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UPCOMING EVENTS

14 October 2024

All Students Return For Term 4
School Uniform



DEAR VALUED CUSTOMERS

MUE Uniforms Temporary Trading Hours During
School Holidays

WE WILL BE CLOSED FROM
SAT 28TH SEPT - SAT 5TH OCT

We will re-open Tuesday 8th Oct

We apologise for any inconvenience caused
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email: mueonline@bigpond.com



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Volume 88

Dear parents and carers,

As we conclude the final week of Term 3, I would like to take this opportunity to reflect on the many learning opportunities that our students have experienced over the past months, both within and beyond the classroom.

From engaging lessons to enriching extracurricular activities, this term has been packed with memorable moments. We were privileged to host students from China, fostering a cultural exchange that broadened perspectives and deepened connections. We also acknowledged the fathers and father figures in our community during our Father's Day event.

The Term 3 Recognition of Student Excellence (ROSE) Assembly provided a platform to celebrate the dedication and commitment of our students to our core values Respect, Inspire, Safe, and Excel. Additionally, our students shone brightly at the NSW Intensive English Centres (IECs) Talents Showcase and the Liverpool Young Champions Awards, where their talents and dedication were celebrated.

Another significant highlight of this term was the election of the 2024-25 Prefect Body. Student leadership plays a pivotal role in shaping the culture and values of our school. Our newly elected Prefects have already shown a commitment to making meaningful contributions through active citizenship and student voice. True leadership goes beyond academic success, it is about serving as role models and advocating for fellow students.

In the sporting arena, teamwork and sportsmanship were on full display during our Year 7-8 and Football United Gala Days. These events helped foster collaboration, further strengthening the bonds within our school community.

NAIDOC Week offered us a chance to celebrate the rich heritage and contributions of our First Nations people. The Colour Run brought joy and excitement, while RU OKAY Day allowed us to engage in vital conversations about mental health and wellbeing. Our Pacific Island Dance Group delivered inspiring performances and cultural workshops for Physical Health Education students at the University of Wollongong deepened our appreciation for cultural diversity.

Throughout the term, we also took the time to recognise the invaluable contributions of our School Administrative and Support Staff during Public Service Association Schools Recognition Week,

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK CONTINUED

which highlighted the crucial role these individuals play in supporting the daily functioning of our school.

This term also saw our Year 10 students make important decisions regarding their subject selections for Year 11, setting the foundation for meaningful educational and career pathways. The process has been a critical step in helping them align their studies with their future aspirations, supported by guidance from staff to ensure they are well-prepared for the next stage of their academic journey.

Similarly, our Year 8 students had the opportunity to select their electives for Years 9-10, enabling them to engage in subjects that spark their personal interests and passions. With options ranging from Industrial Technology -Timber, Food Technology, and Commerce to Music, Visual Arts, Computer Technology, and Health and Movement Science, these selections provided students with a chance to explore and develop new skills in areas that excite and inspire them.

An integral part of this last week of term was the Year 12 Celebration Assembly and the Festival of the Boot, a fun-filled day that created lasting memories for the entire school community. The Year 12 Graduation Assembly on Thursday was a fitting culmination of their secondary schooling.

I would like to extend my appreciation to Ms Edwin, Mr Yacoub and all the staff involved in the organisation. Your dedication, attention to detail and hard work made the Class of 2024 graduation celebrations a special occasion that will be cherished by all who attended. Truly a memorable time for students, families and staff.

As our Year 12 students prepare for their upcoming HSC examinations, beginning Tuesday, 15 October in Week 1 of Term 4, we wish them all the best. Their hard work over the past twelve months, coupled with their effort and determination to succeed is something we are immensely proud of. Success is not just measured by results but by the perseverance and commitment to continually strive for improvement.

I would also like to inform the community that during Week 5, as part of the NSW Department of Education's School Excellence Cycle, we completed External Validation. Through this process, we had the opportunity to reflect on our learning, teaching and leadership practices against School Excellence Framework to further support student growth and performance.

Our next steps will involve ongoing communication with the school community to share insights and to shape future directions. More information will be provided in the first weeks of Term 4.

In closing, I extend my deepest thanks to our families for their unwavering support and commitment to their children's education. I would also like to express my sincere gratitude to our dedicated teaching and non-teaching staff, whose inspirational efforts ensure that our students receive the best possible learning outcomes.

As we head into the spring vacation, I encourage everyone to take time to relax, enjoy moments with family and friends and recharge for the exciting and busy Term 4 ahead that commences for all students, Monday 14 October.

If you have any immediate needs or questions, please do not hesitate to contact the main High School office (Office Hours 8.30 am - 3.00 pm).

Warm regards

Dr. Ken Edge
Principal



YEAR 12 GRADUATION DAY 2024

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Kind Regards,
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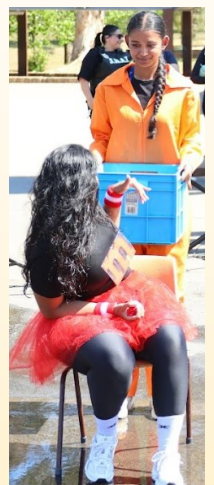
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YEAR 12 CELEBRATION DAY 2024



YEAR 12 PIZZA FUNDRAISING

Over the course of the year, Year 12 have been fundraising towards their school events. During week 10, Year 12 had their Fundraising Finale. Selling pizzas, popcorn, lollies, drinks and holding a handball tournament on the quad, Year 12 created a sense of community and fun for our school.

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INTER-SCHOOL PASIFIKA MOTIVATIONAL WORKSHOPS

On Wednesday the 11 of September, nine students in year 10 were blessed to be selected to participate in an Inter-School Pasifika Motivation Workshops hosted at Mount Annan High School. The workshops were held by One Love Project, Sina Sina, POLEN (the Pacific Officers Law Enforcement Network) and the Australian Museum. One workshop that stood out to me the most was by One Love Project, which encouraged the embracement of Pacific culture in all aspects of life through interactive activities. This inspired me to be proud of who I am as a Pacific Islander and realise that there are many opportunities out there for people like me.

Another workshop that stood out to me was by Sina Sina, by the Samoan Senior Citizens Group which taught us the importance of acknowledging and recognising the history of Fa'Samoan culture. It taught us to remember where we come from, and the traditions and customs that make us who we are today. This particularly meant something personal to me as it reminded me of what my nana used to teach us.

Overall, it was an empowering day to connect and bond with other Pasifika students from across the Sydney region.



We are now grateful for the opportunity to host the next Inter-School Pasifika Motivation Workshop for the first time at Miller Technology High School in Term 4.

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BRISTA COURSE

Fourteen students from Years 9-12 completed barista training, thanks to the Anglicare 'On Track Program.



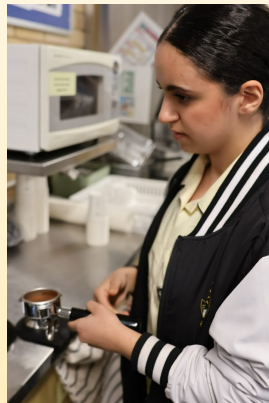
Students learnt about the origins of coffee, how to make their own blend, the different types of coffee and how to make them. They practiced making lattes, cappuccinos and even an Italian piccolo; but by far their favorite drink was the hot chocolate, with extra chocolate.

Students received a statement of attainment to increase their employability, and to support in finding casual/part-time work in a Cafe. We would like to thank Marlen and his team from Anglicare for making this fully funded training possible.

Ms Benitez

Acting Head Teacher
Secondary Studies

Careers Adviser & NESA



SUPPORT STUDENT'S MAKING APPLE PIE

The students in the Support Unit took their creative skills to the kitchen to create apple pies that looked like apples. First using the apple slinky to core and slice apples they then wrapped them in pastry adding details such as leaves, before baking and serving with icecream - yum!



Ms Miners

Support Faculty Teacher Faculty Teacher



WSU PATHE YEAR 9 LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

On Friday the 13 September, the Western Sydney University Pasifika Achievement to Higher Education (PATHE) team hosted the annual Year 9 Leadership Summit at Parramatta South Campus, welcoming 148 students from 12 high schools. This year's summit aimed to empower students to become proactive leaders in their schools and communities. The theme, "Wave Makers: Leading with Influence and Purpose," encouraged students to reflect on the ways in which their influence can foster positive change within their families and broader communities. The students engaged in two interactive workshops, STEER and SAIL, which focused on developing essential Pacific leadership skills. These workshops not only provided practical tools but also fostered collaboration and discussion among students from various backgrounds.



The summit proved to be an enriching experience, facilitating connections between students across Western Sydney and reinforcing the significance of leadership within our Pacific communities. We extend our gratitude to the PATHE team in making this year's summit a success and look forward to witnessing the positive changes these young leaders will bring to their schools and communities in the future.

Ms Benitez

Acting Head Teacher Secondary Studies

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TRANSIT SYSTEMS

A reminder from Transit Systems NSW, the bus operator that provides our school bus services, regarding student use of the School Opal card.

It is a condition of the use of a School Opal card that students must tap on at the beginning of a trip and tap off at the end of a trip at an Opal Card Reader, when they travel to and from school. Please refer to the Transport for NSW website for further details: <https://transportnsw.info/school-pass-terms>

Opal data gathered by tapping on and off is used to determine demand for bus services. If students fail to tap on and tap off, services for your school may be reduced or even cancelled due to the lack of recorded patronage.

With this in mind, we ask for your assistance in reminding your students that tapping on and off at the beginning and end of each trip is one of the conditions of using a School Opal card.

Your assistance helps us ensure we are able to provide the appropriate level of service to your students.



TRANSIT SYSTEMS

CAREERS

Engineering in a Day at Macquarie University | Thursday, 3 October Engineering in a Day is for students in Years 10 and 11 to spend an immersion day with the School of Engineering at Macquarie University. Through interactive workshops and guided tours of facilities, students will explore the various types of engineering that Macquarie offers. Find out more: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/engineering-in-a-day-tickets-982906629187?aff=oddtcreator>.

Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship The Westpac Young Technologists Scholarship is tailored for high school graduates eager to enhance their technology skills, foster innovation, and make a positive impact in STEM. For more information and how to apply: <https://scholars.westpac.com.au/scholarships/young-technologists-scholarship/>.

1300apprentice Early Offer Apprenticeship Intake 2025 1300apprentice are holding their annual Apprentice and Trainee intake for 2025. Apply now to receive an early offer. Secure a place early for a start in 2025 with 1300apprentice. Learn about the choice of careers on offer and get a head of the rest. Apply today in 3 steps. Go to: www.1300apprentice.com.au/jobs, and search 'intake'. Explore the website for more information

Master Builders Association of NSW is Here to Help School Leavers Become an Apprentice or Trainee. The 3-week entry level Pre-Apprenticeship training program provides an introduction into both the industry and a carpentry trade prior to commencing an apprenticeship. For further information go to: <https://www.mbaapprenticeship.com.au/mbas-pre-apprenticeship-program/>.

Master Builders Association is Taking Applications for Apprenticeship Opportunities in Sydney Master Builders have opportunities within multiple trades for all ages and entry levels. Suitable for those who have the commitment and drive to commence and complete an apprenticeship in the building and construction industry. For more information, please email careers@mbansw.asn.au.

TAFE NSW 2025 Career Guide is Now Available With a diverse range of courses, strong industry connections and approaches to learning that suit all needs, TAFE NSW will help students to get the job they want. Download the 2025 Career Guide: <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/documents/60140/197799/TAFE-NSW-Career-Guide.pdf>.

Kind Regards,

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UPCOMING EVENT



Technologies Teaching Tours (TAS) at ACU Strathfield Campus

Are you interested in learning about ACU's pathways to becoming a design and technology, industrial design, food technology, or textiles technology teacher?

Join us for a faculty-led Technologies Teaching Tour at our Strathfield Campus where you will gain firsthand insight into our industry-focused teaching environments.

You will be able to participate in hands-on learning activities, including:

- Make chocolate moulds using the vacuum former
- See the laser printer in action and make a key ring with your name engraved on it
- View student works in progress in the Textiles workshop
- Interactive electromechanical projects

When: Thursday 10 October

Time: 5 - 6pm

Where: Strathfield Campus

Cost: Free



Spots are limited, scan the QR code to register early so you don't miss out!





Educational Pathways Program



LIVERPOOL YOUTH JOB DRIVE

Thursday 14th November
@ Miller PCYC

ENTER YOUR
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This is just an expression of interest, you will be asked to apply for a job and if your application is successful, you will be informed of your interview time.

For more information contact Joyce Choucair

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CAREERS

Job List Summary

Company name	Vacancy role title	Role location	Cover Letter	Resume	Drivers license?	White Card	Minimum age	Work experience
Heavy Automatics	Apprentice Heavy Vehicle Mechanic	Prestons	No	Yes	No	No	15 years old	Yes
WPC Group	Automotive Underbody Technology Apprenticeship	Chipping Norton	Yes	Yes	Applicant is expected to have initiated the process of attaining their provisional license	No	16 years old	No
Penske Australia & New Zealand	Heavy Diesel Apprentice	Chipping Norton	No	Yes	No	No	16 years old	Optional
Waratah Group Services	Apprentice Landscaper	Multiple	No	Yes	Applicant is expected to have initiated the process of attaining their provisional license	Yes	15 years old	Optional
EBBrett	Trainee Textile Fabricator	Moorebank	Yes	Yes	No	No	16 years old	Optional
DalKin Australia	Apprenticeship HVAC-R	Chipping Norton	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	16 years old	Optional
Fasteners and Bearings Engineering Supplies Pty Ltd	Warehouse/Office Junior	Ingleburn	Yes	Yes	No	No	16 years old	No
Mainfreight Warehousing	Storeman	Multiple	No	Yes	No	No	17 years old	No
Capral Ltd	TRADE ASSISTANT	MINTO	Yes	Yes	No	No	18 years old	Optional
Ricky Richards	Casual Customer Service Admin Data Entry and Pick packer	Villawood and Sydney Olympic Park	No	Yes	Yes	No	16 years old	Optional
Centrum	Casual or part-time assistant in the manufacturing industry	Chipping Norton	Yes	Yes	No	No	15 years old	Yes
All Pro	Plumbing 1st year apprentice (Identified position)	Prestons	No	Yes	Applicant is expected to have initiated the process of attaining their provisional license	Yes	18 years old	Yes
All Pro	Part-time admin role or for a suitable school based Business Traineeship	Prestons	No	Yes	No	No	18 years old	No
Event Cinemas	TBA							
Aryzta	TBA							

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