Principal's Report

I spoke this week to our students about the terrible tragedy involving the boy Alan Kurdi, the very young Syrian boy who perished in the seas off the coast of Turkey. The image of this young boy's lifeless body being carried by a Turkish policeman will undoubtedly become one of the defining images of our time. My concern, expressed to Marsden students, is that this tragedy is representative of a far wider tragedy engulfing ordinary people from many countries across the globe. It is important for our students to recognize that in a few short years they will be voters who can influence what our leaders think and do. At Marsden, we value compassion, right thinking and an awareness we all carry as members of the global community. Simple and jingoistic solutions to what is essentially a catastrophic humanitarian crisis will simply not do. Let each student be aware of the real facts before we pass judgement on how to respond. We are fortunate to have in our own school community quite a number of refugee students, whose stories are harrowing. They have been wholeheartedly embraced by the school community and show, daily, their appreciation for the opportunities and support they receive. I sincerely hope that in a few short years when our students pass through the school gates for the last time, that they leave with compassion for others, an awareness of responsibility as community members and an independence of mind that enables them evaluate complex matters and make up their own minds about what course of action is most appropriate and worthy.

Gus Vrolyk
Principal

Our next P&C meeting is on Tuesday 27th October in the Library at 7:30pm

P&C
President: Marlicia Travis
Treasurer: Andrew Dismorr
Secretary: Karen Seifert
Secretary email: marsdenpnc@gmail.com
Meeting in school library, last Tuesday of every month, school terms.
Minutes of meeting available from secretary on request.

Canteen Helpers Needed

The canteen would love to have another 12 volunteers on its books. The normal hours are 10am to 2:30pm. Whether you can help once a month or once a fortnight, we would love to hear from you.

Thursdays and Fridays require the most volunteers. Please contact Rae on 0421 458 890 or the canteen direct on 9858 1367 if you can help
Year 11
Year 11 Exams commenced on Monday 7th September and conclude on 15th September. It is interesting to note that the Universities Admissions Centre (UAC) have advised that they will take the Year 11 grades into account when determining which students they will make early university offers to at the conclusion of the HSC. Students who attend TAFE are still expected to attend their TAFE classes during the examination period. Year 11 students will be required to attend classes for the last 3 days of term in Week 10.

Congratulations to the Year 11 Work Studies class who attended Barista training last Wednesday. The students were very engaged the entire day and are now qualified baristas. We look forward to them managing Café Doonya each Friday fortnight, as they appear to be an outstanding group of new baristas.

Year 12
Scheduled lessons are fast coming to an end for Year 12 students as we note that it is less than 2 weeks until their Graduation ceremony. It is imperative that Year 12 students keep their good study habits going all the way to the HSC exams. It is amazing the difference in marks and ranks that students are still able to make in the lead up to their HSC exams.

Some important dates for Year 12 students and parents/carers that you might like to make sure are in your diary:

### Calendar

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>September</th>
<th>November</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>7-18 Year 11 Yearly Exams</td>
<td>2-6 HSC exams</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10 Yr 7 Gala day</td>
<td>2-13 Yr 8 exams</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15 Year 7 Muogomarra Excursion (group A)</td>
<td>2-6 Yr 9 exams</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16 Year 7 Muogomarra Excursion (group B)</td>
<td>2-6 Yr 10 exams</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17 Year 12 Graduation Assembly</td>
<td>4 Yr 12 Signout Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Year 12 Graduation Dinner</td>
<td>5-6 SRC Leadership Camp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18 State dance festival excursion</td>
<td>5 Yr 7 &amp; 8 immunisation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Yr 11 PDHPE excursion</td>
<td>9-17 Yr 8 VALID science test</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>October</td>
<td>December</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6-30 Year 7, 8 &amp; 9 exams</td>
<td>2 Junior Performers Night</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7-9 Lithgow visit</td>
<td>3-5 Stage 5 History Interstate trip</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7 Marsden Robotics Team Incursion</td>
<td>3 Yr 7 2016 Orientation Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9 Yr 11 excursion to Olympic Park</td>
<td>9 Sports Assembly</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12 Year 12 Information evening</td>
<td>11 Presentation Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12-30 HSC exams</td>
<td>14 Stage 4 &amp; 5 Assembly</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16 U15 girls KO netball</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22-30 Yr 11 Outdoor Rec Camp – Lithgow</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22-23</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>27 P&amp;C Meeting</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30 GRIP Leadership Camp</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

School holiday dates:

**Term 3**
Last day of term Fri 18 Sept

**Term 4**
Students start Tues 6 Oct
Last day of term Wed 16 Dec
Thursday 17th September  
10.00am  Year 12 Graduation Ceremony  
6.30pm  Year 12 Graduation Dinner

Monday 12th October  
Year 12 HSC exams begin

Wednesday 4th November  
Year 12 Sign out. Students return all textbooks, computers etc.

May I take this opportunity to offer Year 12 students best wishes for their coming exams and for their future studies.

Mrs Symons  
Deputy Principal

---

**Year 12 Drama**

Thanks to Polly Nowiki who came to the school to work with our Year 12 Drama students. Polly was able to help the students with their drama techniques as a result of her experience in the entertainment industry.

We wish to congratulate Year 12 Drama students for completing their HSC performance exams on Friday 28th August. Ms. Kalaidjan supported our students together with our stage crew, Rhys McGilligan, Jason Dang and Nathan Ottawa who were there for our students during tech runs and the HSC exam. We continue to wish Year 12 all the best for their HSC. Ms. Paris.
Year 11 Work Studies barista course
**Library News**

Book Week at the Library was fantastic. You can still join in on our competitions.

- Borrow a Mystery Book and enter your Book Review after the term break
- Colouring in competition

Our Author visit for Book Week was postponed due to Steven Herrick (our Author) losing his voice. If you would like to know more about Steven Herrick and his fabulous Australian Poetry click on the following link [http://www.stevenherrick.com.au/](http://www.stevenherrick.com.au/)

Steven Herrick’s visit to the Library

It was great fun and all students were surprised and enjoyed to see a poet performing his own poetry.

As you know our fantastic State Library runs exhibitions (all free throughout the library) for school age students ‘Kids @ the library’. They are running

- Tours for kids including a Ghost tour
- A Film: Chitty Chitty Bang Bang
- And my favourite, Caravan Extravaganza a workshop for students on how to make your own Caravan.

Here is the link to see what’s on when [http://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/events/series/kids_at_the_library.html](http://www.sl.nsw.gov.au/events/series/kids_at_the_library.html)

Don’t forget to borrow some books for your holiday reading and have a great break.

Ms Langelaar Teacher Librarian
Open Days for 2015-2016
APM College of Business Communication
The Rocks campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

Australasian College of Natural Therapies
Pyrmont campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

Australian Catholic University
Canberra campus 29 Aug 2015
North Sydney campus 5 Sept 2015
Strathfield campus 12 Sept 2015

Australian College of Applied Psychology
Information nights 14 July, 12 Aug, 11 Nov 2015
For more information, visit www.acap.edu.au

Australian Maritime College
Beauty Point campus 30 Aug 2015
Newnham campus 30 Aug 2015
Campus tours can be arranged by appointment year round. Visit www.amc.edu.au/visit-amc

Australian National University 29 Aug 2015
For campus tours, visit http://anu.edu.au/study/events/campus-tours

Billy Blue College of Design
Ultimo campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

Charles Sturt University
Open day every day. For campus tours/appointments and course information, call 1800 DEGREE (1800 334 733) or visit www.csu.edu.au/campustour

CQ University
Sydney campus 13 Aug 2015, 2–6pm
Virtual Open Day (online only) 10 Sept 2015, 10am–6pm
For more information, visit www.cqu.edu.au/events

Griffith University
Gold Coast campus 26 July 2015

International College of Management, Sydney
Manly campus 16 Aug 2015

Jansen Newman Institute
Pyrmont campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

La Trobe University
Albury-Wodonga campus 28 Aug 2015
Mildura campus 19 Aug 2015
For other campuses visit www.latrobe.edu.au/openday

Macleay College
Surry Hills campus 22 Aug 2015, 16 Jan 2016
For a personalised campus tour, call 1300 939 888

Macquarie University 12 Sept 2015

MIT Sydney
For campus tours/appointments and course information, call (02) 8267 1400 or visit mit.edu.au

National Art School 29 Aug 2015

SAE Creative Media Institute
Sydney and Byron Bay campuses 8 Aug 2015
For up-to-date information, visit http://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/events or free call 1800 SAE EDU (1800 723 338)

SIBT 29 Aug 2015

Southern Cross University
Info days and ‘virtual’ info sessions
Coffs Harbour campus 7 Dec 2015
Lismore campus 9 Dec 2015
Gold Coast campus 11 Dec 2015
For more information visit www.scu.edu.au/scuinfolodays
The Hotel School Sydney 12 Sept 2015
For more information visit, hotelschool.scu.edu.au/about/info days

University of Canberra 29 Aug 2015

University of New England 1 May 2015
For personalised tours, call 1800 818 865 or visit www.une.edu.au/ campus tours

University of Newcastle
Newcastle campus (Callaghan) 22 Aug 2015
Central Coast campus (Ourimbah) 15 Aug 2015
Port Macquarie campus 6 Aug 2015

University of Sydney 29 Aug 2015

University of Technology, Sydney
City and Kuring-gai campuses 29 Aug 2015

University of Western Sydney
Parramatta campus 30 Aug 2015
UWS Campus Experience tours are held throughout the year. To register, visit www.uws.edu.au/ campus experience or call 1300 897 669

University of Wollongong
Wollongong campus 15 Aug 2015
Sydney CBD campus 29 Aug 2015

UNSW Australia
Kensington campus 5 Sept 2015
UNSW Canberra at ADFA 29 Aug 2015

William Blue College of Hospitality Management
The Rocks campus 3 May, 1 Aug 2015

For information on school visits days, contact individual institutions
Please log onto Marsden High School website and sign up to receive Newsletter via email. Also sign up to appropriate year lists to receive information pertaining to your child’s scholastic year.
BIT Shopping Tour fundraiser

Date: Saturday 24th October 2015
Time: 7:30am pick up til late
Pick up location: MHS
Cost: $56 including air conditioned coach, host, morning and afternoon tea and lunch.
Payments: to be made to MHS Front Office
Mudang Gulyangarrin
STRONG CHILDREN

FREE CHILD HEALTH SCREENING DAY
WHERE: Chatswood Community Health Centre
57 Hercules St Chatswood
WHEN: 24 Sept 2015
TIME: 10am - 2pm

FREE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES PROVIDED

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT
CHARLEENE 0401 686 936
ADAM 0421 326 964

Hearing
Speech
Immunisation
Eye/Sight
Dental
TZU CHING YOUTH CAMP
DISCOVER YOURSELF FROM INSIDE OUT

JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND OF FUN AND BONDING!

Venue: Tzu Chi Australia (20-22 Glen Street, Eastwood)
Day 1: 3rd Oct / Sat, 9am - 5pm
Day 2: 4th Oct / Sun, 9am - 5pm
Cost: $30 (Vegetarian meals included)
Age Range: 14-18

Interested to sign up? Contact us now:
Angel (Mobile: 0415 863 079 Email: iomsosmartangel@gmail.com)
or
Jolin (Mobile: 0452 450 288 Email: yilinzhou118@gmail.com)

North Ryde RSL Youth Club
Swimming Club
2015/2016 SEASON

Sunday Mornings 8am – 10am
First Swim - 11 October, 2015.
Ryde Aquatic & Leisure Centre, Ryde

REGISTRATION:
Ryde Aquatic & Leisure Centre, Ryde
8.30am – 10.30am
Sunday 13 September, 2015
or any Sunday morning during the season.

Trial Swimmers Welcome

For more information visit our website:
http://www.nrslsyc_swimming.websyte.com.au
or contact:

Cathy Ledger 0434 236 422
Kate Gough 0425 239 660
Zach McCann 0458 002 223
Or Email us at – nrslsycswimclub@gmail.com
**OUR SPACE**
INTEGRATED YOUTH SPACE HUB

School Holiday Program Permission Slip

DON’T MISS OUT! BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL!
For ages 11-18 years old only.
For more information and bookings Phone: 9874 7458 / 0416733494
167 Shattsbury Road, Eastwood
Email: theshack@theshack.org.au

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Activity</th>
<th>Venue</th>
<th>Cost</th>
<th>Tick activities to attend</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Week 1</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Monday</strong></td>
<td>11am</td>
<td>Chinese Food Cooking Day</td>
<td>Our Space -</td>
<td>$5.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21/9/15</td>
<td>3pm</td>
<td>Dumplings and handmade noodles includes all food</td>
<td>Eastwood</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Tuesday</strong></td>
<td>11am</td>
<td>Movies – Puzzles [PG] includes tickets, snacks</td>
<td>Macquarie</td>
<td>$12.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22/9/15</td>
<td>3pm</td>
<td>and transport</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Thursday</strong></td>
<td>11am</td>
<td>Tennis &amp; Table tennis @ STARS Lunch included</td>
<td>Marsfield</td>
<td>Free</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24/9/15</td>
<td>3pm</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Friday</strong></td>
<td>11am</td>
<td>Street Art Workshop [Stencil and Spray art] Lunch</td>
<td>Our Space -</td>
<td>Free</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25/9/15</td>
<td>3pm</td>
<td>included</td>
<td>Eastwood</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

| **Week 2**  |       |                                                    |                   |        |                          |
| **Monday**  | 11am  | Italian Food Cooking Day                           | Our Space -       | $5.00  |                          |
| 28/9/15     | 3pm   | Ravioli and Risotto includes all food items        | Eastwood          |        |                          |
| **Tuesday** | 11am  | DIY 3D Paper Craft Workshop                        | Our Space -       | Free   |                          |
| 29/9/15     | 3pm   | Lunch included                                     | Eastwood          |        |                          |
| **Thursday**| 11am | Surf Rider includes entry, lunch and transport     | Ryde Pool         | $12.00 |                          |
| 1/10/15     | 3pm   |                                                    |                   |        |                          |
| **Friday**  | 3pm   | Hip Hop Dance Workshop & Movie Night                | Our Space -       | Free   |                          |
| 2/10/15     | 7pm   | Lunch included                                     | Eastwood          |        |                          |

Note: All program starts and finish at Our Space Eastwood centre.

**PARTICIPANT’S (YOUNG PERSONS) DETAILS:**

Full Name: ______________________ D.O.B ______________________

Address: ________________________________

Phone: (Home) ______________________ Mobile: ______________________

Email: ________________________________
Are you in a band, a dance group or other performance group? Are you a singer, stand-up comic or magician? Are you aged between 11 and 24?

Want to perform at this year's Granny Smith Festival?

Do you want to be on stage?

Ryde Youth Council present The CORE at the Granny Smith Festival

Ryde Youth Council are looking for acts to perform on the youth stage in the CORE at Granny Smith on October 17th. For an application form and further details call Mike on 9962 8248 or email mpaine@ryde.nsw.gov.au. Applications close on Monday 21st September.
SMS Driving School
GET ON THE ROAD TO YOUR DRIVER’S LICENCE
FREE FUN FAST
PICKUP & DROP OFF
ENJOY EACH LESSON
FRIENDLY SERVICE
1 DRIVING LESSON HOUR = 3 LOGBOOK HOURS

SCHOOL SPECIAL
ONLY $50
PER 1 HOUR LESSON

BOOK NOW !!!
CALL: 0466 534 263
dani@smsdrivingschool.com.au

RMS Accredited Driving Instructor LIC# 012816

---

The Acting Experience
SCHOOL HOLIDAY WORKSHOP
YOUNG ADULT
ACTING FOR SCREEN!
› THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER
› 6 PLACES ONLY

ENROL NOW FOR A DAY OF WORKING FOR SCREEN
MUST HAVE PRIOR EXPERIENCE IN ACTING OR DRAMA CLASSES

The Acting Experience weekly drama classes are on:
› Primary Classes – Wednesdays
› High School Classes – Thursdays and Saturdays

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
actingexperience.com.au / info@actingexperience.com.au / 0457 574 662