the shore. A rusted barge is a relic from the days when a thriving tourist business operated there 100 years ago. The track up to Berowra was the old route built for the tourists to use. It really was fascinating seeing all the sights of local history.
Our route then descended into the Berowra Valley National Park. We reached Calna Creek across the wetland via boardwalks where the old bridge is still collapsed into the water, preventing access to Crosslands. Here we set up our campsite for the night. We had fun spotlighting and cooking, although there were some problems, with a water thief on the loose and tents mysteriously being taken apart when you’re trying to sleep.
Rise and shine was at 5 in the morning with a beautiful view and thick fog covering the area. As we started packing our tents Mr Yates came down from the mountain to join us for breakfast. With an upbeat attitude and energetic legs still full of strength, contrasting with us (we could hardly stand and that was before we had our packs on), Mr Yates, with only a small bottle of water to carry, got us moving for the journey home…
The way up was extremely steep and painful. We had to make many stops. One in particular that stood out was a big rock in a river where we took a group photo, but that isn’t the good part, the good part was when our ninja slipped into the river. After that we were all laughing for the rest of the way, until we saw a monstrous hill that awaited us; the steepest hill some of us have ever seen. This was the final obstacle on our journey and we didn’t think that we would ever reach the top. Some of us ran to the top while yelling out how manly we were.
Once we had finally reached the top, most of our parents were there to pick us up. We then realised just how fun this journey had been for all of us, and what to expect on our next expedition.
We want to thank Mr Murphy and Mr Broome for accompanying us and also Mr Yates for organising this.

Michael Goodman & Wilford Zhang, Year 9
Another busy term is drawing quickly to a close at Asquith Boys High School. This issue of Backchat features a great number of our successes in Term 2 and makes for excellent reading.

For the last three weeks of this term, Mr Griffiths has been enjoying some well-earned leave and will return on day one of Term 3. We wish him happy and safe travels.

The School Athletics Carnival was an overwhelming success from both sporting and school community perspectives. I would like to congratulate Timothy Gillies in Year 8 and Harry Frederick in Year 9 for their record breaking performances. The carnival was organised ably by Mr Broome and his team, and I would also like to sincerely thank the staff and parents who helped on the day. Our recent formal assembly acknowledged the high achievers at all three of the 2014 school carnivals. This was an excellent showcase of Asquith Boys’ sporting talent.

On Saturday 24 May, the P&C held a highly successful Trivia Night in the school hall. This was extremely well attended and raised a significant amount for the school. Please refer to the P&C President’s article in this issue. Our P&C are tireless in the excellent work they do to support Asquith Boys High School. Thank you very much.

On the musical and creative front, a successful band trip to Port Macquarie and MAD Night kept our Creative Arts staff and students very busy. These were both highly successful ventures, again demonstrating the depth and breadth of talent at Asquith Boys High School. These events are well chronicled in the following pages.

I would like to sincerely thank Mr Cameron Laing, who has relieved as Head Teacher of HSIE since Mr Moscos retired from this position at the start of the year. Mr Laing’s seamless management of the faculty has ensured a smooth transition between head teachers. He will continue in the role of Head Teacher Student Engagement for the remainder of the year. Mr Griffiths will welcome our new Head Teacher HSIE and detail any other staff changes, in the next edition of Backchat.

In the remaining week of Term 2, I would like to remind all students and their families that our expectation is attendance until the end of the last day with meaningful engagement in all lessons. Some courses will still be conducting assessment tasks and teachers will be continuing with course work in other circumstances.

I commend this issue of Backchat to the Asquith Boys High School community and would like to wish all staff, students and parents a happy and safe school holiday period.

Mr Andrew Skehan, Relieving Principal
Friday June 13 (Black Friday) all the portents were ominous for something big to happen on this the 164th day of the year, and happen it did – MAD Night once again established itself as the premier creative event on the school calendar. The evening was marked by an extraordinary combination of factors - earnest practice for months/weeks on end, ensemble work into the wee hours of the day, contributions from wide & far, improvisation and invention on a horrific scale, frantic last minute preparations...etc.

The end result: an amazing show of awesome talent that would rock anyone's world. To those who participated - we value your contribution. To those who witnessed the show - some things will never be quite the same. The music items ranged from Classical to Jazz, Pop & Contemporary. Ensembles ranged from Year 8 to Year 12 with some Year 7's involved in the Stage Band. Invited schools from our local community (Normanhurst Boys & Baulkham Hills High) provided their Stage Bands which added a touch of class and sophistication to the evening.

This type of 'art' music was performed at a very high level and demonstrated some exceptional technical skills and expressive playing. The Rock/Pop/Contemporary ensembles displayed a thorough understanding of the style with some excellent ensemble skills. Several classical pieces demonstrated the beautiful quality of our Yamaha CX-3 six foot grand. Special mention must be made to our resident homegrown hero - Jackson Besley. If you have not heard Jackson sing then you really have missed out! (Google his name and/or go to Youtube to catch up)!

Many Thanks, once again, to all the performers and production crew who made the night possible.

Mr M Williamson, Music Teacher
Following the magical music of the first half, the second half of MAD Night was left to the amazing actors of the Year 9/10 Drama class and past student Stefan with his smooth dance moves. The drama boys developed and re-worked a play titled “ZAM! BAM! KAPOWIE!!” - A play about how we, as a society, create heroes, both real and imagined.

They worked tremendously hard during rehearsals, creating and molding characters that they thought represented different types of ‘heroes’ in the world today. Colourful costumes, witty dialogue and great energy filled the stage with tension, action and comedy. The stage felt the presence of the ‘Drangers’ (a Power Ranger rip off), The Beatles, John Lennon, Martin Luther King, Marketing Advertisers, a Footballer, Superman, Checkout Chick and Pest-Control Man. All very entertaining to say the least!

A big THANK YOU to all staff who allowed the boys to take time out of class to complete dress rehearsals. It was time well spent as they were fabulous on stage. Also a big THANK YOU to all the parents who attended MAD Night to support and watch their talented children.

Until next year!

*Miss L Mashman, Drama Teacher*
The 2014 Athletics Carnival was held at Foxglove oval on the 8th of May and the weather could not have been any better for the boys to show off their athletic ability in track and field events. It was a classic Asquith Boys Athletics Carnival that started off with threatening and uncertain weather and soon turned out to be a magnificent day.

Foxglove oval was filled with sounds of Mr Lappas’ announcer’s voice, mixed with the Year 12’s booming music; the loud bang of Mr Yates’ starter gun, surrounded by noise from cheering and excited spectators; the timekeeper’s clicking stopwatches, trying to keep up with Ms Cookes’ clicking camera; and the aroma of the Year 12 students’ traditional BBQ, led by Mr Josephs.

All up, it was a successful Carnival with a very good turnout and everyone who attended helped make the day a memorable one. In fact, the turnout, and most of all, the participation of all the boys was the best it has been in recent memory.

There were some stand-out performances from the day that must be mentioned: First of all, in the 13 years age group, Timothy Gillies beat the record in the long jump where he jumped a length of 5.01m, beating the 41 year old record of 4.88m set way back in 1973. Well done, Timothy!

Secondly, Harry Frederick gained everyone’s attention at the carnival where he not only came first in seven events, but managed to break three records on the day.

1. Harry beat a 33 year old record in the 14 years shot put where he threw 15.66 metres, smashing the old record by nearly 1 metre.
2. He then went on to blitz the 14 Years 100 metre hurdles record by two and a half seconds, running in a time of 14.59 seconds.
3. The final record that Harry broke at the carnival was in the 14 years 100m sprint. The old record was set back in 1972 and has stood for the past 42 years. Harry ran a time of 11.81 seconds and will probably hold this record for another 42 years. Well done Harry!

The age champions for 2014 were:
- 12 years – Adrian Schoenmaker
- 13 years – Timothy Gillies
- 14 years – Harry Frederick
- 15 years – Jordan Mirabile-Kumar
- 16 years – Christopher Allan
- 17 years+ – Matthew Evans

The Cooba house group was dominant on the day, taking out the Athletics House Championship for the fourth year in a row. These championship points are made up not only from the points from athletes who get a place in a track or field event, but also from every single participant in all events.

Finally, a team of over 70 students travelled to the Sydney International Athletics Centre in Olympic Park on the 16th June and represented Asquith Boys High School at the Zone Athletics Carnival. Results from this day will be published in the next Backchat article.

Mr C Broome, PDHPE Teacher
BIG BAND BLAST GOES OFF AT PORT MACQUARIE

On Friday 30 May the Stage Band set off for Port Macquarie to participate in John Morrison’s BBB (Big Band Blast) http://www.bigbandblast.com.au. The weekend featured a 30 piece ‘heavy metal jazz orchestra’ with the guest artist Angry Anderson of Rose Tattoo fame. There were performances from a myriad of bands from all over Australia had converged on ‘Port’ for 3 days of fun, sun, jazz & intermittent rain which seems to be attracted to live music wherever it is played.

Our boys were outstanding ambassadors of all the good things that we do so well at Asquith - teamwork, problem solving, performing at a very high level, participating and having a thoroughly enjoyable time! Apart from the boys, special mention must go to Ms Holder for organising the endless things that must be prepared for such an undertaking; Mr Howick for his continued enthusiasm & dedication; Mrs Roscarel whose contribution re-defines 'camp Mom' to a whole new level- we were treated to food & refreshments on a military scale that would make most restaurants/parents envious. Many thanks to the SRC which helped to keep the costs down by supporting the tour. The bus driver also made up the numbers by driving through pouring rain in the dark, passing B doubles with ease and finding the appropriate ‘pit stops' along the way. The driver also calculated, almost to the minute, the exact time the bus would return to school!

Overall the boys were inspired by some amazing ensembles, incredible performances and meeting and hearing some legends on the music scene. This is our second time on this tour and it looks like it will be a permanent feature of our Stage Band music program provided we keep up the high standard that is required. Our boys have progressed to a very high level as they have been invited to return for next year! Congratulations are in order! Well done Asquith Boys High School Stage Band!

Mr Mike Williamson (Music Teacher, intrepid bus driver) CAPA Faculty ABHS
Students from our Environment Council attended the Youth Enviro Forum at Taronga Zoo on Friday 30\textsuperscript{th} May together with student representatives from around 30 other schools. They discussed our many school sustainability initiatives and attended workshops to learn about the problems of poaching and habitat destruction around the world. The main event was a talk by Jane Goodall, the famous primatologist who spoke about her life in Africa and her ‘Roots & Shoots’ campaign for young people. You can find out more at [www.rootsandshoots.org](http://www.rootsandshoots.org) Mr Yates together with Shobi and Karen, recent pre-service teachers at our school discovered some of the more exotic animals which can be kept in classrooms.

The photos show Brendan and Marco learning about poaching and Hamish and Ben on the Zoomobile (we weren't really allowed to drive it).

*Mr C Yates, Science Teacher*

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**World Environment Day - Afternoon Tea**

World Environment Day held on the 5\textsuperscript{th} of June, acts as an opportunity to encourage worldwide awareness and action for the environment. The Abbotsleigh Student Environment Council invited us to join them for afternoon tea, an environment trivia quiz and discussions about environmental issues. This was a great experience for us to catch up with environmentalists from other local high schools, many of whom we met at the forum last year.

The students at Abbotsleigh baked us various wonderful cupcakes and biscuits. They also provided us with excellent homemade lemonade.

Some of the quiz questions that led to further discussion:

1. According to a global study of wind power what extent of the world’s total energy usage could be satisfied if all viable wind power locations were exploited:
   - a. 1%  
   - b. 10%  
   - c. 75%  
   - d. Five times
2. Sulphur dioxide is the main contributory factors in what unhelpful environmental effect:
   - a. Acid rain  
   - b. Landfill run-off  
   - c. Global warming  
   - d. Pesticides
3. Which 3 of these waste products are not safe and helpful to compost:
   - a. Dairy products  
   - b. Egg shells  
   - c. Sawdust  
   - d. Fish bones  
   - e. Tea-bags  
   - f. Pet waste?

*By Ben Penno, Year 11*

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**Gordon Goodwin Phat Band Concert**

On Wednesday 14th May 20 students and staff travelled to Chatswood to hear a performance by the world’s greatest Big Band, in the Concourse Theatre. This concert was a one-off opportunity to experience some of the most highly talented musicians on the planet in terms of big band music. Tickets were only $20 and reserved specially for school students and their teachers.

The nearly two hour matinee began about 1pm and featured Australia’s own James Morrison, playing with the Gordon Goodwin band who delighted audience & band alike with his virtuosic display of musicianship. Students and teachers were treated to some of the most impressively written and performed music for big band in the 21\textsuperscript{st} Century. Gordon Goodwin was recently featured as the backing band for the Oscars Awards night and were in Australia to perform at James Morrison’s Generations in Jazz Festival at Mount Gambier in South Australia.

Our boys absorbed a huge amount of expertise in relation to stage band music which they took to Port Macquarie for John Morrison’s Big Band Blast festival (May 30, 31 & June 1) and MAD night was held on June 13. This performance will live with them in their musical memory for an eternity. Well done boys and congratulations on producing an ever improving band sound which goes from strength to strength.

*Mr M Williamson, CAPA Teacher*
**Engineering Studies Excursion**

On May 21, Year 11 Engineering Studies students visited the Clark Equipment head office and manufacturing facility in Hornsby. Clark Equipment is an Australian owned manufacturer and distributor of equipment for the construction, infrastructure, agricultural, mining, materials handling and logistics sectors.

After a safety induction the students set out on a tour of the facility led by the Engineering and Technical Manager. The tour covered all aspects of the manufacturing, testing and maintenance of heavy lifting equipment. Students were able to see the subject of their recent studies of hydraulics and braking systems as applied in real life situations. They were also provided with a valuable industry perspective on engineering careers in the mechanical, electrical and mechatronics fields.

The final highlight of the tour was experiencing the latest Bobcat technology - a fully remote control excavator. The childhood toys of many of the students had suddenly become life size!

Many thanks to Clark Equipment and their staff for providing this opportunity for Asquith students to experience a successful world class engineering operation in our local community.

*Mrs N Jackson, Technology and Applied Studies Teacher*

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**Debating**

On Monday 19th of May, both the Year 9 and Year 10 debating teams made their way to Asquith Girls High to participate and compete in the fine art of debating. Knowing the calibre of their opponents, the debaters had been well-prepared earlier in the year and were given a whole new insight into how to tear apart their opponents’ arguments with their wit and speaking skills. This gave the boys hope of a long-awaited victory against our sister school.

The Year 10 team were called up first and had to debate in support of replacing all examinations with assessment tasks. Despite having been praised for their innovative plans for education in the future, the girls were awarded the win.

The Year 9s were set the task of defending the importance of compulsory school sport, but as has been a regular pattern in previous years, Asquith Girls were able to convince the adjudicator that sport is not a good thing.

Unfortunately for both teams the girls were just too good at debating about education but our boys are confident in putting up a good fight in the return fixture when both topics will revolve around sport.

*b*y *G*riffin *S*lleigh (Year 10)

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**BREAKFAST CLUB @ ASQUITH BOYS**

Breakfast Club needs your support

Are you able to donate 45 minutes a week to help with Breakfast Club?

Breakfast Club runs Mon-Fri 8.10 - 8.35am.
Breakfast Club is free of charge and is open to all boys.
In order to keep it going this year we need your support.

What do we need you to do?
Be available 1 morning a week between 8am and 8.45am to assist with serving breakfast and packing up afterwards.

Please help us in keeping this worthwhile programme running.

**If you can help please contact Colleen Sweeney Student Welfare Officer on colleen.sweeney2@det.nsw.edu.au**

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Answers to World Environment Day Report

1. d Five times
2. a Acid rain, 3. a,d,f Dairy products, Fish bones, Pet waste
The Salvation Army at Hornsby urgently needs to re-stock their pantry for this coming winter.

you CAN help ...

Items required are:

😊 Pasta, pasta sauce
😊 Breakfast cereals: Rolled Oats, Weetbix, Corn Flakes
😊 Non-perishables such as rice
😊 Tinned goods eg, fruit, tuna, meat, vegetables, lentils, bean mixes, baked beans, spaghetti
😊 2 Minute Noodles (Chicken, Beef)
😊 Tea, coffee, juices
😊 Milk (Long Life)
😊 Sugar
😊 Laundry/bathroom supplies
😊 Lunch box supplies: Vegemite, Nutella, peanut butter, sandwich spreads and foiled cheese.

Please ensure items donated are not out of date.

All donations to the print room by Friday 27 June.

Thank you for your support
TAS
Students are working hard to complete projects as the term draws to a close. I am pleased with the work of the boys in general and I would also like to congratulate the vast majority of students who are engaging with their work, giving it their best shot and learning new skills.

Footwear
Again, congratulations are in order. Only a handful of students are not turning up in their school uniform shoes. This makes it easier for the class to start work and means that the teacher is able to concentrate on helping the class, rather than chasing up written work for students who are not wearing WH&S approved footwear.

Excursions
Yr 11 Engineering Studies had an exciting visit to Clark Equipment recently. Please see the article from Mrs Jackson in this Backchat.

Coming up on the last day of this term is an excursion for Yr 11 and 12 ITT to the Timber and Working with Wood Show. Students will have a chance to see the States top Major Projects from last year and talk to both the students who made them and the teachers who marked them.

Mr C. Philip
Head Teacher TAS

SCIENCE

Year 12 Science classes are now starting their HSC electives. This is the final topic for their HSC. All boys should be focusing on practising past HSC questions on a regular basis in preparation for their Trial exams next term.

Year 11 Science classes have now completed their respective half yearly exams and have one term left to complete the Preliminary HSC course in preparation for their yearly exams at the end of Term 3. All boys should be regularly practising exam style questions to ready themselves for the Yearly Test.

Year 10
Mr Robertson’s Science class have been completing a topic on motion and car safety. As part of the course the boys were asked to design and build some plasticine models to be used in collision tests. The boys were very creative and came up with some great designs for seatbelts. The boys learnt about design features used to increase stopping distance and reduce the force on the occupants. (No plasticine models were harmed during this experiment)

Year 9
Mr Yates Year 9 Science class have just started a project based learning topic on the science of the World Cup. It will look at a broad range of physics of the ball, projectile motion, materials of the uniforms, biology of the players, down to the grass used on the pitch.

Mr S. Robertson
Head Teacher Science

HSIE

Term 2 is drawing to a close, and for students in the junior school, this marks the end of Geography classes and the beginning of History Studies for all junior classes. In the senior school, Term 3 will be a very busy one. Yr 11 students have major projects that will be due in Business Studies, Modern/Ancient History and Geography. Year 12 will be busy preparing for their Trial exams, before completing their final topics in preparation for their HSC exams.

Year 12 – Trial Exams begin week 3 Term 3. All boys should be carrying out consistent private study and practise of their exam technique. All boys are encouraged to attend exam skills and essay-writing classes on offer outside of regular classes in various HSIE subjects. Revision of topics covered in term three 2013 is essential.

Year 11 – Several HSIE subjects have major assignments due in Term 3 (eg. BRT/SGP/History) that the boys need to keep on top of throughout this term. Boys need to ensure that they have a clear understanding of when their various assessments are due.

Year 10 – Australian Geography students are looking at Australia and its links with the rest of the world. Boys will be working toward completing an extended response on these Global Links in the final week of term. Boys will commence History in Term 3 with a focus on Australian Involvement in WW1 and 2.

Year 9 – Australian Geography students will be completing class work on Australian Communities.
Boys will commence History in Term 3 with a focus on Making of the Modern World.

**Year 8** - Students will be finishing off units on Threatened Habitats which will be followed up with a fieldwork trip to Taronga Zoo in Semester 2. Boys will commence History in Term 3 with a focus on Medieval Europe.

**Year 7** - All classes are completing units on desert environments, with a focus on the different desert environments from around the globe. Boys will commence History in Term 3 with a focus on Investigating History and the skills that a Historian uses.

**Year 11 and 12 Ancient and Modern History students** attended a study day on Friday 13th June, where lecturers presented material on a range of topics relating to their studies in class, with some focus on how to best perform in the HSC.

Finally, as relieving Head Teacher HSIE, I would like to welcome to the school our new Head Teacher Mrs Adriana Cufre-Sadnick, who will be joining us with Mr C Laing from Westfield Sports High. We look forward to working with Mrs Cufre-Sadnick from the beginning of Term 3.

*Mr C Laing*
Rel. Head Teacher HSIE (Relieving)

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**MATHS**

**Australian Mathematics Competition**

We are still chasing up students who need to pay $5 for the Maths Competition. As mentioned in the last Backchat, all students in 7E, 8M1, 9M1, 10M1, 11M1 or 12M1 are entered in the competition. It is considered a vital part of the extension program for our top classes.

**HotMaths**

This has been mentioned before, but I wanted to remind people again. All Year 7 & Year 9 students have access to the website which contains excellent tutorials on a wide variety of Mathematical concepts. I would encourage all students to utilise HotMaths, particularly those students who need a little extra help or another explanation. All Year 7 & 9 students at Asquith Boys High are registered with the site and have a login name and password. If for some reason they do not know their password, they should see their maths teacher.

**Problem of the month**

How can you arrange seven coins in six rows so that there will be exactly three coins in each row? First to me with an answer wins a prize. Parents/friends welcome to participate.

*Mr D Lappas*
Head Teacher Maths

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**CAREERS**

**Coming Events**

**Academy of Interactive Entertainment Information Evening**
26 June, 6.00pm – 8.00pm, Level 2, Wentworth Park Grandstand Wattle Street

**UTS Engineering Undergraduate Information Evening**
25 June, 5.00pm – 8.00pm, City – Broadway, CB06 Peter Johnson Building, Building 6

**University of Newcastle Open Days**
Port Macquarie: Thu 7th August Central Coast: Sat 16th August Newcastle: Sat 23rd August
Speak to current staff and students about study options and university life, attend a range of presentations, collect degree information, or take a guided campus tour.
http://www.newcastle.edu.au/future-students/open-days

**Apprenticeship and Traineeship Expo** will be held on **Wednesday 13th August** from 4-7pm. Venue is Hornsby War Memorial Hall, 2 High Street, Hornsby. Meet training organisations and employers; pick up job applications and interview tips. For more information contact Rachelle Elphick on 0439041020.

**Apprenticeships for 2015**

Students that are interested in undertaking an apprenticeship in 2015 are encouraged to start looking now. A number of local and national organisations will begin to advertise positions over the coming months. For more general information on Apprenticeships visit: http://www.aatinfo.com.au/Home
Free Digital workshops for Year 12 students
The Academy of Information Technology is holding free workshops in animation, game design and film on Sat 5th July 10am-4pm, Sat 9th August and Sat 13th September. Venue is Level 2, 7 Kelly St, Ultimo. See Mrs Fry or visit the website www.ait.nsw.edu.au to register online.

Important Information
Macquarie University Global Leadership Entry Program for Year 12 Students
The Global Leadership program provides students with the opportunity to gain practical skills through volunteering and participating in leadership activities in Australian and overseas. As part of the program students will gain early entry into a limited number of Macquarie degrees and will also receive invitations to special events and pre-study programs. The program is open to Year 12 students who are not only doing academically well but are also leaders in their community.
Contact: (02) 9850 6410
http://mq.edu.au/future_students/undergraduate/how_to_apply/global_leadership_and_entry_program

Working at the ABC

Moore Stephens Accounting Cadetship Program - Closes 20 June
Work while receiving mentoring, a salary, study support. Contact: pslattery@moorestephens.com.au

Bradman Scholarship - Closes 28 February 2015
Starting Uni? $5000/year scholarship. Possess academic, sporting (cricket), personal and social skills.
Contact: (02) 4862 1247 or info@bradman.com.au

Applications for the ADF Gap Year are now open. See Mrs Fry if interested.
Mrs J. Fry
Careers Adviser
Hello ABHS community,

Thank you to everyone who attended the Trivia Night last month, it was great to see the school community having fun. It was a great night with lots of prizes. We raised $4483.00 which will go towards improvements to the school & grounds.

I would like to thank everyone involved in the organising of the night - a lot of effort was put in and a special thank you to Mr Moscos who was the Trivia master for the evening.

The Community Day is fast approaching and we need volunteers to help on the day. Please see the attached flyer for details.

Students from Asquith Boys High and supporting schools put on a memorable performance at the annual MAD night held on 13th June. It shows the depth and calibre of talent we have in the local area and I’m sure everyone there enjoyed the evening immensely. I would like to thank the teachers and staff for their time and effort put in for the evening and I congratulate all the students for the excellent performances on the evening.

Thanks,

Linda Stanford
P&C President

If you wish to email the P&C please use the following email addresses:

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- School Council & P&C Meeting

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- **Year 12 Graduation Assembly**

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- **Yr10 PASS students – Bronze Medallion**

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Events are up to date at time of publishing. Please check school calendar on the website as well as the Sentral Homework calendar for Assessment due dates.
Thank you to the following businesses that have supported our Trivia Night with products or vouchers:

- Anytime Fitness Hornsby
- Asquith Family Butcher
- Asquith Family Chiropractor
- Asquith Veterinary
- Auto One Hornsby
- Berowra Physiotherapy
- Berowra RSL
- Blue Gum Hotel
- Bob Jane T-Marts
- Captain Cook Cruises
- Curves at Thornleigh
- Daniels Den (Hairdresser)
- E-leet Physiology
- Ever Spring Nail
- Glenn Street Theatre
- Hornsby RSL
- In the Picture Hornsby
- Lowes Schoolwear
- Macquarie Princess Cruises
- Manhattan Superbowl
- Millenium Health Club
- Moore Park Stables
- Mt Colah Chemist
- Mt Colah Pizza
- Mt Kuring-gai Village Butchery
- Mt Kuring-gai Indoor Sports Centre
- Musica Viva
- Plant Bug Mt Colah
- ProfessioNail Hornsby
- Roseville Cinemas
- Rubber Duckies Takeaway Mt Colah
- Skater HQ
- SLM Hair
- Starshots Photography
- Steelworx Gym
- Sydney FC
- School Community and families
- World of Fitness
- Wrigleys
Asquith Boys High School Community Fun Day
14th September 2014

It is time to start thinking about the Community Fun Day which is returning for the 4th year. Preparations for the day have begun.

- Fantastic music
- Soccer Games culminating in the Blackwood Shield and The Moscos Cup
- Stalls to browse including a book stall
- Coffee, cakes and raffle tickets with great prizes
- A variety of delicious food for lunch and treats from the ABHS kitchen

Please contact Rizwan Ali at 0433 200 402 or s_rizwan_ali3@hotmail.com

Requesting expressions of interest for static car display (‘classic/muscle’ theme) at the upcoming school Community Fun Day scheduled for Sunday, 14th September.

All types of cars considered.

We will need help with the stalls, raffles, food, BBQ, set-up and closing duties on the day.
Funds raised from the 2014 Community Fun Day will contribute towards the major grounds improvement projects. The day will feature soccer matches, music performances and market stalls as well as a return of the very popular “Concourse of Cars”. There will be Art & PIP Projects to view, lunch from the Hospitality boys, drinks, coffee, cakes and fairy floss from the Food Technology students, a jumping castle and face painting for the younger children.

Stall holders - If anyone is interested in having a market stall on the day please contact either the school office or reply email to abhs.communityfunday@gmail.com

We are having a Book Stall and need donations - Start collecting unwanted books and magazines that we can sell.

The quad will have a special car display. If you have a special car you would like to show then please contact Rizwan by email: s_rizwan.ali3@hotmail.com

Coordinators are needed for the following areas: BBQ, Cake Stall, Music, Volunteer rostering. You will be well supported by the organising committee who meet frequently.

Last year was a great success. To expand this year, we need the school community to volunteer their help on the day. These are the activities for which we need volunteers:

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For any questions or suggestions for assistance, please email abhs.communityfunday@gmail.com

If you are able to be of assistance on the day, please email abhs.communityfunday@gmail.com with your contact details and availability (NB: please DO NOT REPLY to the email sent on our behalf by the school).

Alternatively, please print and return this section to the box in Reception.

Name: Email:

Phone Number: Mobile phone number:

Please indicate which time slots you prefer. If more than one, please place “1” as first choice, “2” as second choice etc.

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The stall coordinator will contact you with your shift time and advise you of details.
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Parent Forum Reminder: Monday June 23
Anxiety & Adolescence, with Sue Carlson

Next Monday’s parent forum focuses on generalised anxiety: the ways it affects teenagers, and strategies to help deal with exam anxiety, social anxiety and school pressure.

Presenter for the evening is Sue Carlson, registered Psychologist and School Counsellor. Sue has front line experience as a teacher, exam marker, HSC advisor, school counsellor and psychologist in private practise.

When: Monday June 23, 6.30 - 8.30 pm
Who: Parents, teenagers and interested members of the public are all welcome.
Bookings: youth@kmc.nsw.gov.au
More info: www.kyds.org.au
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**SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE**

**INFORMATION SESSION**

TUESDAY 29 JULY 2014 6 – 9 PM

**MELBOURNE**

Conchole Hall
2 Rochester Rd
Canterbury

**SYDNEY**

Gross Nest
Community Centre
2 Ernest Place
Gross Nest

**SOUTH ADELAIDE**

Naracoorte Cultural Centre
287 Industrial Rd
Oaklands Park

**BRISBANE**

Brisbane Girls Grammar
70 Gregory Terrace
Brisbane

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- Best time to go
- Pre-departure
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- Selection
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- Living as a local
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- Host family
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- Ages: 6-16 years
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**SNOW SPORTS**

- Ages: 6-16 years
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