



HARRISDALE

SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

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AN UPDATE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Families,

BY EVERAL EATON

Welcome back to Term 4. We are delighted to share that we recently celebrated the graduation of our second cohort of students from Harrisdale Senior High School.

This milestone was marked by our Valedictory Ceremony on October 18, 2023, as well as our farewell assembly on October 16, 2023.

Such accomplishments are the result of a collective effort, involving parents, teachers from both primary and secondary schools, as well as the dedicated individuals working tirelessly behind the scenes to nurture and shape the educational journeys of these young individuals.

This is indeed a special time for our school, where we come together to celebrate the achievements of both our students and the staff who have been pivotal in guiding and supporting them throughout their educational odyssey.

Recognising and honouring the dedication of our students and educators is a remarkable way to commemorate this significant milestone.

The Valedictory Ceremony served as a culmination of the journey and a glimpse into the future beyond Harrisdale. To our graduating class of 2023, I extend my heartfelt wishes for a bright and successful future.

Congratulations to all our Year 12 students for reaching this momentous milestone!



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VALEDICTORY CEREMONY 2023

I want to express my deep gratitude to Erin Parry, Heather Bray, Iris Leach, Lynn Cooke, Kana Siva, Thurga Devi Subrayalu, and Victoria Rawlings for their meticulous planning and organisation leading up to both the Final Assembly and Valedictory Ceremony. Special thanks to the Valedictory Committee, including Heather, Iris, Lynn, Kana, Devi, Cheney Armstrong, Matt Adams, and Joaquin Ampil, for their year-long dedication, valuable input, and assistance in the planning process. I'd also like to thank Mr. Anthony Dean for the thoughtful wooden keyring gifts presented to all Year 12 students, as well as all the teachers who have played a vital role in shaping the educational journeys of our students.

To our Year 12 students preparing for upcoming exams, I wish you success, and I look forward to celebrating your achievements in the coming months. For those embarking on journeys involving travel, employment, TAFE, or other opportunities, I extend my best wishes and hope that your experiences at Harrisdale Senior High School have equipped you for the next stages of your life's adventure.

As you move forward, please remember to stay connected with us as alumni of our school. You will forever hold a special place in our hearts, and we eagerly await hearing about your future accomplishments and endeavours. Your journey continues, and we are excited to witness the positive impact you will make on the world.

Top of Form

Congratulations to the special award winners announced at our Valedictory and at our Final Year 12 are:

VALEDICTORY AWARD WINNERS

Harrisdale Way Awards

CARE - Dilakna Rathnajeewa

EXCELLENCE - Aaisha Minty

RESPONSIBILITY - Harry Luan

RESPECT - Jonah Sajimon

Harrisdale SHS Special Awards

Ampol Best All-Rounder Award - Hasna Nurfadhilah

Sports Ambassador Award - Connor Potito

Culture and Arts Ambassador Award - Kirsten Gucilarar

Cultural Navigator Award - Nayana Kiron

Diligence Award - Bahar Walia

External Awards

ADF Long Tan Award - Victor Aston

ADF Future Innovators Award - Rayaan Atif

P&C - Civics and Citizenship Award - Eleanor Menck

Follow The Dream Culture Award - Jasmin Ihanimo

DUX Awards

Runner-Up VET DUX - Ravneet Virk

VET DUX - Shayla Lindsay

Runner-Up DUX - Campbell Darr

DUX - Samruddhi Mohite



SUBJECT AWARD WINNERS

English

ATAR English Literature - Disha Dokhe
ATAR English Literature - Jarrod Hui
ATAR English - Samruddhi Mohite
General English - Gemma Boardman

Humanities & Social Science

ATAR Accounting & Finance - Angeline Lau
ATAR Economics - Jonah Sajimon
ATAR Economics - Aaisha Minty
ATAR Modern History - Jullianne Betita
ATAR Modern History - Lachlan Gee
ATAR Politics & Law - Prachi Dasadiya
General Aboriginal & Intercultural Studies - Luke Boeve
General Career & Enterprise - Nova Lyckholm
General Geography - Brandon Smith
Certificate II Workplace Skills - Emily Shackleton

Mathematics

ATAR Mathematics: Specialist - Jonah Sajimon
ATAR Mathematics: Methods - Campbell Darr
ATAR Mathematics: Applications - Bradley Hall
General Mathematics: Essential - Izza Infante

Science

ATAR Physics - Campbell Darr
ATAR Chemistry - Samruddhi Mohite
ATAR Biology - Aaisha Minty
ATAR Human Biology - Aaisha Minty
General Integrated Science - Lachlan Cash

Arts

General Dance - Hayley Massam
General Drama - Ella Barrat
General Visual Arts - Gemma Boardman
Certificate II Creative Industries - Crystal Hanham
Certificate II Music Industry - Kirsten Gucilar

Health & Physical Education

General Health Studies - Lachlan Cash
General Physical Education Studies - Connor Potito
Certificate II Sport & Recreation - Lucy Garner



Technologies

General Children, Family & Community - Shayla Lindsay
General Food Science & Technology - Ankur Kanada
Certificate II Hospitality - Kayla Piotrowski
General Applied Information Technology - Lachlan Gee
General Materials, Design & Technology - Albert Golbourn
Certificate II Engineering - Makayla Busby

VET

Workplace Learning - Jayden Lacquiere
Workplace Learning - Ethan Geddem



AN UPDATE FROM THE PRINCIPAL CONT...

Harrisdale Senior High School has commenced the term with some exceptional new support staff that we need to welcome to our school community; Justine Hughes: supporting Year 7 and 8 students, Paul Miller: supporting Year 9 and 10 students, Jessica Murray: supporting Year 11 and 12 students, Melissa Magini: Front Office and Sharon O'Neill-Brown: Enrolments. These new team members will undoubtedly contribute to the positive and nurturing school environment. Welcome.

I had the pleasure of attending our Music End of Year concert on October 12th, and once again, it was a remarkable showcase of our students' and teachers' talents. The Wind and Orchestra bands delivered outstanding performances at the highest standards, leaving the audience enthralled. Our choral students demonstrated the power of their voices as instruments, creating a harmonious fusion of sound. It was a special occasion as we had the privilege of witnessing the inaugural performance of our first-ever strings students.

The event took place in our sports hall, and it was heartening to see a full house of parents and families in attendance. This enthusiastic turnout emphasized the need for a more suitable auditorium to showcase our students' talents. Unfortunately, our sports hall falls short in meeting the criteria and lacks the ambiance and acoustic quality necessary for the calibre of our students. In addition to this, we recognise the growing number of students and the need for larger sporting facilities.

In response to these challenges, the school board, in collaboration with our community members, is actively working on a submission for a stage 3 expansion. This expansion is designed to benefit our school in several ways, including the acquisition of a Double Community Gym and Health Classrooms with a Volleyball Precinct. We are exploring potential partnerships, including with the City of Armadale on Graceland Parade. Additionally, we are considering other improvements, such as an Under Cover Area on the Netball Courts, converting the old Gym into a Community and Performing Arts Precinct, establishing a Student Services and Community Support Hub on Skeet Rd, constructing a Creative Technologies and STEM Building on Skeet Rd, creating a New Student Entry, and implementing a Kiss and Drop Car Park off Skeet Road.

To turn this vision into a reality, we will be seeking the support and active involvement of our community. We are presently engaged in discussions with the Department of Education and our local representatives to advance this exciting endeavour. Keep an eye out for more updates on these proposals in the near future!

As we enter the summer months, we kindly request parents to ensure that their children bring their hats for protection from the summer heat and that they are in full school uniform. Our school uniform is a symbol of the pride we have in our school. Please encourage your child to wear their uniform with a strong sense of school spirit, embracing what it means to be a Harrisdale Senior School student.

Finally, in closing, I would like to take a moment to share a few words that we will be using in our new prospectus and as we develop our marketing strategy for 2024 and beyond. This will align with our new business plan for 2024 - 2028, set to launch in February, and resonate with the ideals of our new school motto: "Excellence Everywhere."

Excellence is everywhere at Harrisdale Senior High School.

We are the scholars of curiosity and academic enrichment at every corner.

In the arts our students are moved with classical overtures that build creativity and inspiration.

We are champions that are bound for glory in every arena.

We seek knowledge that is exponentially part of our quest to achieve our personal best.

Our culture supports growth and builds heroes that care with a positive spirit that binds us together as one.

We are Harrisdale where dreams come true because we believe in YOU!

Everal Eaton
Principal

2023 INTRASCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

SHOOTING STARS, SKEET!

What an amazing day the Sports Carnival was in Term 3.

It was an outstanding effort by all involved especially the Physical Education and Health Team who went above and beyond. A big thanks to the leadership of Matt Adams who we know worked tirelessly to ensure the event went well and was organised so all could enjoy.

Events like this help to build school spirit and connection.

The students were well engaged and did their House Teams proud.

A big thanks too for those staff on duties, and all our wonderful students whose laughter was infectious on the day!



House	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10/11/12	Total	Place
Forrest	1583	1157	1342	2520	6602	3 rd
Harris	1333	1483	1592	2192	6600	4 th
Keane	1382	1641	1587	2454	7064	2 nd
Skeet	1615	2039	1354	3609	8617	1 st



YEAR 11 ADDRESS

BY CHENEY ARMSTRONG



As we near the end of another school year, we reflect on the incredible journey we've been on so far. This year has been filled with academic challenges, personal growth and unforgettable memories. We remember the many presentations and excursions we were a part of including, Clearing the Air Vaping Presentation, It only Takes One: Healthy Relationships program, Study Hacks with Jane Genovese, Headspace and Zero2Hero Youth Mental Health, SkillsWest excursion and many more.

In preparation for the Year 12 school ball, please keep an eye out for more upcoming fundraising opportunities like the Term 2 Movie Night. Remember, the more we can fundraise, the better the experience will be.

We congratulate the 2024 Student Council and the newly elected Head Students, who will lead our cohort through their final year.

Nathaniel de Marchi - Head Student

Harbal Kaur - Head Student

Sophia Idroz Shah - Associate Head Student

Tuyi Taratara - Associate Head Student

Thidasi Lihiniyakumara

Zaid Al-Asaedi

Hope Hodgson

Sethumi Ilandarage

Umairah Khan

Taha Akram

Francheska Dulay

Tanvi Misra

As the ATAR students approach their upcoming exams and we wish them the best of luck. May they conquer them with confidence and excel in their subjects. We will say farewell to our Vet and General students in Week 5 as they prepare to finish their year successfully and enjoy a well-deserved break.

LEADERSHIP CAMP

We are excited to share the highlights and experiences from this year's Student Councillor **Leadership Camp**, which took place on the 11th and 12th of September at Woodman Point Recreation Camp. The camp was a remarkable journey filled with teambuilding activities, breathwork and stress management sessions and educational workshops for our student council members.

The camp brought together student council members from across Year 10 and 11 uniting them with a shared purpose: to enhance their leadership skills in order to make a lasting impact on their school and community. Throughout the camp, students engaged in a series of workshops and interactive sessions.

Topics included leadership principles, effective communication, active listening, stress and time management. These sessions equipped our young leaders with the knowledge and tools to succeed in their role.

Team-building activities were a highlight of the camp, strengthening relationships and promoting teamwork among participants. Blindfold exercises, problem-solving challenges, public speaking and team tasks allowed students to connect on a deeper level, fostering a sense of unity and collaboration.



HOME ECONOMICS

BREAK THE BARRIER - DENIM PROJECT



BY EMMA PAYNE & YVONNE BARTON

Some of our year 10 textile students are at the finishing stages of their denim jackets.

These denim jackets were donated and our students have embellished them for sale, all proceeds will go to a family violence charity, called the 'Chosen Church.'

The brief! To be aesthetically pleasing, functional and using an embellishment technique to incorporate a theme that is symbolic and inspirational, while spreading awareness for family violence. Well done, we think they are wonderful!



THE ARTS

BY TAYLA CURTIS



CANNING ART AWARDS

On Friday the 15th of September, several Harrisdale Senior High School students exhibited their work in the annual Canning Art Awards at Riverton Library. The Canning Art Awards are a professional curated and judged exhibition and provide attendees with an impressive show of high-calibre and diverse artwork from adults and young artists (aged 12-17 years).

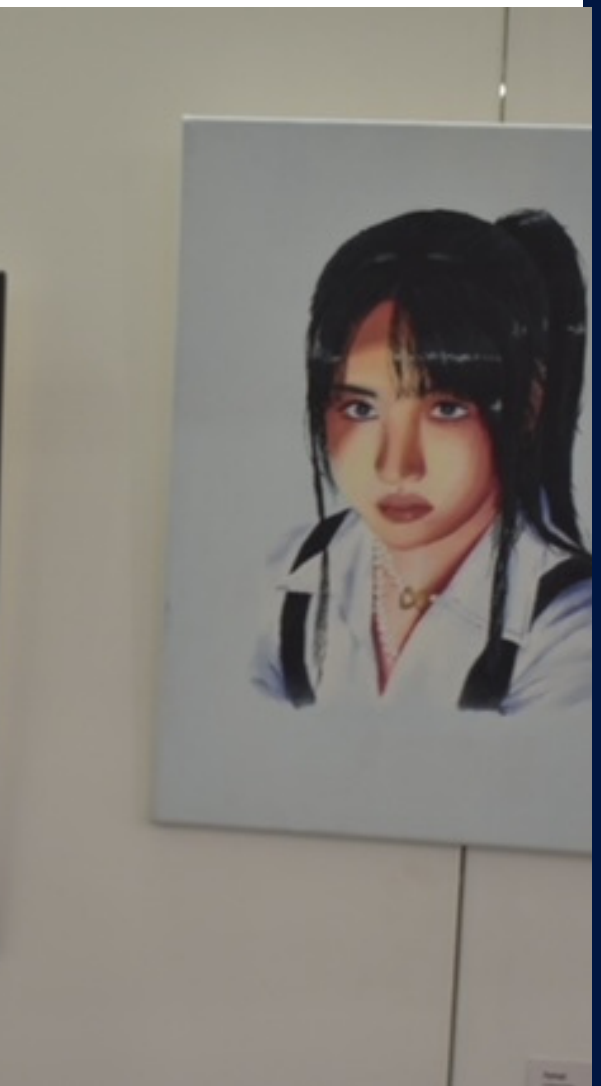
A big congratulations to all students who entered, and a special shout-out to the following students who were awarded 1st prizes and commendations in several categories, your hard-work and talent is recognised and we are so proud!

Emashi De Silva (Y11 ATAR Visual Arts)
Winner of the Young Artist
Painting Category

Paul Mate (Y11 GEN Design)
Winner of the Young Artist
Mixed Media Category

Alicia Lee (Y10 Fashion & Design)
Commendation in the Young Artist
3D Sculpture/Textile Category

Nayonika Murali Manohar
(Y9 Specialist Visual Arts)
Commendation in the Young Artist
Painting Category



THE ARTS



BY JUSTINE O'BRIEN, CAROLINE EDWARDS & TAYLA FORDHAM

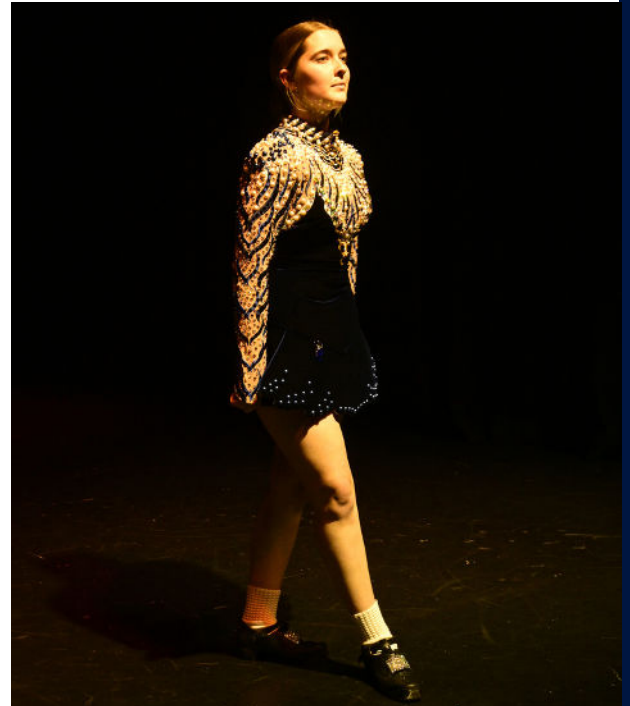
UPPER SCHOOL DANCE SHOWCASE

We had a full house in the Performing Arts Centre at the end of last Term, with parents and families coming together to witness the incredible talents of our students as they performed a diverse range of dance genres.

Our students absolutely shone and left the audience in awe. What truly stood out was the unwavering dedication and passion of our teachers who consistently go the extra mile to nurture these talents.

It was evident that our students take immense joy in performing at such a high standard.

Thank you to all the students and teachers who were part of presenting this sensational show. Bravo!



HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES



BY ROSINDA SEARA PSM, HEAD OF LEARNING AREA -

The count down is on for the Mock exams. 4 students of the Year 12 ATAR Modern History class took the opportunity to attend the revision seminar put in place by the History Teachers Association of WA. 2 attended in person and 2 attended via Zoom. Thank you for attending on Saturday Ella, Adriel, Brandon and Eleanor.

I am sure you will find the revision notes and perspectives presented to you will value add and help you to be more prepared for your up- coming exams.



NEXT GENERATION by Andrew Mattin



This year, students from some Harrisdale's Year 9 classes have once again participated in the Energy Club of WA's Next Generation school program.

As part of the program, experts from across WA's energy industry have been speaking to students about its activities along with the many and varied potential career paths available. This included a 'panel day' on the second last day of Term 3, where students got to work in small groups with engineers, health and safety, recruitment, and business strategy specialists on their work and career paths.

To get some ideas for their own future career choices, the Year 9 students were able to ask specific questions about the experts' work lives, study, travels, and the positives and negatives of their different jobs.



WE ENJOYED THE CONVERSATIONS WITH BILL AND ANDRE. BILL TOLD US TO FOLLOW OUR PASSION AND NOT BE PRESSURED INTO DOING THE CONVENTIONAL UNIVERSITY OR TAFE. ANDRE TOLD US ABOUT HAVING FUN WHILE WORKING BY TRAVELLING AND HELPING PEOPLE.

- AARON

STUDENT REFLECTIONS

A THING THAT I ENJOYED ABOUT THE NEXT GENERATION PROGRAM WAS GETTING TO LISTEN TO THE STORIES OF THEIR CAREERS AND HOW THEY SUCCEEDED IN FINDING THE RIGHT PATHWAY THAT THEY ENJOY.

- YUNI

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

ATAR POLITICS AND LAW EXCURSION

BY HEIDI NICKOLAI



On Monday, 4 September, the Year 11 ATAR Politics and Law class had a very enjoyable and educational excursion to the Supreme Court of WA and to the State Parliament.

We started our day at the Old Court House Law Museum, which was opened in 1837 and served as the Swan River Colony's courthouse, town hall, church and school. Organised and facilitated by Dean Curtis of the Francis Burt Law Centre, we were shown around the museum then taken on a tour of the Supreme Court of WA. We were then taken across to the Magistrates Court where we observed one of the courtrooms in session.

This part of the tour made a very strong impact on the students as we could see and hear the prisoners via video link, and we were seated in the same area as their families.

It was then back to the Old Court House to participate in a mock trial based on the real-life case of Audrey Jacobs who dramatically shot and killed her fiancé on the dance floor of the nearby Government House Ballroom in 1925.

The students enjoyed being able to demonstrate their acting abilities and Mr Curtis and the ECU pre-service teachers, who were on the tour with us, were impressed with their flair for the dramatic! After lunch, gelato, and soccer at the scenic King's Park we walked to Parliament where our tour guide, David of YouTube Auspol fame, led us on a highly entertaining tour of the State Government Executive meeting room (cabinet), the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council. We were very generously each given a pin depicting Parliament House.



HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES YOUNG HISTORIANS EXCURSION

BY CASSIE NIQUET



The aim of the excursion to the WA Museum was to introduce students to the level of detail required of a museum display and the amount of research that goes into curating the displays and the range of sources that can be used.

It also introduced students to ancient civilisations, specifically Ancient Egypt, which is what we will be focusing on this term.



I LEARNT WHAT A HEART SCARAB IS, THE HEART SCARAB WAS INTERESTING BECAUSE OF WHY THEY USED IT. TODAY CONTRIBUTED TO YOUNG HISTORIANS BY TEACHING THE HISTORY OF EGYPT. MY FAVOURITE PART WAS SEEING THE FROG. - DEMI



I LIKED LOOKING AT THE JEWELLERY FROM ANCIENT EGYPT. IT TAUGHT ME ABOUT WHAT DIFFERENT COLOURS AND SYMBOLS MEANT WHEN WORN DURING THAT TIME. - KAYLEE

STUDENT REFLECTIONS

I LEARNT ABOUT DIFFERENT PHAROS AND THEIR SIGNIFICANCE IN THAT TIME PERIOD. AN INTERESTING THING I LEARNT IS THAT EGYPTIANS USE SMALL DRAWINGS AS AN ALPHABET. FOR EXAMPLE, A BIRD WAS AN 'A'. THIS EXCURSION CONTRIBUTED TO MY UNDERSTANDING OF YOUNG HISTORIANS BECAUSE IT SHOWED ME HOW DIFFERENT TIME PERIODS CAN EVOLVE AND HOW LIFE CAN CHANGE.

ABIYA

I LEARNT ABOUT DEAD BODIES THAT WERE WRAPPED IN LINEN IN THE ANCIENT HISTORY. IT WAS INTERESTING BECAUSE THEY WERE ONCE ALIVE AND BECAUSE WE ARE LEARNING ABOUT IT IN YOUNG HISTORIANS. - ABIGAIL



HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES ECONOMICS ESCAPE ROOM



BY LISA YANG & TREVOR ROSSITER

In week 9 of Term 3, several classes of Year 8 and 9 HASS students participated in an Economics Escape Room activity.

Working in teams, students had to decipher codes and puzzles with an economic theme to escape the school before the bell.

All groups worked well as teams and the students were engaged and involved in all aspects of the activities.

Mr Rossiter and Ms Yang were very impressed with how well the students participated and look forward to do this activity again in the future.



AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHY COMP 2023

Congratulations to the 3 students who have achieved an outstanding result - Top 1% in their level of the 2023 Australian Geography competition. Mihin's, (year 8) result was in the top 0.2%, Jayden's (year 9) result was in the top 0.36% in Australia and John Barizo, a Gifted and Talented Year 9 student.

The Humanities and Social Sciences learning area provides the opportunity for all students in years 7 to 10 plus Upper School students studying Geography to enter the competition. We are very pleased to announce that in addition to the top 1% results we also have 31 students across the 4 cohorts with High Distinction and 44 students with Distinction.

At Harrisdale we have had great success with this competition since 2018 and this year once again, 5% of the students who participated achieved a distinction or above.

All students who entered will receive a certificate and their participation is also celebrated.



CELEBRATING OUR GIFTED & TALENTED STUDENTS

BY HAYLEY BETTERMAN, GIFTED & TALENTED PROGRAM
CO-ORDINATOR

MINISTER'S INNOVATION CHALLENGE

Nurturing Innovators

Our Gifted and Talented students redefine problem-solving with Design Thinking.

In the realm of creative problem-solving, our Gifted and Talented students are forging a path like no other.

Armed with the Design Thinking model, they're gearing up to tackle local issues through a process that embraces empathy, ideation and collaboration.

These young visionaries are not just dreaming; they're preparing to present their pitches, unveil prototypes, research and survey potential customers; then bring their inventive solutions to life.

Sympathetic to environmental sustainability and community well-being, their projects encompass home-grown local challenges.

Stay tuned to witness their extraordinary capabilities and the transformative impact they are set to make on our community. Innovation is the name of the game and they're playing it brilliantly!

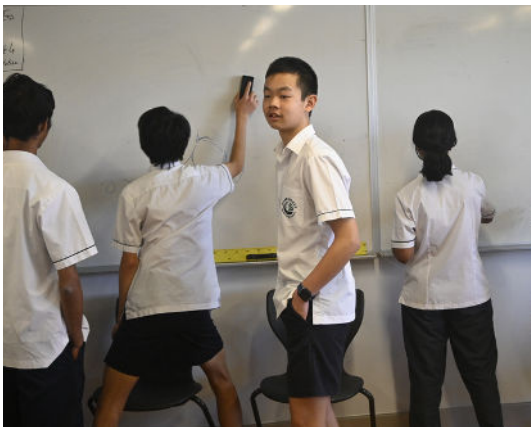


GTSU PARENT NIGHT

On October 25, Harrisdale Senior High School hosted, Jo Kemps Principal Consultant of the Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Unit, as she outlined the application process to prospective GAT students keen to become the Class of 2025.

It was such a pleasure to welcome so many new families into the school where we could outline the wonderful programs we have here at HSHS. Our new GAT student leadership program - the Student Ambassadors, under the guidance of our Lead (student) Ambassadors, created a welcoming atmosphere and they ensured the event ran smoothly. Gabrielle Gill spoke about her experiences in the program in front of about 250 people and she did so, with professionalism and passion.

Many thanks to the students and staff who always represent our school with such pride!



HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

BY AMANDA UPTON



EMPOWERING HEALTH AWARENESS: YEAR 11 HEALTH EXPO ENLIGHTENS YOUNGER STUDENTS

Our Year 11 Health Studies students organised and hosted a Health Expo aimed at educating our younger students about crucial health issues.

This event provided a platform for upper school students to share valuable knowledge on topics such as vaping and smoking, diabetes, skin cancer and sun safety, cardiovascular disease, mental health, back pain, and asthma.

The event was not only informative but also a testament to the caring and responsible student body we have at our school.

The Health Expo was a well-rounded educational experience, featuring informative booths and engaging presentations. Year 11 students volunteered their time and expertise to create interactive displays, answer questions, and facilitate discussions on various health topics. It was heartening to witness the dedication and enthusiasm with which they approached this initiative. Understanding the significance of mental health, the Expo included discussions on stress management, anxiety, and the importance of seeking help when needed. It was reassuring to see our students emphasise the value of open communication and support.

The Year 11 Health Expo was a resounding success, leaving a strong impression on both students and staff. It serves as a reminder that knowledge is power, and when our students come together to share that knowledge, they can make a profound impact on the health and well-being of our entire school community. We look forward to more such initiatives and commend our students for their dedication to creating a healthier and more informed tomorrow.



HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

BY AMANDA UPTON, HEALTH & PHYS ED TEACHER

CELEBRATING DIVERSITY & SUCCESS AT THE NETBALL WA MULTICULTURAL CARNIVAL 2023

Our Year 8-10 Netball Specialist students recently participated in the Netball WA Multicultural Carnival, an event that not only celebrated diversity but also showcased our school's exceptional talent. We are thrilled to announce that our Year 10 and Year 8 teams performed outstandingly, securing the second position in this prestigious competition. This event not only highlighted our students' athletic prowess but also underscored the importance of embracing multiculturalism in our community.

The Netball WA Multicultural Carnival, held annually, brings together schools and communities from diverse backgrounds to celebrate multiculturalism through the love of sport. Our school was proud to represent our community at this event, where cultures from around the world converged on the netball court. Our Year 10 netball team displayed exceptional teamwork and skill throughout the tournament, eventually securing the second position. Their dedication to practice and their sportsmanship on the field were truly commendable. The Year 10 team's achievement not only demonstrates their commitment to excelling in their chosen sport but also serves as an inspiration to all our students.

Not to be outdone, our Year 8 netball team also clinched the second position in their division. This remarkable achievement showcases the incredible potential of our younger students and their bright future in netball. Their determination, resilience, and ability to compete at this level are testament to their hard work and the guidance of their dedicated coaches.



The Netball WA Multicultural Carnival is a reminder that sports have the power to bring people from various backgrounds together, fostering understanding and unity. Our school's participation in this event sends a strong message about our commitment to inclusivity and celebrating the rich tapestry of cultures that make up our community. A big round of applause goes to our dedicated coaches, teachers, and parents who supported our teams throughout their journey.

Their encouragement, guidance, and enthusiasm were instrumental in our students' success. Congratulations to all our participants, and we look forward to another successful carnival next year!

HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION

BY HEATHER BRAY, HEALTH & PHYS ED TEACHER

VOLLEYBALL WA HIGH SCHOOLS CUP 2023

Over three days Friday 18 August, Thursday 24 August and Friday 25 August we had 10 teams head out on their specific day to participate in their volleyball competition.

Our open boys were our first ever team to be entered in the highest division (honours), where they played with gusto and left everything out on court.

Making it to the finals, they unfortunately got knocked out by Hale in a close game. We look forward to what they can do next year.

With our other teams we had open girls finish 7th in A div, year 10 boys finished 2nd in A div, year 10 girls finished 9th in A div, year 9 boys finished 5th in A div, year 8 boys finished 1st in A div, year 8 girls finished 3rd in A div, year 7 boys finished 2nd in B div and year 7 girls finished 1st in B div with Sonal Mungi coming away with MVP in the grand final match!

Thank you to all the students and their hard work that they have put in over the year, its great to see that it does pay off with some great results taken away from the competition.

I would also like to give a big thank you to the coaches who have taken on teams this year, Josh Sutherland, Lucas Tan, Rhylee Hand and not to mention Mr Fiegert who stepped in and helped out. Mr Dudfield as always, thank you for all your efforts and assistance throughout the year.

We have one more competition to go in the VWA Beach Cup in Term 4, I hope to see you there.



VET & WORKPLACE LEARNING

BY TANIA BYRNES, CAREER PRACTITIONER / DUKE OF EDINBURGH COORDINATOR

BEAUTY SCHOOL DROP-INS!

Our Second group of Year 9 students attended Murdoch TAFE campus as there was a huge demand of interest in exploring careers in the Beauty Therapy industry. There are many opportunities in this sector including; massage, makeup, nails, cosmetic tattoos and lashes.

Students learned about the Certificate III, Certificate IV and Diploma in Beauty Therapy. They explored the flexibility of work opportunities including the option to have a home salon, travel and work all over the world including cruise ships.

The girls completed two sessions, one involving a manicure and nail art, the other learning how to apply false lashes. They also had a tour of the cutting edge Beauty Facilities at the Mandurah Campus.



REAL WORLD SKILLS IN THE TOURISM INDUSTRY

Selected Year 8 students will participate in an immersive excursion travelling to Toodyay, experiencing several tourism activities and exploring occupations and industries in rural Western Australia. They will explore a local memorial site, the local gaol, the footbridge, Christmas shop and Cola Cafe.

This will complement their English studies they are currently undertaking in the horror genre, which has followed on from their exploration of the Tourism Industry in their last English topic. It will provide them with an opportunity to identify industries and occupations throughout their journey and their activities for the day.



VET & WORKPLACE LEARNING

BY KELLY LACQUIERE, WORKPLACE LEARNING SUPPORT OFFICER

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITIES

As part of the VET/Workplace Learning program our students are exposed to many different employment environments in the form of work experience or school based traineeships. Year 12 student, Lucas won an opportunity in Year 11 to complete an 18 month school based traineeship with the Department of Communities resulting in a Certificate II in Government qualification.

Lucas has recently successfully completed his traineeship and has since accepted a full-time position within the Department of Communities. His work was so highly regarded that he had his pick of Departments, and was acknowledged through his very own graduation celebration, attended by colleagues, parents and Harrisdale Senior High School VTP staff.



Workplace learning offers a multitude of benefits for our students, they receive hands-on experience, allowing students to apply their skills in a real world setting. Our students gain practical knowledge, develop industry specific skills and build a professional network. Workplace learning helps students build their confidence, improve their employability and aid in their growth and development.

WA STUDENT COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

Shriya Bhat

Year 9



Harrisdale Senior High School

WA State Student Council Nominee

Two of our Year 9 councillors, Shriya Bhat and Tanusha Dayananda have put their nominations forward to the WA Student Council. Should they be successful, their role will be to advise the Department of Education on education policy and reform as well as act as ambassadors for WA student leaders.

Both Shriya and Tanusha worked tirelessly to write their script and complete their respective applications. A special thanks to Mr Davies who gave them a lot of guidance along the way and to the HSHS marketing team who helped the girls make their nomination videos.

We wish them both the best of luck and do hope that they are successful in this endeavour.



Hello!
My name is
Tanusha
Dayananda

MUSIC



BY PAMELA BARRETT, MUSIC COORDINATOR

We are thrilled to share some remarkable achievements that our school ensembles and talented students have accomplished in the world of music in Term 3.

It's a testament to the dedication, hard work, and exceptional talent within our school community.

Our school ensembles have once again shone brightly on stage at several highly regarded annual music festivals held throughout Western Australia. These events have brought together some of the finest young musicians from across the state to showcase their talents and represent their schools.

Adjudicators have included Perth tertiary institution faculty, tertiary institution faculty from the Eastern states, and highly regarded professionals from the United States.

In addition to our ensemble achievements, we'd like to shine a spotlight on two exceptional individual students.

Congratulations to two of our Year 7 students Annabelle Kurniawan, who received a "Highly Commended" award in the solo Grade 7 piano recital section of the WAMTA Recital and Concerto Competition 2023.

And Enoch Samuel in Year 7 who achieved a "High Distinction" in his AMEB Grade 3 violin exam.



ENSEMBLE EXCELLENCE

Harrisdale Symphonic Winds 1:

Achieved an 'Outstanding' rating in the WA Schools' Senior Concert Bands Festival Division B.

Harrisdale Symphonic Winds 2:

Earned an 'Excellent' rating in the WA Schools' Senior Concert Bands Festival Division C.

Harrisdale SHS Stage Band:

Delivered an 'Excellent' performance in the WA Schools' Jazz Festival.

Harrisdale SHS Classical Guitar Ensemble 1:

Distinguished themselves with an 'Outstanding' performance at the WA Classical Guitar Festival.

Harrisdale SHS Choir:

Received an 'Excellent' rating at the Public Secondary Schools Choral Festival.

Harrisdale SHS Chamber Chorale:

Also earned an 'Excellent' rating at the Public Secondary Schools Choral Festival.

Harrisdale Symphonic Winds 3:

Showcased their talent with an 'Excellent' performance in the WA Schools' Junior Concert Bands Festival.



MUSIC

BY EVIE, SETHUMI, SELENE, THIDAS AND SEAN



2023 HSHS MUSIC CONCERT

The 2023 Music Concert was a truly memorable and heartfelt evening, filled with vibrant music and joy. The Music Concert is the most anticipated night of the year for our many music students as it allows us to showcase all the hard work we have done throughout the year. Reflecting this, all of the performances on Thursday night were spectacular and engaging and showcased the amazing talents of our music community. It was a true privilege being able to perform on stage with our peers and to share our love for music. Scores so rich with emotion, it brought tears to the eyes of the audience.

With the perseverance and determination of both the staff and students, this production was a truly marvellous feat. The night featured many talented youths and a range of repertoire. Guests were thrilled to see the progression of the students. Thursday night presented much-loved music for everyone to enjoy, from classics like 'Valerie' by Amy Winehouse and 'The Bluey Theme Song' performed by the Saxophone ensemble, nostalgic movie music like 'How to Train Your Dragon,' and 'Disney Spectacular,' by our very own Winds 1.

Additionally, we had the pleasure to welcome the highly anticipated String Ensemble to the stage, as they performed 'Perfect' and 'Canon in D'. While it was disheartening to say goodbye to our year 12s, it was amazing to share one last night with them where we were able to make music one last time.



ENGLISH

THE MOVING FINGER WRITING CLUB

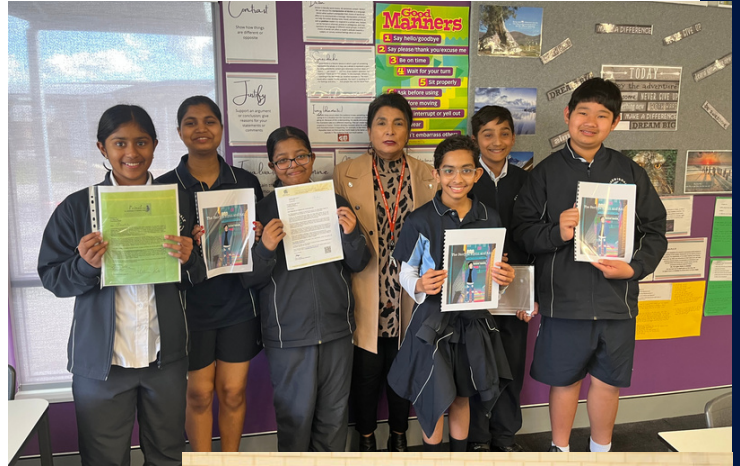


BY JENNIFER RALPH

The Writers' Club is an emerging project aimed at developing the love and passion for writing. Harrisdale SHS is fortunate to have an abundance of talented students who show the ability and proficiency to craft, draft and write short stories, enter competitions and just share the love of writing with their peers.

They are developing skills and strategies on how to write narratives. If anyone is interested in joining our bubbly group of creatives on their journey of becoming accomplished writers, come along on Wednesday afternoons, 3-4pm.

This group of budding writers have just entered the Craig Silvey Competition for Young Writers -2023. We wish them the very best in this competition!



BOOK WEEK 2023

2023 marked Harrisdale SHS's first ever Book Week. A massive thank-you to Ms Logarajah for organising exciting and educational activities; a book talk with award winning author Kate McCaffrey, "Writing a Book in a Day" for our Year 8 GAT students, a range of literature themed morning quizzes for our entire school, the "Tell a story in 25 sentences" challenge for upper school students and most exciting of all, the Book Week dress-up, which saw many of our students and staff drawing on their creative flair to dress as their favourite characters in literature.

Running in conjunction with Book Week was our series of Visual Literacy incursions, organised and presented by the Fremantle Literature Centre and geared specifically towards our Year 7 students.



ENGLISH

THEATRE, POETRY AND MORE!

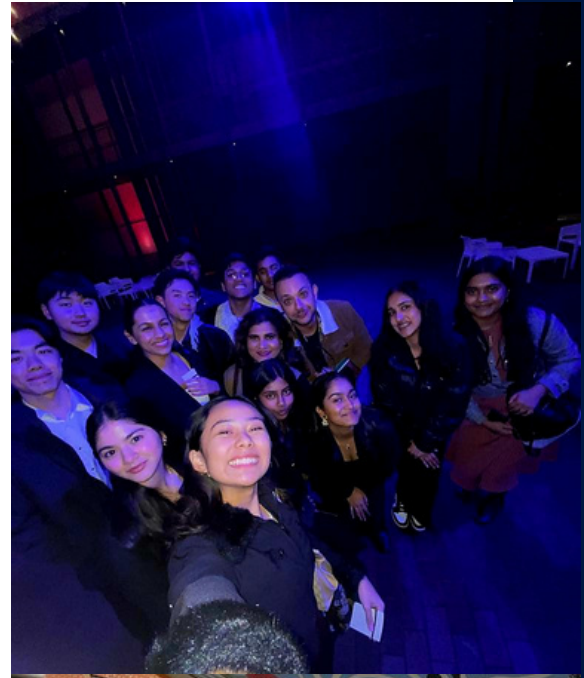
BY DEJAN DUKIC

It was a very exciting term 3 for the English department running a range of incursions and excursions to enrich the learning experience for our wonderful students. Our Year 11 and 12 Literature students were treated to live stage performances of the plays; "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and "Twelfth Night." They were delighted with the comedic theatrics of each performance, and it was wonderful to see them all scrub up into polished and sophisticated theatre-viewing young adults.

The Year 12 students also took part in the annual Curtin University English and Literature conference. It involved students engaging in lectures and tutorials delivered by specialist presenters from the English, Writing and Cultural Studies disciplines, on a range of varying topics and to get a taste of the university life that awaits them next year. A big thank-you to all our wonderful teachers for sacrificing their time and making the 2-day seminar the success that it was.

English students were also privileged to have the Poetry in Action crew stage a series of live performances at our school. Poetry In Action is an innovative touring theatre company with an enduring dedication to unlocking the power of words for everyone. Geared specifically towards our extension and GAT students, the crew delivered performances focusing on the poetry of Wilfred Owen, Maya Angelou and Sylvia Plath to name a few.

Finally, to round up the exciting term, a special congratulations to Annlia Santhosh in Year 11 who won the FIRST PRIZE in Armadale City Council's Young Writer's Awards on Friday 1st of September! She was the recipient of a \$200 cash prize in a competition involving all schools in the Armadale City area.



INTERACT CLUB

BOOK DRIVE 2023

BY ROSINDA SEARA PSM, INTERACT CLUB COORDINATOR

The Harrisdale Interact Club has been running for 6 years. We started in 2018 with a few members and now have 55 members.

Over the years, the Interact members have served Breakfast to thousands of students, cooked thousands of sausages for the cohort sausage sizzles, raised funds for charity, prepared Christmas boxes and donated hundreds of books.

Through all this the rotary Club of Southern Districts has supported the Interact Club financially and provided speakers and opportunities such as RYPEN for the students from Harrisdale to attend and build their leadership skills.

On Tuesday night the former Interact club President Sonia Shah along with current president Harbal Kaur and the coordinators of the Interact Club Mrs Rosinda Seara, Mr Andrew Mattin and Mr Joshua Van Breukelen attended a dinner at the club. The rotary club wanted to hear about our activities and pledged to continue their support. This term, the Harrisdale Interact Club will be conducting a book drive. We are looking for preloved books that are still in good condition and suitable for teens or younger.

Students can drop off the books at Student Services, Upper School Office and the HASS office.

We really hope you can join us in making an effort to make a difference in someone's life; and allow them to access books like we as kids did.



CITIZEN AWARD!

WA Portuguese Citizen of the Year Awards 2023 recognises any individual of Portuguese heritage can be nominated for The WA Portuguese Citizen of the Year Award, provided that they have had a meaningful impact on those around them. Nominees come from all sectors of the community and demonstrate that they have made life better for those around them.

There are 6 categories; Arts and Culture, Business, Community, Profession, Sports and Youth.

The winner of the Arts and Culture Award was our very own Rosinda Seara who stands as a shining example of unwavering commitment to education. Her contributions to the field are nothing short of extraordinary, leaving an indelible mark on both her students and the educational community. Her numerous accolades include the prestigious Australian government Public Service Medal, a testament to her dedication and profound impact on education. She has also been recognised as the 'Premier Teacher of the Year' for her exceptional teaching abilities and influence on the next generation.



SCIENCE



THE TITRATION STAKES

BY KAREN SMITH - HEAD OF SCIENCE

Five Harrisdale SHS teams took part in the 'Titration Stakes' challenge to identify an unknown solid sample of potassium hydrogen plithate commonly known as KHP.

Both pipetting and buretting skills were tested to the limit, in this tough competition to standardise sodium hydroxide and then use this, to find an unknown amount of KHP.

Some of our students competed at Curtin University along with other schools. Our top team came out 52nd out of 87 teams which is a great effort for our first time competing.

Well done everyone involved!



ANIMAL ARK VISIT

BY ELLA PALMER- SCIENCE TEACHER



Did you know that the death adder stores faeces inside its body for months? By retaining body mass, it can produce a more forceful strike when ambushing its prey!

The year 11 ATAR Biology students have been studying various body systems in multicellular organisms, including the fascinating excretory systems of reptiles.

On the final day of term 3, they got to see these creatures up close with an incursion from Animal Ark.

Students patted shinglebacks and bluetongue lizards, played with green tree frogs and stick insects, and even held an enormous olive python!

Congratulations to all involved, as not one person let fear get the better of them.

HARRISDALE HEROES - OUR CAPELESS CRUSADERS

This page celebrates and humbly brags about fabulous humans from the Harrisdale Senior High School community.

JIU-JITSU WINNER

Our talented Year 7 student, Tatum Aw represented WA to participate in the National Brazilian Jiu-jitsu Competition over in Melbourne, Victoria on the last weekend in August.

We are very proud to announce that he came in 1st place, making him the National Champion of 2023 in his division. Well done Tatum!



DRAGON BOAT RACING CHAMPIONSHIPS



In August, Anna Foucar (one of our fabulous English teachers!) competed at the 16th IDBF World Dragon Boat Racing Championships in the Premier Division.

The women walked away with a 4th place in the 200m and 500m Women's Standard Boat, 5th in the Women's Standard 1km and a 3rd place (a bronze medal) in the Women's Standard 2km race.

A standard boat includes 20 paddlers, 1 Drummer and 1 Sweep.



BRAVE HAIR DARE!

On September 16, our Year 10 student Teagan Saunders chopped 9 inches off her long locks in support of the Australian Cancer Research Foundation. Teagan said, "I chose to support ACRF because cancer is a horrible disease that has taken so much from me, my family and my friends. Through this fundraiser, I hope to contribute to a cancer free future." Well done Teagan!

Please support if you can:
fundraise.acrf.com.au/fundraiser/teaghansaunders



ADOLESCENT SUPPORT SERVICES!

From our SCHOOL HEALTH NURSES



Kids Helpline is a free, private and confidential telephone and online counselling service specifically for young people aged between 5 and 25 years. You can phone the helpline anytime on 1800 55 1800, or visit the website at www.kidshelp.com.au.



YouthBeyondBlue aims to equip young people with the knowledge and skills to maintain their own good mental health and wellbeing and to help recognise symptoms in people close to them. An online chat service and 24 hour telephone support line is available to assist young people to find the help they need. Go to <https://www.youthbeyondblue.com/> or call 1300 22 4636.

YouthLink is a Perth based service that assists young people, aged 13-24 years of age, who experience difficulties with their emotional or social well-being. It is a free and confidential counselling service, with experienced support workers who are friendly, non-judgemental and understanding. Free interpreting can be arranged to assist with communication if required. YouthLink is located at 223 James St, Northbridge or you can phone 1300 362 569 or visit <http://www.youthlink.perthwa.net/>.



ReachOut.com is an online mental health organisation for young people, providing practical support with a range of youth issues not just limited to mental health but also sexual health, relationships, abuse, cyber-bullying, body image, drug use and more. This website is suitable for students, parents and health professionals and provides links to emergency counselling, resources and useful tips. www.reachout.com.au



Headspace is the National Youth Mental Health Foundation providing early intervention mental health services to 12-25 year olds, along with assistance in promoting young peoples' wellbeing. This covers four core areas: mental health, physical health, work and study support and alcohol and other drug services. Go to www.headspace.org.au

If you have a concern about your child's health or wellbeing, please contact us on:

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(Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday)

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Child and Adolescent Health Service

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!

A HAPPY HELLO's!

THANK YOU FROM THE
HSHS P&C ASSOCIATION!



**YEAR 6 -
TRANSITION DAY!
NOVEMBER 11 2023**

HARRISDALE Senior High School

UNIFORM DRIVE!

CALLING out for donations of used or new Harrisdale SHS uniforms to those in need.

- 📍 Drop off at Student Services
- 🕒 During School Times

HARRISDALE SENIOR SCHOOL PRESENTS

THE 30 STEPS
Abridged

OCTOBER 25TH
7PM
HARRISDALE PAC

**YR 10
DINNER
DANCE**

EAST FREQ SAILING CLUB
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 17TH



MO-VE-MBER AT HARRISDALE SHS

SUPPORT SOME OF OUR
TEACHERS IN NOVEMBER!
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