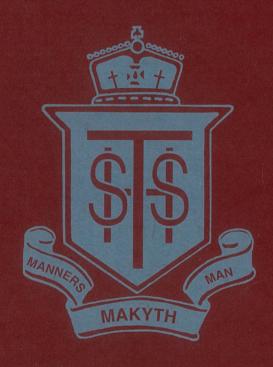
## SYDNEY TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL



Journal 2003

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#### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

What a successful year 2003 has been for the school community. The school is very fortunate to have the support of wonderful parent groups who spend countless hours ensuring the best possible resources and programs are available for all the boys. The Parents and Citizens Association have provided opportunities for parents to learn about programs in operating within the school and have invited guest speakers on special interest topics. Most importantly the P& C Association donation continues to fund the school's state of the art computer network. This donation, paid by many parents each year, pays for the leases on all computer hardware in the school, ensuring that your son has access to the latest in technology. Thank you to Kathy Andrianakos and the executive of the P&C for your work this year.

The Music Support Group have maintained their drive and determination to support the music programs in the school. The 2003 Musicale was enormously successful and considerable funds were given for the provision of quality programs and resources for the curricula and co-curricula music programs. Thank you to Pauline Burdon and her committee for tireless efforts.

The new Debating Support Group has provided an avenue for talented debaters to further develop their skills. Professional debating coaches have provided quality workshops for over thirty students from Sydney Tech and St George Girls. Thank you to Chris Nash for his perseverance in getting this important new group off the ground. Future projects include social debating competitions to give these students opportunities to demonstrate their skills.

An opportunity for all parents to assist the school has been initiated this year. A building fund has been instituted and the first project will be the restoration and renovation of the Golden Jubilee Swimming Pool. I am hoping that this fund will gain much needed financial support from parents and ex-students of the school. The pool is in a very sad state at present and this wonderful asset must be maintained for future generations of Tech students.

The highlights of any school year are, with no exception, the wonderful achievements of our marvellous young men. The Year 12 Commonwealth Bank Senior Debating team were second in the state final. It was with enormous pride that a large band of supporters watched these fine young men perform. Congratulations to Andrew Errington, Jagadish Gorrepati and James Myint and to their coach Neil Melvin. You are the number one public school in senior debating in NSW. The inaugural Year 9 acceleration class in Preliminary Information Processes and Technology has been enormously successful and this project will continue with a new group commencing their studies in 2004. The Interdisciplinary Disciplinary Project continues to be at the forefront of gifted and talented education. This program has been adopted by other selective high schools and is recognised as quality pedagogy. Congratulations and thanks to Peter Heath and the teachers and students who applied the practices of productive pedagogy to the project to make it a truly authentic rich task. Equally the Year 7 transition program has been recognised by the Department of Education and Training as a quality program recommended to other schools in NSW. Congratulations to Mr Roper and the teacher who deliver these activities to our new Year 7 students.

My thanks to the wonderful staff of this school. Their dedication to your sons goes well beyond the classroom. The young man who graduates from Sydney Technical High School is confident, articulate, an independent learner, whose skills and talent have been recognised and nurtured by our professional team of teachers.

Finally congratulations to all students for another fantastic vear.



#### THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS' MESSAGES

One exciting focus of school life in 2003 has been the continuing development of the historical perspective of the school and a genuine attempt to celebrate it. This has occurred on two fronts: contact with past students through reunions and visits to their old school for events such as the ANZAC Day ceremony, and the development of the photographic history of the school in prominent places in the school.

Last year we created "The Ultimo Collection", photos of the school at its first site 1911 to 1925. At the beginning of this year we developed "The Bexley Collection", four photos of the "new" school at Bexley under construction in 1955-6. This collection in the administration corridor features photos of the front of the school, the interior of the auditorium and the building in progress from two perspectives.

In July we employed the services of an aerial photographer to capture the school from angles we would otherwise never to be able to see. Three of these have been framed and now take pride of place in the foyer area, alongside the photo of the current Year 12 who donated the aerial collage as their parting gift to the school. Next year the 2003 Year 12 photo will be moved upstairs, to be replaced by the 2004 senior year.



Another project in progress is the collection of photos of successful old boys for the Hall of Fame gallery downstairs in the main block. This school has an abundance of ex-students who have gone on to make their valuable mark in Australia and the world. Here is an opportunity for their old school to recognise their contribution.

Students and their families can feel justly proud to be part of the Tech High tradition which stretches back to 1911. We encourage the school community to enjoy the displays around the school and honour the successes of the past as we forge ahead with the successes of today and tomorrow.

#### Sam Dando



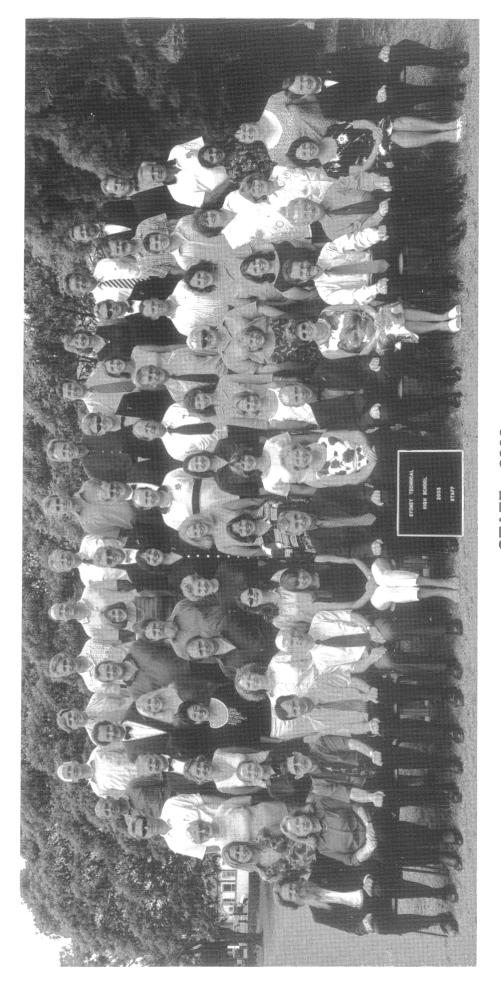
2003 has seen the consolidation of a number of programs in the school. We have continued with our development as a professional learning community. We have reorganised our meeting structure to allow time for staff to meet in cross faculty teams on a regular basis and work on issues that they have identified for improvement. Staff teams have investigated, developed plans and made recommendations across a range of school activities. This year teams have scrutinized reporting to parents, student coaching, school exhibitions, sport, our links with primary school and playgrounds. Team meeting time has also been used by staff for training and development exercises such as CPR, the new reporting system and intranet publishing. The school executive have continued to develop their understanding of productive pedagogy and how they may use the concepts to improve learning outcomes in their faculty areas.

As a trial for Year 8 we have introduced computerised reporting and subject to the current evaluation we will begin to move this system throughout the school next year. At the same time we are examining all our information systems in the school with a view to enhancing our monitoring of student progress thus making it possible to intervene at an earlier point before students have allowed problems with their learning to get out of hand.

At the time of publishing students should have begun to receive their combination photo ID and library cards. These cards should be especially useful to our student who are turning fifteen and need to start proving their identity in situations such as public transport.

It has been my great pleasure to work with the highly professional and hardworking staff this year and I look forward to continuing to develop our learning environment.

#### **Greg McNaught**



# STAFF - 2003

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G Pearce S Porter M Reilly J.P

C Ross

A Stanford R Huntington

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I Shute G Gimenez

YEAR ADVISERS

Year 7 – T Blake Year 8 - N Stokes Year 9 - P Abson

Year 10 - P Werner Year 11 – B Derwent Year 12 - J Haitidis

#### **SPECIAL PRIZES FOR 2002**

Turner Prize
Wykeham Prize

Hurstville Lions Prize (Senior) Hurstville Lions Prize (Junior)

Interact Prize

OBU Public Speaking Champion Senior OBU Public Speaking Champion Junior Public Speaking Champion Year 10 Public speaking Champion Year 9 Public Speaking Champion Year 7

OBU Music Trophy (Diligence & Application in Band)
OBU Music Trophy (Most Improved Instrumentalist)
Class of '62 Award (Bandsman of the Year)

Angelo Amante Memorial Prize for Service to the School through Music

The Norman Harding Prize for

Senior Artmaking

Academic Medal for Physics RACI Chemistry Quiz Plaque

Science Research Medallion for Year 10 Science Research Medallion for Year 9 Reuben F Scarf Award for Commitment Caltex Best All Rounder Award for 2002

Rockdale Mayoral Senior Rockdale Mayoral Junior

The Professor Maxwell Howell Award for

Sportsman of the Year

Nick Kipriotis
Dale Kilroy
Stuart Holt
Justin Lim
Yi Shun Teoh
Eric Canbery
Andrew Low
Peter Pavlakis
Wayne Aguiar
Ho Pan So
Julian Ngo

Brett Kolodziei

Andrew Vonthethoff

Sid Gurjar

Andrew Lee Quincy Tse Kim Zhou

Jeffrey Feng, Stuart Fowler

Simon Chiu Yi Shun Teoh Quincy Tse Andris Gauja Michael West

Darren Yee

#### **ACADEMIC PRIZES FOR 2002**

#### **YEAR 12**

H Brown Prize for Dux of School

2<sup>nd</sup> in Year 12 3<sup>rd</sup> in Year 12

Roy Stanhope University Scholarship George Keys Prize for English Extension 2

English Extension 1 English Advanced English Standard

Norman Marks Prize for Chemistry William Pillans Prize for Biology Stanhope Prize for Physics OBU Prize for Mathematics Ext 2 Mathematics Extension 1

Mathematics 2 Unit

George Keys Prize for Modern History Extension

Modern History
Ancient History
Engineering Studies
Design and Technology

Software Design and Development Information Processes and Technology Rupert Markham Prize for German Continuers

Japanese Continuers

Cyril Lake Prize for Economics OBU Prize for Geography

Visual Arts Music

Music Extension Prize
Business Studies
Legal Studies

Studies of Religion

Brian Henson, Andrew Inglis Peter Bui, Andris Gauia

Yi Shun Teoh Mina Hanna Andris Gauja Yi Shun Teoh Andris Gauja Yi Zhang

Braydon Patterson Andris Gauja

Mina Hanna, Andrew Inglis

George Pang Kevin Ma

Andris Gauja, Leon Rogovoy

Brett Kolodziej Andris Gauja

Brett Kolodziej, Michael Lam

Mark Whitty Brett Ikin Sunny Leung Alvin Chan Adrian Rees

Peter Bui, Ronnie Cheng, Mina Hanna

Yi Shun Teoh David Bakunowicz

Andris Gauja, Yi Shun Teoh

James Fowler James Fowler Brian Henson James Stafford

Thomas Chan, Peter Phung

School Medallion: Peter Bui, Ronnie Cheng, Mina Hanna, Brett Ikin, Brett Kolodziej, Joel Lee, Sunny Leung, Quang Nguyen, George Pang, David Samra, Chaka Tang, Matthew Thompson.

#### YEAR 11

Edward Lee Memorial Prize for Dux of Year 11 Eugene Kamenka Prize for Advanced English

Extension English

Leo McKern Memorial Prize for Drama

Chemistry Physics Biology

Mathematics Extension Mathematics 2 Unit

Geography Economics Business Studies

Tom Kistle Prize for Modern History Helen Emanuele Prize for Ancient History Professor Max Howell Prize for Personal

Development/Health/PE

Kwan Hee Lee Prize for Engineering Studies

Design and Technology

German Japanese Visual Arts Music

Owen Hodge & Son Prize for Legal Studies Information Processes and Technology Software Design and Development

Information Technology Computing Applications

Photography Psychology

Studies of Religion 1 Unit

**Eugene Lubarsky** 

Carl Ng Jiao Chen Nitin Vengurlekar Peter Phung Eugene Lubarsky

Rico Lee

Peter Myatt, Peter Xing

Ronald Doyle Nicholas Tan Ben Lau Ben Lau

Andrew Errington

Caleb Mui

Daniel Shute
David Burdon
Eric Connerton
Hassan Salem
Matthew Townsley

Jiao Chen
Tommy Lim
Matthew Ho
Jackson Chew
Eugene Lubarsky
Andre Hwang
James Pang

Christopher Bickerton Eugene Lubarsky George Andrianakos

School Medallion: Mitchell Reid, Peter Xing

#### YEAR 10

University of Sydney Prize for Academic Achievement and Dux of Year 10

UTS Sydney Faculty of Engineering Prize

J W Farley Prize for English

Science Mathematics

A Jenkins Memorial Prize for Most Improved

in Mathematics Commerce Geography

J W Farley Prize for History

Elective History
Technics Wood
Technics Electronics
Technical Drawing
Design and Technology
Computer Studies

McKern Prize for Excellence in Technical

Drawing

Schlenkar Prize for Excellence in Industrial Arts

**Computing Studies** 

Japanese
French
Visual Arts
Drama
Music
PD/Health /PE

Human Movement

School Medallion: Jeffrey Feng, Peter Swift, Michael West.

Michael West Michael West Michael West Michael West

Michael West, Roy Yu

Paul Madani
Raj Patel, Des Ng
Michael West
Michael West
Michael West
Scott McNaught
Peter Swift
Michael West
Darren Grujic
James Tang

Mitchell Barker Thai Tran James Tang

Ibrahim Tohidi - Esfahani

Charles Li

Jeffrey Feng, Lawrence Ma

Yasin Shahib Tomislav Cuk Michael West Des Ng YEAR 9

Dux of Year 9 (Rotary Club of Bexley)

English

Science

Mathematics

Daniel Fernandes

Peter Pavlakis

Daniel Fernandes

Stephen Mak

Geography Richard Chung, Nathan Quan
Commerce Jack Dong, Christopher Wu

History
Elective History
Technics Wood
Justin Penafiel
Justin Penafiel
Nicholas Andrianakos

Technics Electronics
Technical Drawing
Technics Metal
Computing Studies
Design and Technology

Harry Xiao
Daniel Fernandes
Nicholas Andrianakos
Bikram Karmakar
Daniel Fernandes

French Peter Xie

JapanesePetros DarnakisGermanTimothy DinjarVisual ArtsPeter XieMusicJulian Ngo

Drama Steven Zographakis

PD/PE/Health Dean Kaladelfos, Greg Psarakis,

Elliot Vonthethoff Nicholas Andrianakos

Human Movement

School Medallion: Dean Kaladelfos

### YEAR 8 PRIZE FOR OUTSTANDING CERTIFICATE FOR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Samuel Guirguis 8 Orange Cameron Bell Scott Janssen Nicholas Cassim Stefan Morvillo Gary Chan Stephen Tan Timothy Duona James Ward Nathan Low 8 Blue **Brendan Charles** Li Chen Matthew Gibson Jeff Hon Blake Robertson-Hall Adam Luc Jason Smith Andrew Murray Derek Wong Leon Tam 8 Green

Kenrick Blaker Sadaat Cheema
Raymond Leung Noel Foong
Minh Phan Paul Jang
Ning Song Matthew Tsang
Sitou Wang Ike Wu

Sitou Wang Ike Wu 8 Red Luke Camilleri Tammam Abbas

Stephen Clough
Tony Gu
Soner Sahan
Imran Haque
Andry Santosa
Jesse Lu
Khusheev Singh

8 Yellow Wilson Fung Alan Guo
Phillip Lay Si Han

Alexander Stamenkovic Ke Fei Huang William Webb Majdi Huq Timothy Yip John Xu

#### **CERTIFICATE FOR** PRIZE FOR OUTSTANDING YEAR 7 **ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT** Edwin Cooper Toby Beckman 7 White Sunny Jong Kurt Forrester Bijoy Joseph Clay Muir Thomas Shepherd Joshua Kwong Benjamin Newsom John Vallis Hai Au Wayne Aguiar 7 Blue Steven Cao Jacky Li Hans Luo Landis Michaels Lewis Risk Adnan Sufian **Andrew Woods** Hywel Wong Josip Devcic Daniel Ang 7 Green Peter Francis Jaryd Carolin Jay Grosvenor Steven Faulkner Colin Lieu Adam Momi Avinash Singh Jacob Todd Luke Bacon Uri Chouster 7 Red Gregory Chin Sam Chung Mohammad Iqbal Sean El-Sayed Alistair Liong Abid Mujala Vincentius Teng Niksa Stanisic Patrick Fong Daniel Kim 7 Yellow Dong Gao Andy Lai Isaac Kang Martin Nguyen Christopher Selvarai George Sclavos

Leslie Wong





Chao Zeng



#### SCHOOL CAPTAIN

The time has come once again for yet another Year 12 class to leave Sydney Tech. While it is a time of great excitement at the thought of finally leaving school, for many of us it is also a time of displacement, as we look to our differing future walks of life. What we have known, and the people we have grown with at Tech High, are to be left behind as we now move on to face the challenges of the world as young men. It is with mixed emotions that the class of 2003 moves through its final weeks at school.

For the students who will remain at Tech High, I urge you to make the most of the years you spend here. The environment created at school by the staff and students alike has been one I have grown to be grateful for. The rapport between staff and students is very special at Tech with the staff always looking out for the best for their students' emotional and academic well being. It has been these interpersonal relationships, and this fantastic atmosphere created at school that has really made Sydney Tech the outstanding institution it is. I encourage each and every one of you to make the most of your opportunities at Tech, and to take away with you many of the great experiences available, and simply continue in the proud traditions and reputation of a school that have become a legacy over the years of its existence.

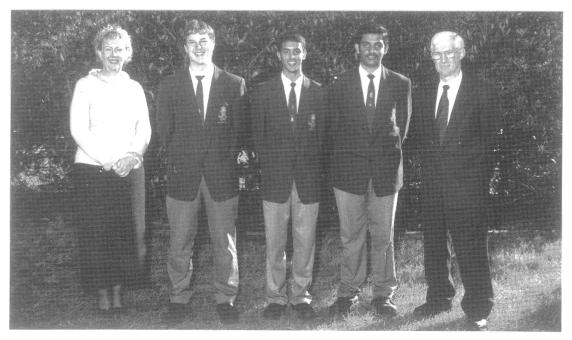
On behalf of Year 12 I would like to thank Ms Irvine and all the staff at Sydney Tech. It has been said that the attitudes of a team reflect its leadership, and this has been evident nowhere more clearly than through our Principal whose support and guidance have really helped shape the culture and unity within the school. I would also like to thank our Year Adviser, Mrs. Haitidis. Throughout our years at Tech, she has been our driving force, our guardian angel, and our mother away from home. She has kept us and genuinely guided us as her own children, sacrificing so much of her time and effort, giving us an unconditional support which has been unparalleled in our schooling years. I do not think I can truly thank her enough for the amazing work she put into the class of 2003, and we would not be the people we are today without her. On behalf of the prefects, I would like to thank the Prefects coordinator Mr. McLean. His support for the work of the prefects and guidance to myself, Andrew and Jagadish as the prefect executive have been invaluable, and definitely made the job much easier for us.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to thank the students of Year 12 for bestowing upon me the honour and privilege of School Captain. Six years ago I could not have dreamt of being School Captain of this amazing school, to serve the school and its community in this way. For you all to allow me this opportunity has been very special to me. The experiences I have had, and will take away with me I will cherish for many years and I thank you once again for allowing me them.

To the class of 2003, I wish you all the best in each and every one of your future endeavors. Sydney Smith once said, "The greatest mistake of all is to do nothing because you can only do little." I urge each and every one of you to make the most of every opportunity you are presented with. Give everything your best shot and have no regrets. I hope that Tech has moved each of you as it has me, and that you each take away from it more than just a UAI, but the experiences you have gained along the way.

Take care and I wish you all the best.

Ajay Philip



L to R: Ms L Irvine (Principal), A Errington (Vice Captain), A Philip (Captain), J Gorrepati (Snr Prefect) Mr G McLean (Prefects Master)



Front Row (L to R)

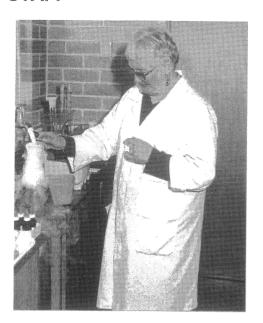
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Mr S Dando (Deputy Principal), A Errington, Ms L Irvine (Principal), A Philip (Captain), Mr G McLean (Prefects Master), J Gorrepati, Mr G McNaught (Deputy Principal) P Surindrawarige, T Koshy, E Ho, T Reeks, K Soliman, J Myint, G Andrianakos, P Skyllas J Lim, M Popplewell, R Ikin, A Vonthethoff, T Lim, A Waters, M Sloane M West, N Kipriotis, S Gurjar, T Cuk, D Burdon.

#### SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT STAFF

Mrs Stanford, the much loved laboratory master of the school, has decided to take some well earned leave at the end of this year. Mrs Stanford will travel, garden, and live her dream to work as a volunteer at the Australian Museum.

Mrs Stanford has spent twelve years working at STHS, but not only in the science labs. She has always been available to help out in the clinic, with blazer fittings, and assisting with the prefect morning teas. "She's always readily enthusiastic to help out," says Mr Roper, Head Teacher Welfare. "She's fun and generous to everyone." Before she came to Tech, those lucky students at Engadine High had the pleasure of her company for seventeen years. And earlier still in her scientific career, she worked in the science laboratories at Sydney University. During her time here, she has loved her hectic schedule and adores her practical work, and says that her greatest memory of Tech is when Kevin Tae, an-old-boy won gold at the international chemistry Olympiad, in Norway. She became interested in science work at school because "It is so diverse and a lot of work is practical."



Mrs Collins, who is a close friend of the labmeister, says "She's warm, friendly, fun, and very dedicated to the boys and the school." Mrs Stanford will be very missed by everyone..

We wish Ann a safe and enjoyable retirement.



Front Row (L to R)

Ms M Reilly, Mrs J Hope, Mrs V Manners, Mrs C Ross, Mrs I Farrell, Mrs C Gallagher

Back Row (L to R)

Mrs A Stanford, Ms S Collins, Mrs G Pearce, Mrs S Porter.

#### **ENGLISH**

The compulsory Area of Study *Change* for the HSC English Standard and Advanced courses has been significant and relevant in many ways. Change is a major feature of our contemporary society. Socially, environmentally, scientifically and economically the world is in a constant state of flux. This state of flux is also evident in education where changes to syllabuses have occurred in order to address the changing nature of our society and the world we live in. The English syllabus has undergone significant change in recent years. The new HSC continues to challenge and inspire and the new 7-10 syllabus is equally stimulating and rigorous.

Embracing the concepts of verbal and visual literacy, making mandatory the exploration of film, picture books, television, other media, the internet, CD-ROMs, Shakespeare, fiction, non-fiction, poetry and drama as well as work place texts and a huge variety of other material the new junior syllabus is a rich combination of texts and experiences. The cross curriculum components of ICT, Work, Employment and Enterprise, literacy, Aboriginal and Indigenous issues, Civics and Citizenship, Difference and Diversity, Gender and Multiculturalism are also mandatory elements that must be investigated within new programs. The new junior syllabus in English will help students to value and appreciate the power of language to explore and express views of themselves, others and the world, whilst also recognising the power of effective communication in all modes of interaction with others. The English faculty have already invested many hours preparing for the implementation of this syllabus and we will be focusing on refining these new programs in Term IV so that they are enriching and relevant.

We are also exploring changes to the prescribed texts for the 2004/2005 HSC as these will also impact on our programs. As some texts and electives within modules have changed (there's that word again!) we need to prepare new units, purchase new texts and adapt our assessment schedule.

One of our objectives this year was to engage our students and enrich their learning experiences through extracurricular activities. To meet this goal we have organised excursions to the theatre which have included performances of *The One Day of the Year*, *Howard Katz*, *The Club* and *Worry Warts* and Bell Shakespeare were our guests here at school performing extracts from *Julius Caesar*, *Macbeth and Othello*. Attending these performances has been motivational, inspiring and invaluable.

Our debating and public speaking initiatives have also continued to flourish thanks to the dedication of the English faculty and the enthusiasm of the boys. We have entered every competition available both at state and district levels. Details regarding these initiatives appear in other reports, however I would like to congratulate our Year 12 Commonwealth Bank Senior debating team who yesterday were the runners-up in the state final. I would also like to congratulate all the students who participated in debating and public speaking this year and I would also like to again acknowledge the English faculty for their dedication to the development of our students.

As well as external competitions we are also continuing our internal 7-10 debating and public speaking competitions which have proven to be successful and valuable lessons in critical thinking, interaction with others, the power of language through speaking and listening and the power of language to express many dimensions of human experiences.

Congratulations to all those students who achieved outstanding results in the 2002 HSC. Our students were awarded marks well above state average in all of the courses offered and these excellent results reflected not only ability but also dedication and diligence. Our School Certificate results were also outstanding with the majority of our candidates achieving results in bands 5 and 6. On behalf of the faculty I would like to wish our candidates for 2003, in all English courses and in Drama, every success and best wishes for future endeavours.

It is with mixed emotions that we farewell Con Raptis who has been a part of Tech for nearly thirteen years. He has been a vital member of the English faculty, a well respected contributor to whole school initiatives and a much appreciated classroom practitioner. His professionalism, his understanding and knowledge of the syllabuses, his ability to co-ordinate areas of responsibility, his warm nature and good humour will be missed. We wish him well as Head Teacher English at Distance Education and we'll be down at Harry's Café at Woolloomooloo every chance we get.

We are also saying farewell, but only temporarily, to Alison Garrett who is taking one year of maternity leave. Good luck and we'll see you soon with baby in tow.

Two goodbyes need to be balanced with a welcome. Welcome to permanency Neil Melvin. Neil has been at Tech for a long time and his contributions in English, ESL, as Literacy Co-ordinator and debating 'super coach' have been sources of inspiration for all. Staffing services have finally seen the light, so to speak, and Neil has been permanently appointed.

2003 has been many things: inspiring, hectic, challenging and changing.

They must often change who would be constant in happiness or wisdom. (Confucius c.551-c.478BC)

Who am I to disagree?

Ms D Demetriadis Head Teacher

#### **MATHEMATICS**

It has almost been "business as usual" for the Mathematics Department over the last twelve months and we have been very pleased to see our students continue to achieve excellent results in many different areas. There has been a small change in the Mathematics staff: Mr Dando has joined our ranks this year to teach a Year 7 class. Having previously had some experience teaching Mathematics, Mr Dando took up the position with much enthusiasm and has been enjoying his new role. The next few years are also shaping up to be a challenge as we bring about the introduction of a new syllabus in Years 7 to 10.

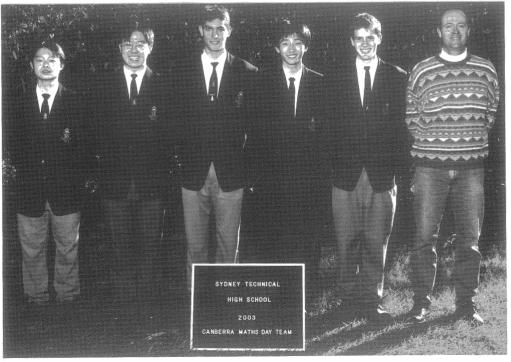
We have been fortunate this year that again we have been able to run two special enrichment classes in Year 8, as well as the enrichment class in Year 7. These classes have enjoyed the challenge of extra enrichment work to broaden their mathematical experience.

Over the last twelve months, our students have again produced excellent results. In the 2002 HSC, results were very impressive; the percentage of our students in the highest band of each course was 56% for 2 Unit, 63% for Ext 1, 54% for Ext 2. The School Certificate results were great too - over 98% of our students were placed in the two top bands! All these results show improvement over the 2001 results – a remarkable effort. Congratulations to all our hard working students and also to the hard working Mathematics staff. Our top HSC students were Andris Gauja & Leon Rogovoy (2 Unit), Kevin Ma (Ext 1) and George Pang (Ext 2).

In the Australian Mathematics Competition, over half (56%) of our boys gained a Distinction or better, with nine students winning prizes (that's the top 0.3% of the state). One of our students, Hywel Wong was selected, on the basis of his Mathematics Competition results, to participate in the Extension Program of the Australian Mathematics Olympiad Committee.

Our team of senior students again participated in the prestigious University of Canberra's Mathematics Day. By coming fourth, they maintained status as a leading Sydney school and one which other Canberra schools know they have to beat each year to hope have any winning. I would like to congratulate the Mathematics Day team for their fine effort.

G R McLean Head Teacher



#### **CANBERRA MATHS DAY 2003**

Thursday May 29, 2003 marked the beginning of an adventure for five special Year 12 students and their teacher. The annual Canberra Maths Day had arrived again. The imposing team we managed to assemble consisted of Sid Gurjar, Yin Song, Andrew Vontenthoff, Ji Yuan, Colin Zhou, and our ever-present mentor, Mr Sender.

We began the long journey towards Canberra brimming with confidence. Our cockiness, however, soon eroded to fear and apprehension, as we began attempting the sample questions. Our self- assurance returned just as rapidly, though, when we realised that if Sid couldn't solve most of the problems, no one else in this hemisphere had much of a chance.

Upon arrival in Canberra, we checked into the Canberra City Youth Hostel, and left in search of the big city's sights. We settled on Parliament House, sadly one of the most popular tourist destinations, and enjoyed a good forty-five minutes of the circus that was going on in the main chambers. We eventually left, amazed at how our country still exists, and returned to our hostel to get ready for a night out. Sufficiently rugged up against the Canberra night, we stepped out in search of entertainment. We decided against a movie and instead headed towards the suburb of Dixon, well know for its various restaurants. A relaxed dinner, followed by some time finally finishing our poster, was considered the best way to spend the night.

The Friday dawned just as we had expected, frosty and uninviting and we headed out to the University of Canberra, and the gruelling day began. First up, we began the group competition. Thirty problems had to be solved in around forty-five minutes, with the whole team being able to work together. We fared fairly well, and the group competition allowed us all to settle into the day. Next up, we competed in the 'Swiss' competition. This was a head-to-head battle between two teams. The object was to find the rule that related a series of ordered pairs, without talking to any other team mates. The first one or two turned out to be easy enough, but we were left for dead by many of the teams we were battling against in the later rounds. A rather dismal effort meant we would have to work hard in the afternoon session to regain any sense of worthiness.

After lunch, we began the 'Cross' competition. In this round, our team was split into two groups. One group was given the across clues, the other the down clues, and separately we had to fill in the crossword with numerical answers. We were able to finish this part with only a few mistakes and so gained quite a few points. The last activity of the day was the relay event. This again involved splitting into two groups, and separately attempting to solve problems. Each group took a problem, and had three attempts to get the correct answer before they could proceed to the next question. The catch was, however, that one half of the team could not continue onto the next problem if the other half of the team had not completed theirs. This round proved the most successful for the Sydney Tech team, and we ended up coming first for this round.

The end of the day was greeted with jubilation, as we all were exhausted from the long haul of work. The results of the days' competition were kept under wraps until the very last minute of the presentation, when it was announced that Sydney Tech had gained fourth place overall. We were extremely pleased with our result and were able to hold our heads high on returning to school.

Thanks must go to the school, for providing us with funds and the opportunity to take part in the event. However, the most thanks should go to Mr Sender, who selflessly gave up his own time to take us to Canberra for the event. He looked after us well and put up with us for the duration of our stay. Thank you for an enjoyable two days.

Andrew Vonthethoff Year 12

#### SCIENCE

2003 has been yet another eventful year for the Science department. Mr Tony Hayes has filled Mrs White's position on a temporary basis until a permanent teacher is appointed. Mr Hayes is an enthusiastic and talented teacher and he has developed a strong rapport with Tech students. Many thanks for all your valuable work this year.

Regretfully this is Mrs Ann Stanford's last year as laboratory manager at Tech. Ann plans to retire at the end of 2003 and the Science staff will very much miss her enthusiasm and sense of humour. Ann's practical and organisational skills and her strong knowledge of science have made her an invaluable member of the Science team. No one loves Ann more than the many students that have passed through Tech's doors over the years. They respect her for her many skills and talents and appreciate the advice and care that she gives them when they have had an accident or need some comfort. We hope that Ann's retirement will be long and fulfilling and that she won't forget her many friends at Tech.

The Science department has once more reprogrammed senior courses due to the additional changes and deletions by the Board of Studies to the senior science syllabi for the New HSC to be examined in 2003. The major result of these additional changes has been to provide some needed time for consolidation of ideas and concepts. Hopefully in 2004 we will finally reach a maintenance phase for science senior courses. The HSC 2002 results in science subjects were of a very high standard. The variation between Tech and State results showed a very strong positive variation (Biology: +6.63; Chemistry: +10.64; Physics: +9.86). In addition 21% of Biology students, 28% of Chemistry students and 29% of Physics students achieved Band 6. Our results were further supported by the very large numbers of students who achieved Band 5 results.

The Board of Studies is also making some further changes to the junior syllabus and these are to be implemented in 2004-2005. Tech students continue to perform exceptionally well in the School Certificate Examination. In 2002, 14% of students in Year 10 were awarded Band 6 compared with the State average of 3%. A further 75% of Tech students achieved Band 5 compared with 22% in the state.

Year 10 students showed considerable originality in their choice and execution of a science project. The 2002 Year 10 research science joint-winners were Jeffrey Feng and Stuart Fowler who were presented with their research medallions at Speech Night this year. The 2003 winner will be announced later this year.

Simon Chiu of Year 10 continues to excel in his scientific research for the Intel Young Scientist Award. He won the Year 9-10 category award at the 2002 Intel Young Scientist Competition. This year Simon has undertaken a much more ambitious research project involving the chemical analysis of double salts formed from saturated solutions of Epsom and Glaubers salts. He has spent countless hours before school and at lunch times performing many different types of analyses to collect data to test his hypotheses. Good luck Simon for the 2003 competition.

Four teams of Year 12 students participated in the regional Titration Competition at Sydney University in June. One team (Thien Nguyen, Bernard Tan and Dittman Shum) came third in the regional competition. Congratulations to this top Year 12 Tritration Team for gaining tenth place in the NSW national finals. Bernard Tan won a gold medal and Thien Nguyen and Dittman Shum each won a silver medal.

Excursions have featured strongly in our 2003 program. Some of the excursions included this year are listed below:

Year 7 studied vertebrate classification at Taronga Zoo in Term 2. Year 9 enjoyed the Observatory and Imax to extend their study of astronomy. Year 10 visited Imax to view a movie on dinosaurs and the Australian Museum exhibition of the Chinese dinosaurs as well as Homebush Bicentennial Park for an ecology excursion.

Year 12 Physics and Chemistry students extended their senior studies by performing a variety of practical activities in the Kickstart Science program over several days at Sydney University. Year 11 Biology visited the Anatomy and Histology Museum and the electron microscopy unit as well as undertaking a field study at Homebush. Year 12 Biology studied sensory communication as well as visiting the pathology museum at UNSW.

Once again students at Tech High have performed with excellence in the Australian Science Competition. Twenty one High Distinction Certificates and 195 Distinction Certificates were awarded to Tech students. Congratulations to the following students who gained High Distinctions in the Australian Science Competition.

Year 7: Christopher Stebbings; Elton Yuen (highest score Year 7)

Year 8: Edwin Cooper (highest score Year 8)

Year 9: Timothy Duong; Si Chong Han; Jesse Lu; Long Quach (highest score Year 9)

Year 10: Daniel Fernandes; Anthony Hough; James Kilford; Jeff Lin; Stephen Mak;

Simon Thuyen; Edmund Tse; Ben Urwin; Vlad Vladimirov; Brian Wang; Kim Zhou

(highest score Year 10)

Year 11: Michael West (highest score Year 11)

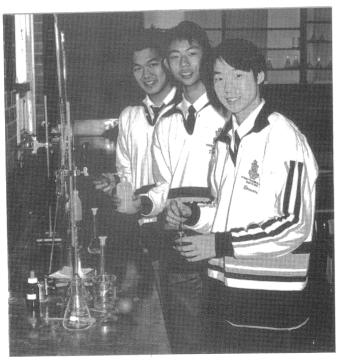
Year 12: Matthew Chen; Aaron Waters (equal highest scores Year 12)

Congratulations to the following students who received High Distinctions in the Chemistry Quiz. Year 8 – Andy Lai, Jacob Todd, Year 9 – Ying Chan, Timothy Duong, Kaloon Fung, Wilson Fung, Jonathan Lim, Jesse Lu, Stefan Morvillo, Minh Phan, Balke Robertson-Hall, George Shieh, Ning Song, Bruce Wu, Year 10 – Imteaz Ahamed, William Chen, Simon Chiu, Daniel Fernandes, Freddy Hui, James Kilford, Simon Lee, Stephen Mak, Michael Rose, Andrew Thompson, Edmund Tse, Ben Urwin, Anthony Wong, Samson Wong, Christopher Wu, Year 11 – Des Ng, Michael West, Year 12 – Peter Phung, Siddharth Gurjar, Andrew Errington, James Myint, Andrew Vonthethoff.

Kim Zhou of Yr 10 has received a Certificate of Excellence and a plaque for 100% result.

My thanks to the hard working science teachers for an excellent year of science teaching.

Dr G Thickett Head Teacher



Tritration Finalists – Year 12 L to R – T Nguyen, D Shum, B Tan



Simon Chiu Yr 10

#### **HISTORY**

As another year comes to a close we think back over achievements in the History faculty over the past twelve months. In 2002, the second year of the new HSC, results have, if anything, bettered the previous year. Ancient History was especially impressive with best results in more than a decade. They were 15% above the state average, with over 60% of students scoring in the top two bands. Congratulations go to Brett Kolodziej who was first with a mark of 95%. In Modern History, 70% students achieved results in the top two bands with congratulations going to the dux, Andris Gauja.

James Stafford was first Legal Studies in 2002, and over half the candidature achieved Bands 5 and 6 with an average well above the state mean. History Extension achieved 50% in the top two bands with two students placed first, Brett Kolodziej again and Michael Lam. In Studies of Religion, a 1 Unit accelerated course consisting of both Year 11 and Year 12 students, results were striking. All students achieved in the top two bands. Congratulations to joint duxes Thomas Chan and Peter Phung.

2002 marked the first year of the School Certificate test in Australian History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship. 93% of History students achieved results in the top three bands, with 48% scoring in the top two bands (Bands 5 and 6) compared with the state average of 12% and 43% respectively.

The Year 10 Interschool History Debating team this year consisted of Luke Hamblen, James Hutchinson, Andrew Thompson and Justin Penafiel. They debated topics such as 'That Australia became a nation at Gallipoli' and 'That the Whitlam government deserved to be sacked'. We won our first debate against Penshurst Girls but the team lost its chance to advance to regional level by being defeated by our old rival St George Girls. The team impressed the judges with their ability to respond to opposition arguments and in their grasp of historical topics. Thanks to Mr Short for once again coaching the team.

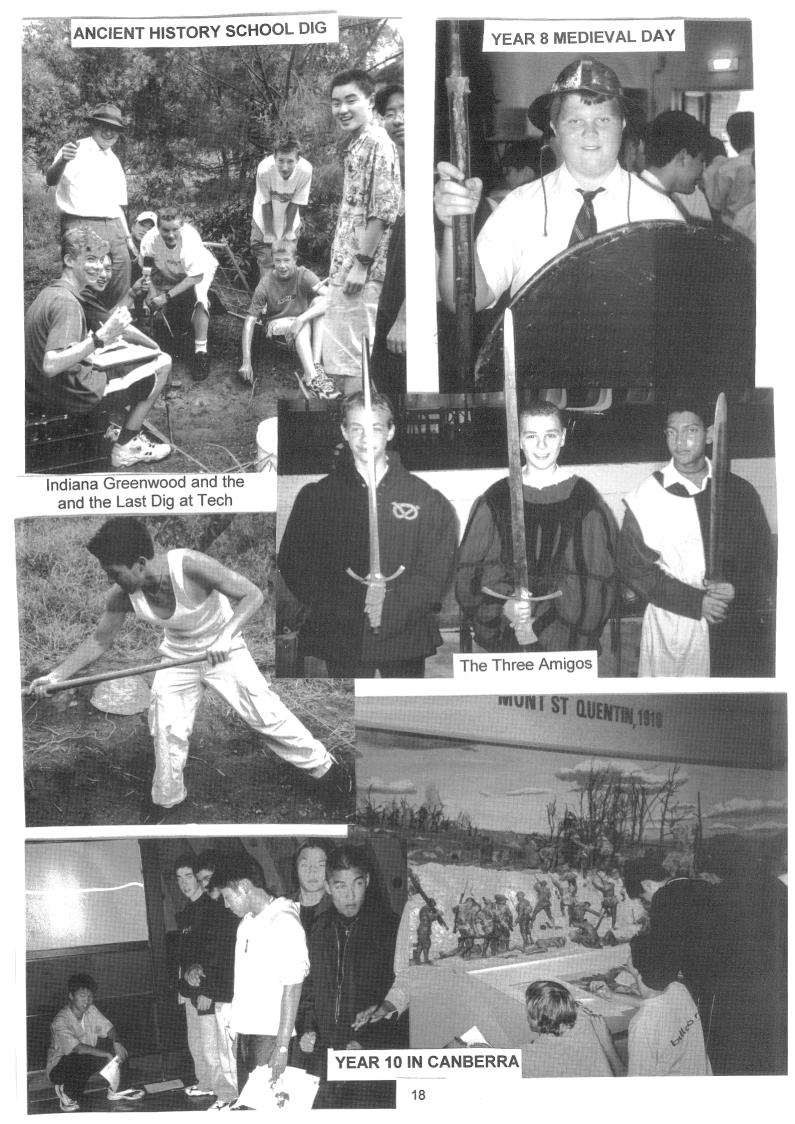
The annual school dig was again carried out by a band of intrepid archaeologists from Mr Heath's Year 11 Ancient History class. The site was Wykeham Paddock where students used the Wheeler-Kenyon method to discover what lay beneath the top soil and clay. Tetsuro Hunter and Darrin Grujic attacked the ground with picks and shovels and after a number of false starts the team, led by Keith (Indiana) Greenwood discovered a brick path only centimeters below the surface along with a number of other finds. The finds were all digitally recorded and meticulously drawn by Michael West's team of recorders.

Year 9 World History studying Hitler and the Holocaust, accompanied by Mr Short, visited the Jewish Museum. The testimony of our guides who were themselves victims of Nazi genocide provided a sobering insight into the human experience and complimented our classroom studies of this dreadful period of history. James Adams' Medieval Show again allowed Year 8 History students to gain 'hands on' experience of life in the Middle Ages. They discovered the 'joys' of punishment in the stocks, the power of the cross bow and the weight of a replica of William Wallace's sword. They dressed in medieval armour and engaged in mock battles to gain insights into the lives of people from the past.

Year 7 classes, fearlessly led by Mr Landsberger and Ms Newett, trekked the wilds of the Royal National Park to complete a site study of the area. They walked over three kilometers to visit aboriginal occupation sites and learned about how indigenous people used available resources such as bush tucker. Meanwhile, Mr Heath and 7W, toured the Nicholson Museum of Antiquities at Sydney University gaining some unique hands on experience of ancient archaeological artifacts.

2003 has been another rewarding and enjoyable year. The rewards of teaching students at Tech always make it a satisfying experience. I would like to thank the dedicated and professional team in the History faculty for all they do for the students we teach in History in making learning both meaningful and enjoyable. I would especially like to thank Mr Derwent, Mr Short, Mr Landsberger, and Ms Newett, and in addition Mr Bellamy, Ms Golledge and Mr Samuel for support and contribution throughout the year.

Peter Heath Head Teacher



#### SOCIAL SCIENCE

2003 produced another busy and rewarding year. Faculty members have continued to refine the new Geography stage 5 course that will be examined at the School Certificate this year for the second time. In the first year of state wide testing in 2002, the year 10 students performed well. Michael West received the top mark of 99. Twenty percent achieved a mark of 90 or more compared to only five percent state wide.

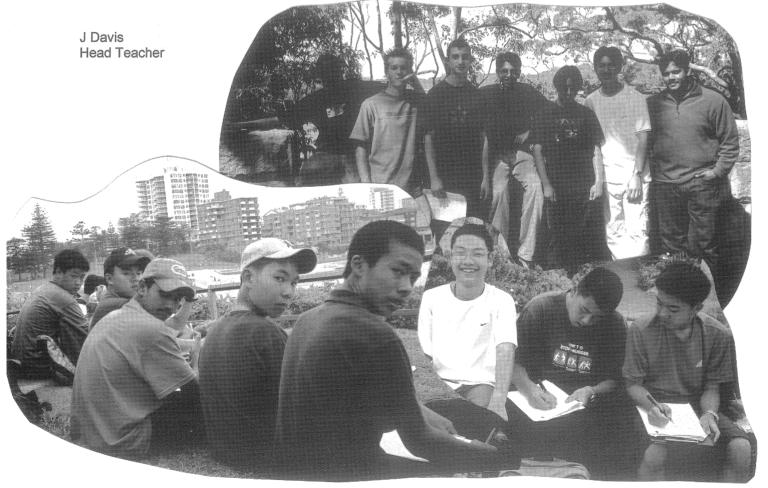
Extra curricula activities and excursions have provided an enriched curriculum for Social Science students. They included excursions to Cronulla Beach, an Aquaculture farm, Canberra, Oatley Park, and a senior urban study of Sydney. Students participated in the ASX competition where they trade a share portfolio worth \$50,000 online through the Stock Exchange. Year 10 entered the Sustainable Living Competition run by the University of NSW where, through an interdisciplinary approach, they create a solution to a real life environmental problem. Three of our enthusiastic and talented Year 10 Geography students also took part in an environmental leaders program. They were Justin Penafiel, Robert White and Harry Xiao. Ben Lau was selected to attend Business Week at Sydney University during the July holidays which involved him working in a team of ten talented Business Studies students from across NSW working on a university level business problem solving project.

The results in the Australian Geography Competition were again extremely good. Thirty two percent of students received high distinctions and Richard Chung achieved a place in the top 0.1 % of candidates. Other high performers were Leon Tam, Morgan Gardiner, Cameron Bell, Winston Yang, Morgan Hunter and Justin Penafiel.

The 2002 HSC results were extremely pleasing. The highlights were: 50% of Geography students achieving Band 6 a mark of 90 or more, Brian Henson was placed 21<sup>st</sup> in the state in Business Studies and 73 % of Economics students were placed in bands 5 and 6.

The Business Studies and Economics competition results were again extremely good. Major money prize winners were Matthew Gilmour, Mitchell Reid, Colin Zhou.

Finally my thanks to the hard working Social Science staff for their professionalism and the time they put into extra curricular activities for students especially overnight excursions and camps.



#### **CREATIVE ARTS/LOTE**

The 2003 school year has been a period of consolidation for the ever vibrant Creative Arts/LOTE faculty. In anticipation of new junior syllabi in all subjects we have spent time in discussion and analysis of our best classroom practice to ensure that future curriculum change encompasses the values and skills of traditional liberal arts education whilst embracing the irrepressible force of technology and the advent of transdisciplinary learning. This blurring of boundaries between distinct subject areas will have great significance for our future pedagogy.

To begin our year in Visual Arts we welcomed Dawn Nelson, who has transferred from St. George Girls' High School. With vast selective school experience and dedication to art education she is a great asset to our creative team.

In HSC Visual Arts 2002, our students once again revealed their capacity for outstanding creative achievement in results which were well above state average. Ryan Watson's large scale portraits of his father were exhibited in *Artexpress* in both David Jones and the regional touring exhibition. Recognition is due to Tina Blake for her hard work in assisting these student outcomes.

Visual Arts students have been engaged in a variety of enrichment activities throughout 2003. Four Year 10 students, Anirudh Vemulpad, Peter Xie, Simon Chiu and Justin Penafiel successfully gained placements in the two day talented student *Rocks on* workshop program. An exhibition of their work was held at Observatory Hill and Cadman's Cottage in April, where Peter's drawing was highly commended.

Senior art students visited *Artexpress* at the Art Gallery and an exhibition of differently scaled human figures by special effects artist Ron Mueck at the Museum of Contemporary Art in April, while Years 10 and 12 have exercised their aesthetic judgement by voting for their selection in the people's choice awards at the *Archibald* in May. Their exposure to different conceptual and experential exhibitions was ensured that day when they visited *Liquid Sea*, with it's various theatrette and computer generated presentations and *Zoo morphia's* intriguing animal art, which included video of a trained and performing flea circus, and the Fibonacci sequence patterns of shells and insect wings. Art really is everywhere!

Year 10 and 11 Visual arts students reaped the benefits of specialist materials workshops in oil painting and airbrushing close to the end of Term 2. Visiting artists were engaged to introduce materials and techniques to students such as the newest technology in oil painting, namely oil paints which clean up in water! Things were never that easy when their teachers were in training. We were also fortunate to engage the services of Airbrush Venturi for a full day airbrushing workshop. This was spectacular to witness as each student was operating their own generator driven airbrush for the day, producing spray painted technical samples for their future reference.

Year 11 Photography and Visual Arts students captured imagery at Taronga Zoo in August on what is sure to be their last school excursion to that venue. They then produced a visual feast of wet (darkroom) and dry (digital) animal photos and drawings as part of their portfolio work.

We also welcomed Julianne Steele, a final year art education student from the UNSW College of Fine Art who completed her teacher training with us. It was a rich experience for her to participate in the supportive collegial environment of our faculty. Throughout the year, in all departments of our faculty - Languages, Music and Visual Arts, teachers have organised excursions, events, performances and exhibitions, to enhance the joy of learning in these disciplines. As a school community we take great pride in the achievements of our creative students. This success is borne out of the wealth of opportunity promoted by the dedication and goodwill of teachers, the selfless support of parents, and the boys' passion for learning. Thank you all for your part in our students' attainments.



#### LANGUAGES

The language staff remained the same this year, with Ms P Abson teaching Japanese, Mr B Reynolds teaching French and German and part-time teachers Ms K Cross teaching French and German and Ms B Laylim teaching Japanese, French and German.

Our Year 12 Japanese and German students from last year performed extremely well in the HSC examinations. All students but one achieved a Band 5 and all students improved on their school assessment mark, some of them by a considerable margin. Special congratulations go to Peter Bui, Ronnie Cheng and Mina Hanna, who were equal first in Japanese, and to Adrian Rees, who was first in German.

In Term 1, Japanese classes were fortunate to have a teaching assistant in some of their lessons. Shigeki Kato, a native speaker of Japanese, helped students with their writing and speaking skills and provided valuable insight into the culture of his country.

One of our Year 12 German students from this year, Steven Janssen, won a scholarship from The Society for Australian-German Student Exchange, enabling him to spend two months in Bavaria in Germany between November 2002 and January 2003. This was a great experience leading up to his HSC year.

Results from last year's Australian Language Certificates arrived late in 2002 and many of our students performed very well. Those who achieved Distinctions in both sections of the competition included Petros Darnakis, Jack Dong, James Kilford, Andrew Leung, Marcus North, Nathan Quan, Benjamin Urwin, Anthony Wong, Christopher Wu, Timothy Wu, Raymond Chen, Jack Ma, Jun Oka, Matthew Townsley and Peter Xing in Japanese, David Otto and Justin Penafiel in French, and Timothy Dinjar and Joshua Scott in German. Congratulations to all students who participated. More classes have sat for the competition this year and we await some outstanding results.

Apart from continuing with their language study, students have also been involved in cultural experiences via the Internet, film viewing, restaurant visits and food tastings at school.

Thank you to all the languages staff for their great efforts in making language learning an enjoyable and rewarding experience for our students.

Mr B Reynolds Languages Coordinator



#### MUSIC

#### Curriculum Program

Last year a lot of planning went into the provision of a new facility for the Music department. In 2003 we have at last seen the opening of the new music computer laboratory and performance space in Room 42. This facility provides us with an efficiently operating separate network of Macintosh computers and MIDI keyboards. Elective Music classes are indeed fortunate to have such a facility which they can access principally for composition skills and aural skills development. Sophisticated software has been installed which includes Sibelius v.2 and Auralia. The former is the composition program and the latter is the aural skills development program. The performance space has been of great value for the elective classes for both group and individual instrumental performance.

In addition to the Room 42 set-up Room 40 has also been upgraded with new computers and MIDI "controller" keyboards. This room now provides the computer assisted music learning requirements for the Core Music Curriculum in Yrs 7 and 8. Sibelius v.2 and Essentials of Music Theory has been installed for the use of Years 7 and 8.

Congratulations to the Elective Music students who provided individual performance items for the annual *Musicale*: Aaron Waters and Andrew Phillips of Year 12 and Jonathon Sheahan, Michael Riley, Ho-Pan So and Kosta Hountalas of Year 11. The Music staff wish Aaron and Andrew all the best for the HSC. They have been active in music making and learning activities over the years and have contributed well to the musical life of the school (Aaron finished as our lead flautist in the Concert Band and had been a member since Year 7.)

Performing Ensembles Program.

There have been more students involved in this co-curriculum program this year than at any other time (one hundred and seventeen students). The Music department now provides the following ensembles for students to develop their musical performance skills:

- Junior Concert Band (for beginning instrumentalists) 1.
- Intermediate Concert Band 2.
- Concert Band 3.
- Stage Band 4.
- String Ensemble 5.

Throughout the year all ensembles have progressed extremely well and developed more advanced skills required for the sequentially developing performance repertoire of the ensembles. Both the Intermediate and Concert Bands have the largest membership for some time. This appears to be in no small part due to the introductory level of the program - the Junior Concert Band. This beginners' ensemble is providing a most successful launching pad for our performing ensembles. It has been most pleasing to see the successfully developing String Ensemble and it is hoped that numbers will continue to increase over the next few years. Two of the students in this ensemble Andy Lai and Boris Cheung also participated in the "show band" used for the Moorefields GHS production of The Boyfriend.

Musicale 2003 was a most successful showcase for the Concert Band, the Stage Band, the Intermediate Concert Band and the String Ensemble. Each of these ensembles reached high peaks of performance awareness and skill for the Musicale. Congratulations also to the following students who provided an excellent Brass Ensemble for the evening : Andrew Vonthethoff, Peter Diakonikolis (Year 12), Tomislav Cuk (Year 11) and Blake Robertson-Hall (Year 9). An excellent variety of individual items was also presented at a high level by the following musicians :Jonathon Sheahan, Michael Riley, Ho-Pan So, Kosta Hountalas, Paul Skyllas (Year 11), Andrew Phillips and Aaron Waters (Year 12), Timothy Duong (Year 9). Particular mention should also be made of Julian Ngo (Year 10) and Jonathon Sheahan (Year 11) who performed feature solos with the Concert Band items.

Both the Concert Band and the Intermediate Concert Band members have achieved extremely well this year. Both bands are very large ensembles and the students have shown tremendous responsibility through their rehearsal attendance and application to learning complex ensemble skills. The Concert Band continues to work with repertoire of a quite sophisticated standard. The Stage Band this year has particularly excelled. It is really great to see students striving for musical performance excellence and week in week out at rehearsals this is what is witnessed. The Intermediate Concert Band, the Concert Band and the Stage Band performed at the Engadine Music Band and Orchestra Festival where each ensemble was awarded at the highest level for their divisions.

The Stage Band further distinguished itself by being awarded "Gold" at the NSW Schools' Band Festival and winning a special "Band Development" award for the Stage Band Division in which they performed. The String Ensemble has very successfully completed its first public performances and there is a developing very positive enthusiasm with this small group. The boys are making an excellent effort with increasing awareness of ensemble performance skills and technique. Our performance space in Room 42 is of great benefit in being the venue for the String Ensemble rehearsals and some of the beginner tutoring. Junior Band (beginners) have again made dramatic progress with learning their instruments and working together as a band. Ms Williams and the two instrumental tutors (Mr Rasmussen and Mr Nicholls) are doing an outstanding job in starting these boys down the path of large ensemble performance.

Many thanks to the conductors and tutors of our performing ensembles which includes : Ms Jenny Williams, Mr Paul Rasmussen, Mr Jacob Nicholls, Ms Helen Renaud and Mr Mark Brown. These people have contributed greatly to the success of the program.

The Music department would also like to thank the members of the Music Support Group who have so ably assisted the Music Staff in the provision of an extensive music education for the students at this school. Congratulations to our retiring executive members of the Music Support Group – Pauline Burdon (President) and Karen Gardiner (Secretary) for their years of service and contribution.

Well done and congratulations to all the students involved in the performing ensembles of this school.

Doug Towner and Paul Owens Music



**Concert Band** 

Front Row (L-R) A Wong, T Duong, J Fan, P Xie, J Ward, G Lewis, M Yuen, D Fernandes, D Simmonds 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) H So, A Lim, J Smith, N Psomas, T Cuk, S Janssen, J Sheahan, T Sangster, W Shi,



**Intermediate Concert Band** 

Front Row (L-R) L Dodds, J Todd, J Ocsona, M Zhang, J Lim, H Wong, J Peacock, M Au, A Sivashanmugarajah, S Heath, P Mulheron

2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) V Xiong, G Chin, A Shen, P Xuan, A Tse, S Robertson, B Charles, A Liong, A Yuen, B Newsom, S Trinh, S Clough, Mr Towner

3<sup>rd</sup> Row(L-R) J Smith, L Bacon, Z Wang, A Vo, S Baturan, Y Lee, J Diment, C Nillsen, A Woods, J Keevers, R Szeto

Back Row (L-R) E Cooper, L Gaica, W Tam, A Chisholm, C Tzortzis, R Rodriguez, S Morvillo, R White.



Beginners Band

Front Row (L-R) J He, J Chu, B Kam, S Tan, S Shedden, U Kalugalage, J Feeney, D Cheung, J Poole 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) k Man, K Chang, J Lauer, A Challa, B Chang, M Day, J Lin, Mr Towner Back Row (L-R) J Chan, S Niu, N Hallasso, L McDonald



Stage Band

Front Row (L-R) B Robertson-Hall, E Vonthethoff, D Kaladelfos, T Cuk, D De Cruz, M Hunter, S Holt, S Zentilomo

Back Row (L-R) D Burdon, S Gurjar, J Sheahan, A Vonthethoff, S Janssen, Mr Towner



**String Ensemble** 

(L-R) D Kim, A Lai, M Terry, B Cheung, D Lee, Mr Towner, Absent - Y Lee.

#### PD/H/PE & CAREERS

Once again the faculty has many achievements and activities with which to feel well satisfied. The staff have worked particularly hard consolidating the new and innovative programs of recent years and continue to grasp opportunities that benefit students at this school. Sydney Tech remains an environment in which subjects such as PD/H/PE and Careers can extend students and maximise the many advantages of a broad and relevant curriculum.

Gaining a third permanent member of the PD/H/PE faculty this year was a major development and a most welcome addition to Tech's teaching staff. Matt Hewett has worked both in Australia and overseas and brings a wealth of experience and expertise to the academic and professional life of the school. His appointment is timely, coinciding with the expansion of subject options over recent years. Matt will provide a sound and motivating foundation in core programs and importantly help to support subject specialisation in Human Movement and senior PD. His energy and enthusiasm for PD/H/PE are obvious and we look forward to the many contributions he will no doubt make to the education of boys at this school. Welcome Matt and good luck over the years ahead!

The School to Work program has gained considerable momentum since its recent introduction and now provides students with the opportunity and skills to develop a comprehensive careers' plan. From Years 9-12 there is a special and gradually increasing focus on activities that will ensure all students are prepared for the world of work. School to Work empowers students to make informed decisions in relation to a wide range of post school destinations. The program has taken on a cross-curriculum perspective this year and the necessary skills to negotiate opportunities beyond school are being made explicit in every subject. The delivery of careers education has shifted from job-related content to the diversity of employment related skills that prepare students to take on future work challenges and opportunities. Brett Mulholland has been the driving force behind establishing these programs and once again has demonstrated a commitment to whole school needs and the tailoring of programs to the special needs of students at a selective school. He willingly shares with students his rich experience and expertise and in a competitive world offers the boys an invaluable insight into life beyond school.

The senior PD courses have now been running in the school for the past four years and the interest in and enthusiasm for this area of study is gaining momentum. Students have undertaken studies in work units such as health, fitness, sports' performance and sports' medicine. The course work inspires a range of authentic

investigations that include performance activities, field trips, outdoor excursions and practical application. This year's HSC students are very focussed and producing work at high levels of achievement. We wish them well in the upcoming exams and feel sure that the array of positive experiences over the last two years will remain with them for many years to come. Paul Werner had the arduous task of teaching both senior courses this year and has shown the usual level of devotion he displays across the many roles he assumes throughout the school. Paul relishes the challenges and the great student spirit that exists in these courses and I commend him for so readily taking on the heavy workload and intense pressure that is associated with senior courses.

Years 7-10 PD and Human Movement courses have provided junior students with a comprehensive understanding of the many personal and social issues that confront them within and beyond the school. Students complete a range of stimulating projects and enter competitions that promote interest in real world applications of their knowledge and skills. The boys have refined their skills investigating topics in which there are numerous solutions and no guaranteed correct answers! Jorge Diaz has helped develop and organise project work and enabled the students to focus their attention on productive activities across a range of thought-provoking tasks. As always the many fortunate students who are taught by Jorge appreciate the care and concern he provides.

In conclusion I would like to pay tribute to the individual and collective efforts of the terrific group of teachers that undertake and support the activities of this faculty. Their genuine concern for students and dedication to academic excellence are foundations for a vibrant and productive learning environment. On a personal note I would like to thank Brett, Paul, Jorge and Matt for their ongoing support and advice throughout the year. Their collegiality, good humour and willingness to work towards common goals greatly enhance the level of support and education offered to students at this school. The PD/H/PE and Careers faculty are unceasingly involved in cross curriculum activities and their direct and indirect contribution to the school is indeed a valuable asset.

P. Owens Head Teacher

#### **CAREERS - 2002 HIGHER SCHOOL CERTIFICATE RESULTS**

Following receipt of the Higher School Certificate results and university offers, all students were successfully tracked to determine their post school destinations. As the UAI of students is no longer reported, our students agree to disclose the UAI to help us keep ongoing records and make comparisons from one year to the next.

In the 2002 HSC Sydney Technical High School had 8% of students with UAI's of 99+, 33% of students 95+, 58% of students 90+, 76% of students 80+ and 89% of students 70+.

Our top scoring students with UAI's of 99 or more were: Brian Henson, Andrew Inglis, Peter Bui, Andris Gauja, Yi Shun Teoh, Braydon Patterson, Paul Fanous, Mina Hanna, Justin Ang, Mark Whitty, Lawrence Puang, Prashant Murthy, Quincy Tse.

The following table gives a comparison of results from one year to the next. As the UAI is a relatively new way of ranking students, comparisons are made using TER equivalents ie position against HSC student's marks.

#### 2002 HSC Results

In summary	UAI	TER	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002		
Top 5% Top 10% Top 25% Bottom 50%	97.00 93.85 84.00 66.00	95 90 75 50	25% 41% 71% 10%	20% 38% 64% 14%	21% 38% 71% 6%	15% 31% 70% 10%	23% 40% 84% 10%		
% of Year 12 gaining a University Offer									
1995 76% 1996 87% 1997 86% 1998 90% 1999 86%					2000 2001 2002	92% 90% 87%			

Mr B Mulholland Careers Adviser

#### **TECHNOLOGICAL AND APPLIED STUDIES**

The TAS faculty has had another enjoyable year in 2003. The year has been characterised continuing development of the senior HSC courses and we have been really encouraged by the excellent success of our 2002 HSC students in both Design and Technology and Engineering Studies.

Students in the senior Design and Technology class have worked extremely well. Each year the students seem to generate more innovative concepts. Many people were impressed with Alex Micaller's folding BBQ setting (nominated for the *DesignTech* display) and Eric Connerton's juke box bar. The whole class have been great entertainers and their project choice seems to reflect this! The students are indebted to Mr Graham for his energy in co-ordinating such a wide range of innovative projects.

The Design and Technology display night this year was again well supported. It was particularly pleasing to see the parents of the Year 11 students coming along to meet with Mr Gowan. We believe they gained a real insight to the scope and complexity of what goes into an excellent major project, so that they can be better able to support their sons in Year 12.

The faculty is pleased to maintain interest in allowing gifted students to accelerate in the senior subjects. This year Tomislav Cuk is sitting for the HSC in Engineering Studies. Also Nick Psomas, Daniel Fernandes and Nick Andrianakos, Year 10 students are presently accelerating in Year 11 Engineering Studies and Design & Technology respectively and we are pleased with their progress.

Congratulations also need to be passed on to Mark Whitty. In the 2002 HSC in Engineering Studies his results were exemplary with Mark coming third in NSW. A number of his responses were used in the Standards Package sent to schools so the students in the following year can see what an exemplar response to questions contain. Most pleasing was the quality of the detail and expression in Mark's responses. This year's class has done a great job in maintaining the very high standard set by Tech students in Engineering over many years.

Our concentration in developing student's literary ability has not been contained to the senior years with a real emphasis on the development of oral and written communication skills across all years. A number of parents of Year 7 and 8 boys have passed on to me the 'burning of the midnight oil' needed to get design reports and assignments, engineering reports and seminar material 'just right.' It is this sort of preparation that allows students to maximise their performance in the senior school. My thanks to Mr Edwards for his continual support in the literacy area.

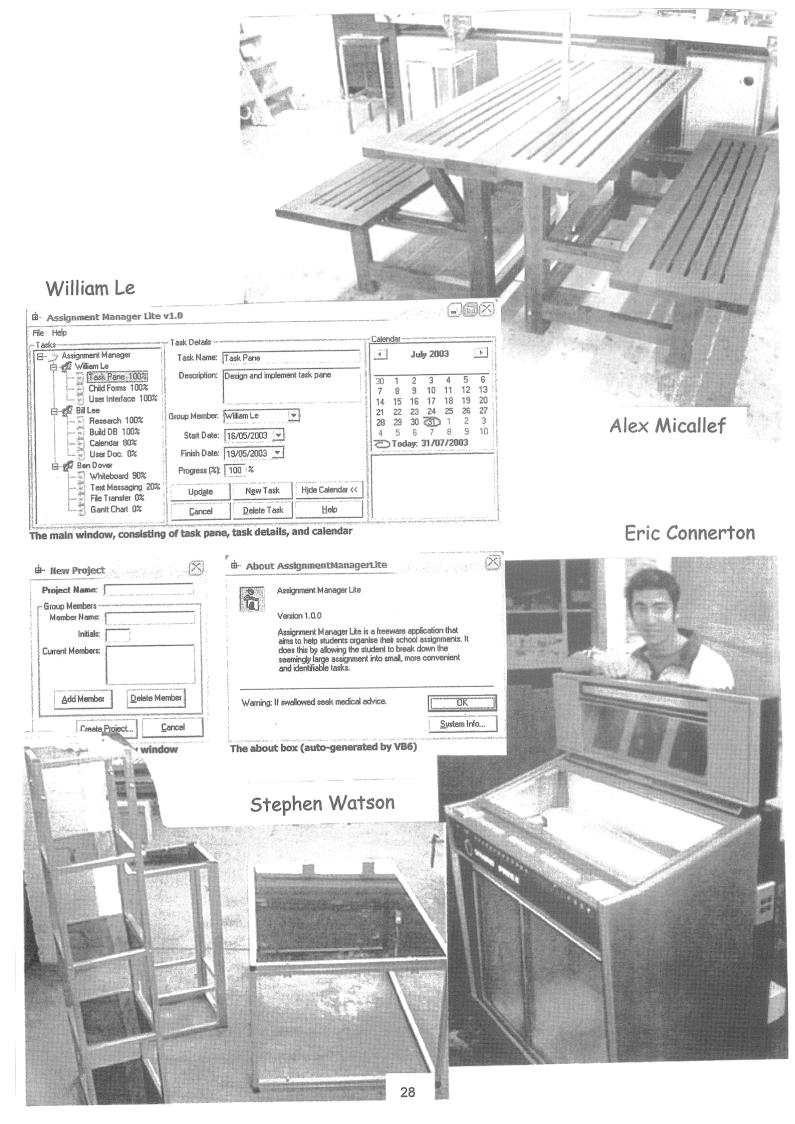
The Ministers' Young Designer's Competition and the IDP project generated a lot of interest from the Year 8S students. My thanks go to Mr Graham and Mr Stokes for their work with the SEP program. Our Year 9 Design and Technology classes continue to work with St George Special School by designing and constructing equipment for individual children, most of whom have handicaps requiring specialised and expensive equipment. My thanks to Mr Cooper and Mr Gowan for their enthusiasm in this initiative which has continued to develop with the school moving to a new site with all the settling-in demands.

The TAS faculty continues to have strong links with our major universities. Both Sydney University and UNSW are very happy to have our students visit, or be visited by university faculty members and this opportunity was taken up a number of times this year. For example, in the June holidays six of our students attended a targeted program for gifted students run by the School of Materials Engineering.

We continue to be pleased with the way students are adapting to the new ProDesktop 3D modelling software. The program is now being used extensively in the Technical Drawing classes and being introduced to the junior Design and Technology classes. It has a fairly steep learning curve but the boys are being tenacious and producing some excellent designs and drawings. This year we have linked the program to a small computer controlled milling machine which at the moment is producing foam models of engineering components to a high level of accuracy. Special thanks to Mr Coulston for his expertise in the setting up of the software and hardware to enable the use of these facilities to be maximised. The staff anticipates that this facility will have a lot of applications across a range of subjects in the faculty.

I am very indebted to Mr Riley, Mr Simmonds and Mr Cooper who have worked tirelessly in the continual development the network facilities that enhance the delivery of our courses in the TAS area.

Lloyd Zietsch Head Teacher



#### **COMPUTING STUDIES**

The Computing Studies faculty has grown this year due to a great deal of interest from the students studying in this field. We have increased in the junior school with, a new venture for us, an accelerated class in Years 9 and 10 studying the senior course Information Processes and Technology.

Thanks need to go to the computing teachers for their dedication and willingness to take on new challenges. We continue to learn as we continue to facilitate learning for the students. The results we earned in the HSC were again very pleasing for us. Many students in both Software Development and Design and Information Processes and Technology achieved marks well above state average – congratulations to all.

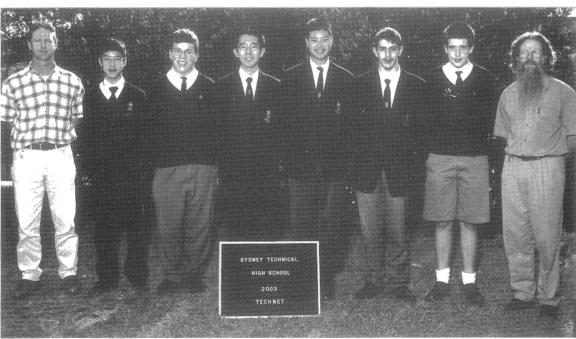
The number of students choosing computing studies subjects as an elective choice in both junior and senior years continues to grow. The reflection end of the first year of the accelerating Information Processes and Technology class is that it has been quite a successful venture. The fifteen students have all coped very well with the added demands of this senior course and its extra time requirements. We all wish them the very best next year in the HSC.

Forty five students competed in the University of NSW Computing Studies Competition this year. The majority of these achieved a distinction or higher. I am constantly encouraged by the high levels of interest and ability the boys display.

Two groups of three students competed in the NSW Programming Competition. No results at the time of writing but these two teams have enjoyed the challenge of this very tough competition. One of the demanding and exciting parts of working at Sydney Tech is the interest the students show in studying computing technology and its effect on the world. I feel that this is in a large part due to the hands on nature of all our teaching and use of computers in this faculty and across the whole range of curriculum. At times we struggle to maintain the nexus between the needs and wants of the students and the necessities of the curricula. If it were easy how much fun would it be?

Many congratulations need to go to Jonathan Wu, Ben Green, Mitchell Reid and the Intranet team. These students have designed constructed and maintained the school's intranet. This has proved to be an invaluable tool for information exchange around the school. Many of the staff are in full flight using this as an integral part of their teaching practice, streamlining and directing students to information both inside and outside of the school's electronic walls. Well done boys.

Martin Riley Head Teacher



(L - R) Mr Cooper, T Duong, M Reid, H Xaio, J Wu, B Green, M Gardiner, Mr Riley

#### LIBRARY

During 2003 the Library's focus has been on facilitating student research and developing the book collection. Improvements have also been made to the School Archives, the School Website and Library facilities and equipment. The new fibre optics cable has made internet research a pleasure and the new photocopier has the approval of both students and library staff.

Technological advances have made production and retrieval of information much easier than in the past. Some say that this has resulted in "information overload", "data smog" and "information fatigue syndrome". There is only one solution, go for quality and become more discerning. This will allow students searching the internet to separate useful information from the millions of hits that are irrelevant, unclear and inaccurate. Students can rely on the Library's book and periodical collection. Books purchased are selected by the Librarian often on the recommendation of teachers, students or the Department. Feedback from parents and students is always welcomed. Each year, the Library spends up to \$5,000 on subscriptions for quality periodicals. Quality and discernment is the motto for the information age.

The school's website, http:www.sths.nsw.edu.au, has been improved. It now incorporates the Old Boys' website. Thanks to the outstanding and dedicated work of Jackson Wong. As well the school's monthly newsletter, Tech Talk, can be found on the site. New items were added to the Gallery, Reading Room and Prospectus. Looking ahead, the Library catalogue may soon be available through the school's website. This would allow students to search the catalogue from home. The last minute scramble into the Library to find the bibliographic details to complete the bibliography of an assignment may be a thing of the past.

The Bob Booth Archives Room continues to be of interest to Old Boys, students and teachers. Year 7 use this room to research the school's history. Without exception they appreciate the depth of Tech's history and traditions. Surprisingly though, their empathy with the past does not extend to volunteering to demonstrate the use of the cane. There is no doubt that researching the school's history adds to their pride in their school. Anzac Day saw many old boys reminisce over old school journals and class reports from the 1930s and 1940s. One old boy finally returned text books issued to him in the 1930s. Better late than never! This year the Library completed the binding of old school journals at a cost of \$1,000. The school now has two sets 1916-1955 and three sets 1956-2002. These will be invaluable when the school's history is written.

Sydney Tech is fortunate to have outstanding Library Assistants in Mrs Farrell and Ms Reilly. Their patience and willingness to assist students is limitless. I thank them for their contribution in the running of the Library in 2003.

B Kaladelfos, Librarian

#### CANTEEN

Oh! So sad to say goodbye to Year 12 2003. This is the year I started with and know best, so far. Thank you prefects for your time and efforts and the entire year for all your support for the canteen. Good luck and may your future meet all of your expectations.

Thank you to all canteen volunteers for this year, without your assistance the canteen would not be the success it is. A very special thank you to the parents leaving this year. You will be sorely missed.

There are a large number of Yr 12 parents leaving us this year. We are desperately in need of replacements. Pay is terrible, but the benefits are hard to beat!

New food items introduced this year have been an overwhelming success and we will endeavour to keep the menu interesting.

Wishing everyone a successful 2004.

Irene Shute Canteen manager

#### WELFARE

In maintaining all existing welfare programs and introducing some new initiatives the school has continued to place considerable emphasis on the welfare of students during 2003. Once again there has been extensive staff involvement in ensuring that all students have been given the opportunity to achieve their personal goals in a supportive environment. The specialist welfare team including the year advisers, school counsellor, senior mentor and head teacher welfare have been greatly assisted by interested staff who have volunteered to assist with programs that help improve the welfare of our students. Assistance has been rendered in terms of supporting students with individual problems and through programs aimed at equipping students to become effective school citizens.

Proactive programs have been organised on a year basis and generally target identified areas of concern. The main programs and the focus area addressed are outlined below.

Year 7, Year Adviser Ms. T. Blake: transition program, Year 7 camp (relationships, team building, study skills), Peer Support, anti-bullying workshops

Year 8 Year adviser Mr. N. Stokes: Improved Communication (writing and study skills), Environmental Project Group (team building, group relationships, leadership), mentoring with teacher volunteers (time organisation, social skills)

**Year 9 Year Adviser Ms. P. Abson**: Year 9 study skills day (learning styles, goal setting, study methods, first aid), Year 9 camp (relationships, team building) in Term 4, St George Living In Harmony Forum

Year 10 Year Adviser Mr. P. Werner, Impact Entertrainers (study skills, motivation), Youth Leadership Forum (10 students), Peer Support Leader Training in Term 4

**Year 11 Year Adviser Mr. Derwent**. Year 11 camp ('Crossroads' drug education, relationships, homophobia), Academy Of Excellence seminar (goal setting, motivation), Peer Support leaders, Mentoring for selected students, Youth Leadership Forum (13 students)

Year 12 Year Adviser Ms. J. Haitidis: study skills, time management, interview skills and stress management workshops, Academy Of Excellence seminar (motivation, goal setting), mentoring for selected students, surviving the HSC.

I would like to express my appreciation of the hard work put in by Ms. L Cristofoletti (School Counsellor), Mr P Graham (senior mentor) and the Year Advisers during the year. In many cases it is only individual students who are aware of the efforts made to help them manage a problem. To all of the other staff who have volunteered to attend camps, run seminars, acted as mentors, helped students with concerns or just helped out, the welfare team is extremely grateful.

Neville Roper Head Teacher

#### ST GEORGE LIVING IN HARMONY FORUM

On 15 16 May, a group of 5 Year 9 students from our school, along with students from other secondary schools in the St George district attended a racism forum called "Living in Harmony". At the start, we were all seated and were introduced to the 'leaders' of the eight groups. Afterwards, we were all split up and sent into our groups. There, we met new people from all the different schools in the district and went on to discus the issues of racism in everyday life. This was done, not like a normal forum, but with the aid of activities and games. There was a timetable, which we followed for activities and recess and lunch. The food there was great ranging from many different cultures.

Jimmy Zhou and David Miskovic

#### SYDNEY 2003 STEP TO THE FUTURE YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM

On Friday 23 May 2003, twenty two students from Year 10 and Year 11 and attended the annual "The Australian's Step to the Future Youth Leadership Forum" held in the city.

It was an enriching experience as prominent speakers such as General Peter Cosgrove, Alan Jones, the TV presenter David Koch, Paralympian Ben Austin, the Honourable Craig Knowles as well as business leader Graham Bradley talked about topics such as leadership and the need to set goals and to follow your dreams.

It was truly inspiring to listen to their individual stories and how they all broke out of their constraints to be where they are now, like the uplifting story of Ben Austen and how he overcame his disability to win gold in international swimming competitions.

I believe the day was very useful as well as educational as it taught all of us important lessons on life, no matter what path you take, whether it is politics, sport, business, military or the media.

Jeffrey Feng Year 11

What struck us upon arrival was the enormity of the event. Tiered seating for two thousand people, television cameras, industrial lighting and a huge stage took us by surprise, as we awaited the kaleidoscope of society figures we had come to hear speak.

This kaleidoscope of speakers included an army general (Peter Cosgrove), a famous radio personality (Alan Jones) and a breakfast show host (David Koch). For the record, the main topics the forum concerned leadership, careers and the Howard' Government's overhaul of the HECS system. The highlights of the day were of course, the Question and Answer sessions after each speech and socializing with people from other schools.

Indeed we missed out on a day of school, but not for the reasons we at first thought. The 2003 Youth Leadership Forum was inspirational, not to mention fun, and on behalf of the rest of our mates who attended, we would like to thank Mr Roper, Mr Werner and the rest of the teachers for giving us this opportunity.

Peter Pavlakis & Justin Penafiel Year 10

#### PARENTS' AND CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

This year's meetings at Sydney Tech, were once again a relaxed forum bringing the school and the community into close cooperation. The monthly meetings provided parents with information about educational programs, plans and policies of the school.

Issues raised and discussed included the school discipline policy, the setting up of the debating and public speaking network, assessments and reports, School Certificate and HSC results and the Annual Report. Guest speaker topics included the new English curriculum, drug education, improvements to the school computer network and gifted and talented education.

Throughout the year Ms Irvine, Mr Dando and Mr McNaught attended the meetings reporting on what was happening in the school and were always there to listen to feedback and suggestions and to answer any questions raised. The parents of Sydney Tech thank for your commitment and also thank the following teachers who gave presentations during the year – Ms Demetriades, Mr Owens, Mr Roper, Mr Riley and Mr Heath.

At the annual combined meeting of Sydney Tech P & C and St George Girls P & C, hosted at Sydney Tech this year the guest speaker was Dr Michael Martin, Head Psychologist at the NSW Institute of Sport. He explained how focus and self belief to achieve goals as used by elite sportspersons could be applied to maximising student performance. Also, discussed at this meeting were ways of improving the relationship of our two schools for the mutual benefit of the students.

Our main social event for the year was the Year 7 barbeque and despite threatening rain it was a great success. It has been suggested that next year we consider having an additional social evening.

The generosity of the school community through contributions and clothing pool donations will once again finance the re leasing of the computer network and improvements to the school environment. Also, this year the P & C provided \$1000 to speech day awards. These funds meant that more boys at our school were recognised for their achievements.

Another full and busy year at Sydney Tech has passed and the P & C continues to link the boys and staff with the community to make a difference. Thank you to the executive for their dedication and willingness to always help in whatever is needed: Janet Chirkoff – vice president, Ian Newsom – vice president, Jo Thompson – secretary, Jo McCheane – treasurer, and Bob Cuk – finance committee.

It has been a pleasure to be part of this team and to have had the opportunity to communicate with staff, parents and friends interested in the well being of our boys.

Kath Andrianakos President

#### **INTERACT**

It is a feeling of remorse coupled with pride that fills me when I say that this will be my last year associated with this wonderful organisation. Interact makes sure that the involvement of Sydney Technical High School in community initiatives and charities is carried on and for this I feel privileged to have been allowed to take part.

Year in, year out Interact has tackled the many issues afflicting humanity including third world poverty, cancer research and supporting the homeless. The success of past years has been emulated this year and can be attributed mostly to the timeless Tech Spirit and the willingness of the school community to support worthwhile causes. In 2003 Interact has raised over \$15,000 for those less fortunate.

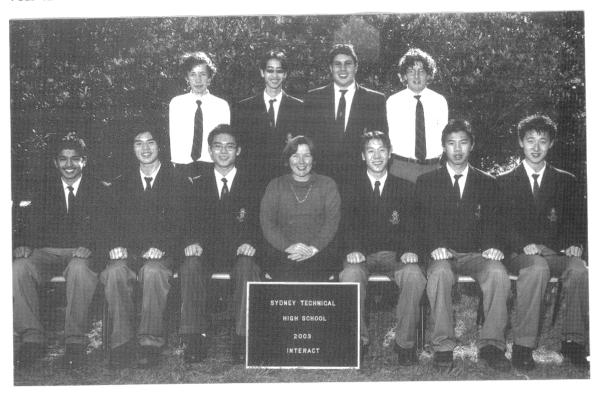
Interact is non-profit and proudly aims to support causes which will be of aid to those who need it most. Organisations such as the Starlight Foundation granting wishes to sick children, the Cancer Council researching into medical treatment of cancer, World Vision in support of those in third world countries and the SIDS foundation research into Sudden Infant Death Syndrome are continuously thanking Sydney Technical High School and Interact for their contribution and participation in their many community drives.

Interact seeks no recognition for its efforts and only asks that the school retains its community spirit and willingness to participate in charitable activities. Its satisfaction is achieved from creating community awareness and the instigation of successful initiatives. Made up of boys from Year 7 to Year 12 Interact promotes skills in leadership, communication, negotiation, organisation and community awareness along with the development of strong morals and ethics.

Like a rock that refuses to be weathered by the elements, the backbone of Interact has always been Ms Blake. Her involvement in the management and organising of Interact and its activities may sometimes be taken for granted but are always essential. Though she will never admit it, her value to the organisation is unquestionable and for that we of Interact and indeed Sydney Tech are truly grateful. Thanks must also be said to all staff that have supported Interact, especially the office ladies who have been wonderful in every respect.

On a personal note, this is my last year at Sydney Technical High School and so my last year with Interact. I mentioned at the beginning that it is with remorse and pride that I leave, sad that my involvement with this organisation is drawing to a close and proud that I had the opportunity to be part of it. I cannot stress how big a role being part of Interact has played in my life at Sydney Tech and should you wish to join I assure you it is an experience you will not soon forget.

Justin Lim Year 12



Front Row (L-R) A Nadkarni, C Tam, A Low, Ms Blake, J Lim, E Ho, R Jiang Back Row (L-R) B Robinson, B Lau, H Salem, J Ward

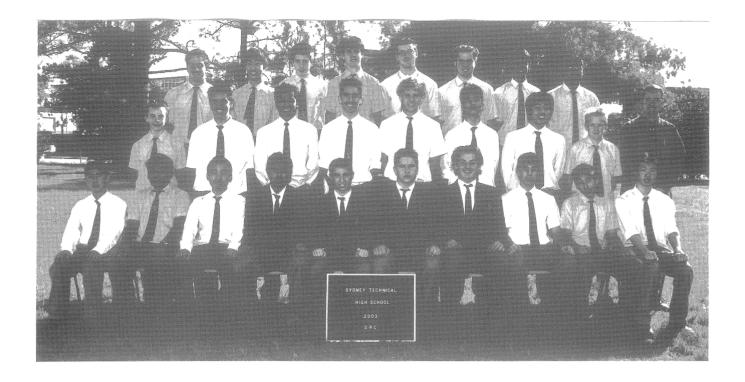
#### STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

The SRC has enjoyed another busy year under the leadership of Eric Connerton (President) and George Andrianakos (Vice President). These two gentlemen were adequately supported by a keen group of senior students. During the year, the Council has once again relied heavily on the school executive and the staff to achieve funding targets and to stage several social events. Thank you to Ms Irvine and the staff for their assistance throughout the year.

Several social events have been held during the year, mainly in conjunction with St George Girls High School. These successful events include the combined school dance, senior trivia night and the netball competition.

Junior members of the SRC have taken up opportunities to expand on their leadership skills with Stuart Holt being selected to represent St George District at the State SRC Conference held in August. These young students are the future of the SRC and it is pleasing to see that they are actively involved in providing many valuable ideas and initiatives for the future.

Mr M Bellamy Coordinator



## FRED

This year's new FRED team has recently put out an excellent edition of the fabled paper, FRED. After a slow start, the new Frediters quickly adapted to the ways of the journalist, and soon had made a great issue of the newspaper.

The next edition of FRED is already in production and should reflect the quirky humour and political and social concerns of Tech's students.

After all these years FRED continues to be a channel for students to express their thoughts and exercise their creativity.

Filip Lovely and Robert West Editors



## PUBLIC SPEAKING

In 2003, Tech High public speakers continued to bring credit to their school through their speaking skills and by the way they conducted themselves in competitions.

Participants in the Rostrum Voice of Youth performed well. Our junior entrants were Stephen Tan and Timothy Duong of Year 9, while Eric Canbery and Andrew Low of Yr 11 represented the school at the senior level. Eric was selected to compete in the regional event.

Andrew Low and Tomislav Cuk were selected to represent the school in the Lions Club of Oatley "Youth of the Year". This competition assesses students on the basis of their academic, sporting, cultural and civic achievements as well as their ability to speak before an audience. Andrew won the prepared and impromptu speaking section while Tomislav became the "Youth of the Year" for the Oatley club. He went on to represent the club in the zone competition where he, once again, spoke with flair and conviction.

Ibrahim Tohidi-Esfahani and Andrew Low of Year 11 participated in The Sydney Morning Herald Plain English Speaking Award, each giving creditable eight minute to prepare and 3 minute impromptu speeches.

In the Junior Legacy Public Speaking competition our representatives were Andrew Lilley and Stephen Tan of Year 9. Both students spoke very well, with confidence and creativity.

At the St George Eisteddfod Eric Canbery and Steven Trinh of Year 7 participated. This competition is a valuable experience for all speakers, both as participants and observers.

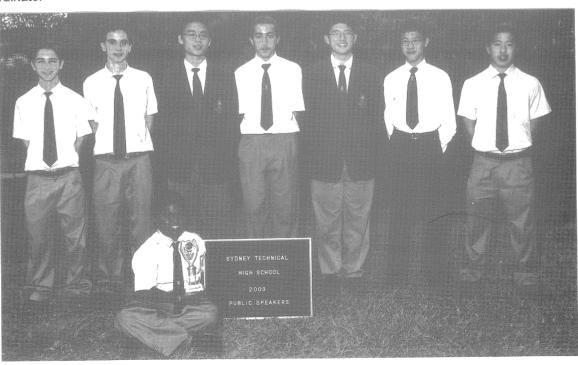
In April, John Hilberts of Year 12 and Andrew Lilley represented the school at the Hurstville City Council, "Have Your Say Day", where John won an award for his speech on youth in the community.

In Term 4 of 2002, the annual STHS Public Speaking Competition was held. All junior students participated in into-class competitions and a representative of each class spoke before a large audience of his peers and a panel of judges. The school is indebted to the parents and staff who acted as judges for that competition. The winners last year were: Year 7 - Wayne Aguiar,

Year 8 - Andrew Lilley, Year 9 - Peter Pavlakis, Year 10 - Andrew Low.

This Interclass Speech Competition will be held again in Term 4 2003.

## Ms A Harrison Coordinator



L to R P Pavlakis, A Lilley, A Low, I Tohidi-Esfahani, E Canbery, T Duong, S Tan, A Sivashanmugarajah

## DEBATING

## YEAR 12

Oh so close – yet so far! Andrew Errington, Jagadish Gorrepati and James Myint made the State final of the Commonwealth Bank Senior Debating competition against The Kings School, held at the Art Gallery of NSW. As negative, the boys had to prove 'that stupid white men do not rule the world'. Despite the parochial support of 100 students, staff and family members, the boys were defeated after getting trapped in a definitional dispute. The adjudicators later explained that Kings, as affirmative, had 'right of definition', and that we had to accept their definition or claim it was truistic and play reactive negative. Instead, the boys tried to 'even-if' the definition and claim it was truistic at the same time – a fatal error which side-tracked them from the very start. It was always going to be a difficult debate to win, yet the similarity of this loss to the one suffered earlier in the year in the Hume Barbour semi final against Sydney Boys made it even more disappointing for the team. Nevertheless, in terms of arguments, the boys proved yet again that their thorough research, general knowledge and understanding of global concepts were superior to their opponents – but these were not enough when opposing a well drilled Affirmative team arguing a narrow case.

Along the way, Andrew, Jagadish and James won eight debates in succession: Port Hacking (on forfeit), Woolooware, Jannali High, St Patrick's Sutherland, Bethlehem College, St Aloysius, Nowra and Warners Bay in the semi final, before their loss against The Kings School in the final. This was a wonderful effort by them, but particularly for Jagadish, who was in his first full year of debating competition.

Earlier in the year, the Hume Barbour Competition (one hour preparation), Andrew Errington and James Myint were again 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> speakers respectively, while Warren Ang was 2<sup>nd</sup> speaker and Sid Gurjar was team adviser. The team easily won its preliminary group, defeating Sydney Girls, Kogarah and Jannali High Schools. In the met East semi final against Sydney Boys, the team lost the toss and the topic selection and was virtually forced out their entire case to play the unusual role of 'reactive' negative. They were convincingly beaten. Thanks go to Warren and Sid who have been part of the debating team since Year 10 and had many more wins than losses over the three years.



Mr N Melvin - coach



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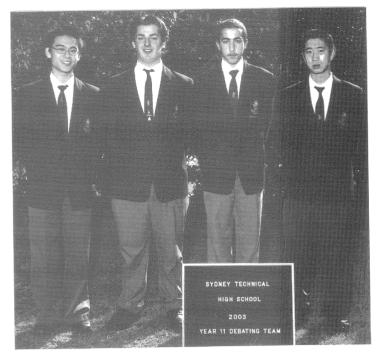
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## YEAR 11

The Year 11 team participated in the Karl Cramp Competition. The team consisted of Andrew Low, Nick Kipriotis, Ibrahim Tohidi-Esfahani, Kosta Hountalas, John Chao and Michael West in various combinations and permutations.

After winning the zone, the team was narrowly defeated by Sydney Boys High in a challenging quarter final debate.

Ms M Peric Coach



## YEAR 10 - COMMONWEALTH BANK JUNIOR COMPETITION



There seems to be no stopping this charismatic team. Consider the style and substance found in Andrew Thompson, Joseph Istiphan, Stephen Zographakis, Imteaz Ahmed, Robert West, Peter Pavlakis and Justin Penafiel and it is no surprise that we found ourselves in the Met-East regional final. Unfortunately the team were defeated by Sydney Boys in the regional final held at Woolooware High.

Our two recent victories over all girl teams form Burwood Girls (not surprisingly all girls) and Gymea Technology High (co-ed) are testament to the speaking flair of all members of the team.

Our secret weapon, ladies man Joseph was once again responsible for reducing our opponents to quivering wrecks. The calm and assured Stephen is a perfect counterpoint to the loquacious Andrew. Imteaz and Justin provide solid intellectual ballast to the ship.

This team has also represented the school in the UTS competition and were runners up in the St George Eisteddfod.

Mr D Butcher Coach

## YEAR 7 AND 8

Two teams of Year 7 and 8 boys were formed to attend the Macquarie University Debating competition. The team was supported by enthusiastic parents who drove their sons and other pupils across the city to Epping through heavy traffic.

The boys competed in three debates and were given extensive feed back from the adjudicators. This was a valuable learning process as each student reflected that the experience had sharpened their skills. The team consisted of Anosh Sivashanmugarajah, George Issa and Steve Trinh from Year 7. The Year 8 team included Luke Bacon, Uri Chouster and John Vallis.

Extreme interest in debating in Year 8 was reflected in the formation of another team that represented our school in a round robin competition against Kogarah. This team consisted of David Truong, Wayne Aguiar, Jacob Lescove and Kyrillos Ibrahim.

Ms L Grey Coach

## WRITER IN RESIDENCE

Sydney Technical High ran its Writer in Residence program for the second time in 2003. Ms Linden Wilkinson was invited to take up the position of Writer in Residence and proved very popular with students.

Linden came to the school with impressive credentials, having been screenplay writer for such notable Australian television productions as "GP", 'A Country Practice' and 'E Street'. She is also involved as writer and script editor in a new drama series coming soon to television called 'The Watch'.

As Writer in Residence, Linden led fortnightly workshops with Years 9, 10 11 and 12. Participants from all years experimented with new ways of writing narrative texts as well as dabbling in a wide range of genres ranging from erotic fiction to animation.

The aim of the program was to improve the writing skills of a self-nominated group of students who wished to become gifted and talented writers. The Careers Cottage was a cosy and effective location to spend valuable time with Linden each fortnight discussing the finer points of creative writing, as well as gain insights into the world of the professional writer.



The feedback and mentoring Linden provided was very helpful, particularly to Year 12 Extension 2 and Drama students, and gave students a critical yet experienced view of their work. We thank Linden for her work this year and hope to utilise her services again in the future.

A short selection of Writer in Residence students' work is displayed in the literature section of the journal.

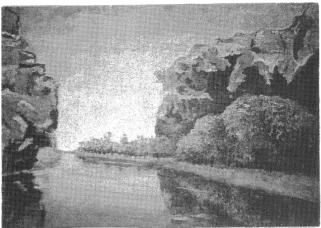
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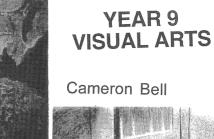
2003 was a challenging year of competition for our chess teams. The school entered four teams in the Secondary School Chess competition; Year 7 and 8 teams in the junior section and Year 9 and 10 teams in the intermediate section. All teams played some exciting matches showing initiative, enthusiasm as well as team work. Congratulations on another good year.

Ms B Engel Coordinator



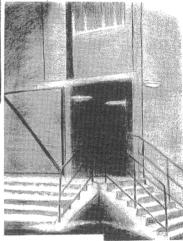


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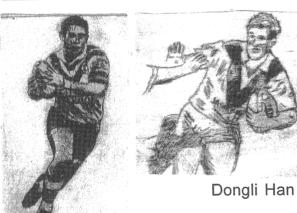


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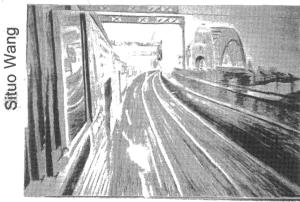
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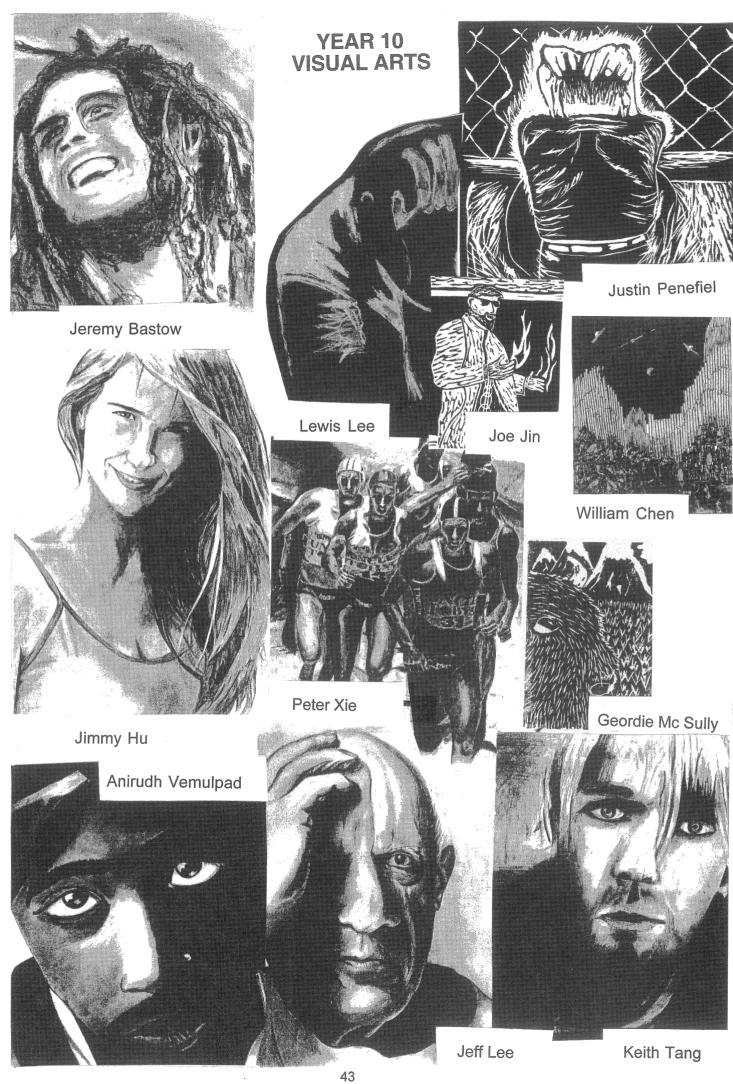




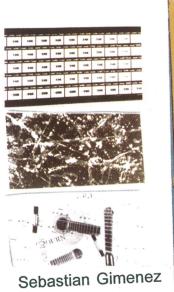


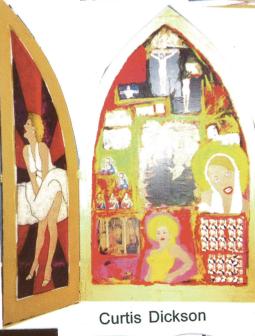
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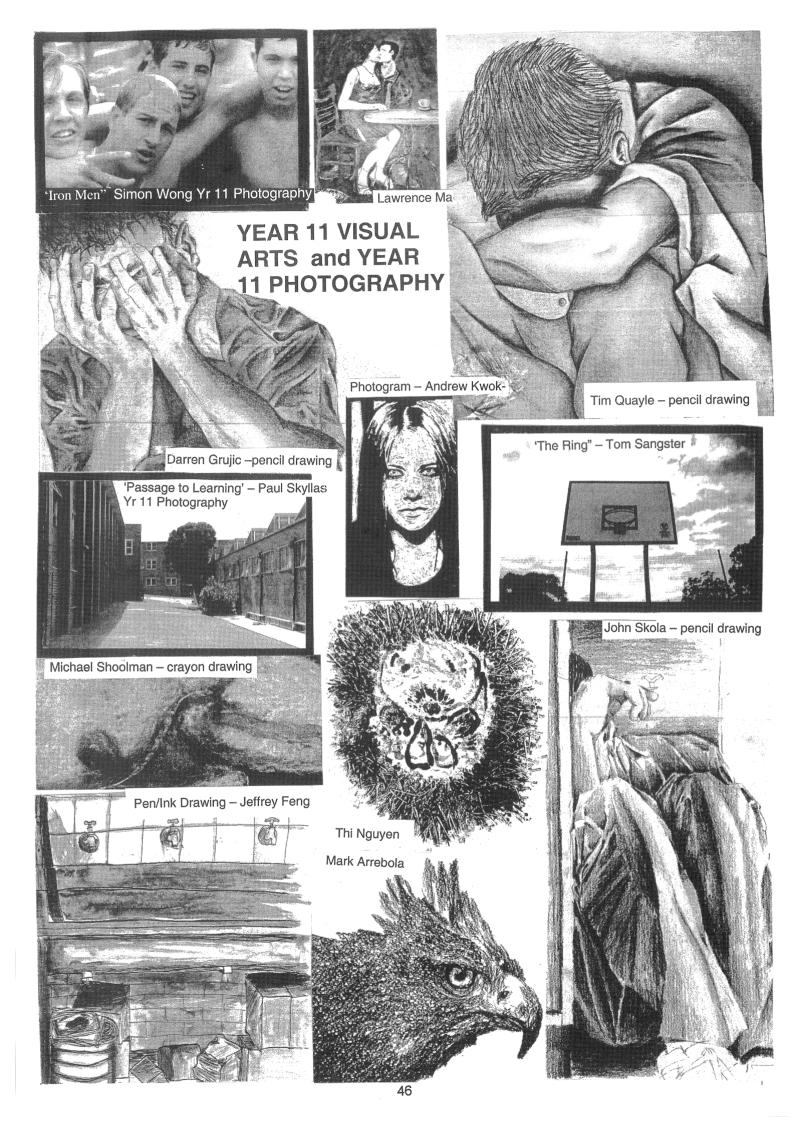
Rico Lee











## Year 12

Sob, Sob, Sob, Sob.....

This is the last time I will write about the class of 2003. It has been an exhausting six years. My 'revolting' Year 7 boys have turned out to be an absolutely wonderful Year 12 - who would ever thought? Change being their compulsory area of study and how appropriate. Not only have some student changed drastically, so have their perceptions and hence my world. Change is not definite, it is a process where experience helps to broaden, enlighten or educate. I hope I have been a 'catalyst' in this process. I sure did try to get you to come good. The consequences have sure been positive. The SRC dance confirmed how far we have come. A great night was had by all (Prasad 'got lucky), Keith hasn't stopped dancing, Vlad had to rap, George was the dying rabbitoh, Peter loved dressing in a netball skirt, Andrew belonged in a 'Cadillac', Alex in his gorilla suit, Justin in a loin cloth - What can I say?

"Different" you sure were and I thank you for being you. I wish you all the success in the future and I hope you all take away with you some of these fond memories. I will miss you all !!!!! Have a 'hectic' time at your farewell.

Love
"Jen from the bloc", Ms Haitidis
Year Adviser

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## YEAR 11 CAMP

It was the 2003 Year 11 annual camp at Narrabeen Sports Academy. It was a well-deserved camp as Year 11 had just completed their tedious and ever-so tiring half yearly exams. The majority of Year 11 thankfully left the school on what was one of the wettest weeks that was recorded in Sydney in 45 years.

Nevertheless, this festive occasion was blemished with initial worries that some of the roads leading to Narrabeen were closed due to the heavy flooding that was sustained. Thankfully the buses arrived and we boarded, determined to make the most of our time at camp. With the weather aside and an hour and a half drive to Narrabeen on a chilly and wet Wednesday morning, Narrabeen Sports Academy was truly going to be an amazing experience and the realization that this was our last chance to relax before dreaded Year 12.

We arrived at Narrabeen and were ushered into the 'Bunker'. The Bunker was an underground stronghold that was to be our meeting place. We were introduced by Ben who detailed the number of activities available (some activities had to be cancelled due to the weather) and he informed us of our meal times, placed the grade into activity groups and we were allocated cabins numbers. To the utter glee of all, we were provided with spacious and surprisingly sparkling cabins. Each cabin had its own common room with fully functional TV and fridge as well as comfortable bunk beds but sleep was the last thing on our minds.

However we did not spend the whole camp eating and watching 'Jerry Springer'. A number of activities were available, and we were to meet the terms of a meticulous schedule of activities and seminars. The camp was interlinked with the 'Crossroads Program' that is undertaken by Year 11 all over New South Wales. Seminars included talks on drugs and how to say 'no' and avoid confronting situations. We were also given a talk by a disabled man who spoke to us about understanding disabled people and the difficulties that these people endure every day of their lives. It was very informative and we all learnt a great deal. After this we were taken to have a few games of wheelchair rugby and disabled volleyball, which were all very enjoyable and helped us understand the extra hurdles faced by disabled people.

The grade enjoyed activities such as canoeing, the low and high ropes courses, and other indoor activities. These activities aimed at teamwork and cooperation, which we all enjoyed a great deal and many new friendships were made. On Thursday night we were given a choice of two activities to watch a movie or play trivia. Half the grade saw the movie and the other played trivia. These activities were much needed and relaxing.

To our surprise, the food provided was absolutely delicious. For breakfast lunch and dinner we were provided with mouth-watering meals, which satisfied us until we could eat no more.

The camp finally ended on Friday, with most students fast asleep on the bus after three days of constant activity and lack of sleep. It was a very memorable and enjoyable camp and will be cherished by us all. Special thanks go to Mr. Derwent and the Year 11 Camp Committee who sacrificed hours of time to make sure the whole camp went off without a hitch. Also the year's gratitude obviously goes to the teachers who accompanied us on our trip and the wonderful people at Narrabeen Sports Academy. Mr Bellamy, Ms Blake, Mr Cranston, Ms Davis, Mr Derwent, Ms Golledge, Mr Melvin, Mr Roper and Mr Zeitsch were the teachers who worked with us over the two days.

Shamil Samji, Aniket Nadkarni and Thomas Koshy





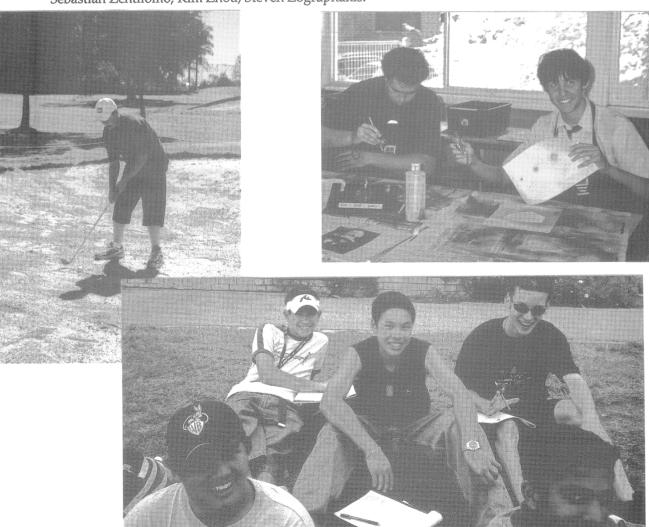
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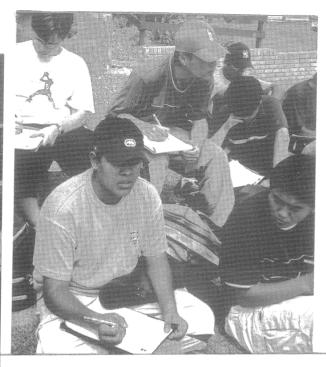


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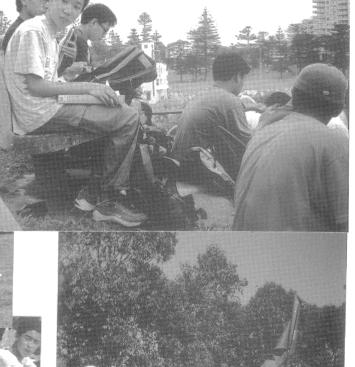
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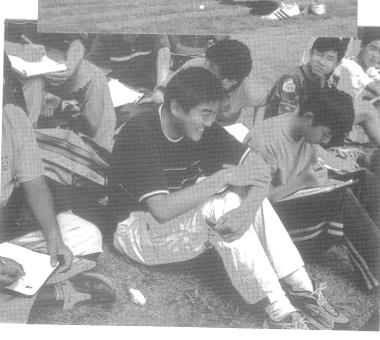




















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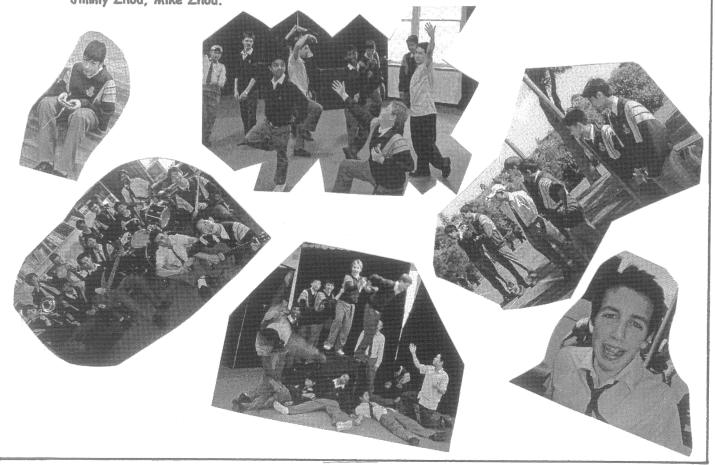
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## YEAR 7 CAMP

On March 10<sup>th</sup>, Year 7 set out to the Royal National Park. We strolled towards the bus with our heavy suitcases. Finally we departed. But the nice, sunny day turned out into a wet, horrible day. The buses arrived at the destination and we had to dodge the puddles of water.

We were separated in groups and met the instructors. After that everyone ran to their designated cabins and dumped their bags on their beds. An hour later we were told to go to the quadrangle for our activities. There were many activities, for example canoeing, sailing, archery, fishing and abseiling. Darkness began to fall and we fell asleep (after a lot of shhhh's). The next morning owing to rain, plans changed for the day. We has to miss out on the bushwalk and instead watched a movie. We also missed out on canoeing, sailing, fishing and abseiling.

Another day flew past, and it was the last day. Boys at Rathane had to walk over to the other campsite, Telford. We followed the yellow brick road, more like the muddy, black road towards Telford. The whole of Yr 7 watched a video the instructors made for us during the three day period. It was our time to leave, we thanked the instructors and slowly deserted. We arrived at school and watched the disappointed parents pick up their children. The weather decided to clear up. We explained our great time at camp to our parents. My mum said, "I wish I was there" as if she would ever know.

A big thanks to Ms Blake and all the other teachers for their time and effort over the three days. An excellent time was had by all despite the rain.

#### Ivan Luburic 7P

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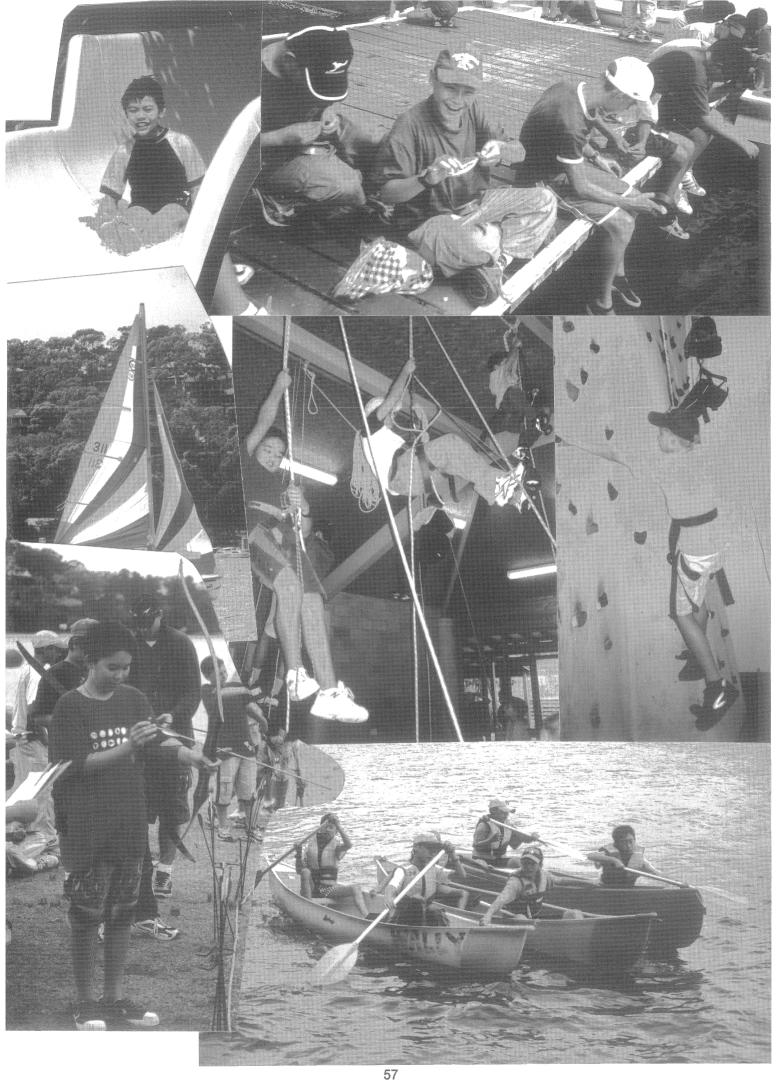
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## LITERATURE

#### Male Cinderella

Bob's dad was a labourer for a farmer outside Tamworth, Mr K Matthews, also the mayor of the tiny town of Pulanjara. When his dad died Bob had to leave school to work even though he was only fifteen. Seeing that his mother had died when he was very young it was just Bob and his two older sisters Katherine and Tulleach in their small fibro house in Pulanjara.

"Your father was a good man, Bob, "Stan Black, the farm's foreman, had told Bob on his first day at the Matthew's farm, "if you're half as good as him then I'm glad to have you, but don't let me catch you bludging!" He certainly hadn't found Bob Shearer bludging; Bob had worked like a demon since that day, almost two years ago. At first it had been small jobs around the house but the ever-wily Stan Black had seen that although Bob wasn't the sharpest tool in the shed he could work with the best and possessed a fierce determination to do the best he could. Nowadays, Bob worked with Stan grazing sheep. ""E's for you Bob", said Stan last month, on Bob's birthday, "no use to me anyhow." The present was a cattle dog, a mong if there ever was one but soon Bob and Horry were mates, it had become natural for Bob to whistle Horry, round up the sheep and shear them in spring. For the fact was, Bob preferred the outback to home, with his sisters who were always belittling his good sides and enlarging his bad sides.

"It's no wonder Bob loves his sheep so much, they have so much in common, like intelligence!" jeered Katherine. "If you took any longer to make up your mind you'd starve," stated Tulleah.

One day after returning home from work Bob found his sisters in their best clothes.

'What's the occasion?' he asked.

'There's a dance up at the Town Hall,' answered Katherine, 'and we're meeting Craig and David.'

'Oh, can I come?' he asked.

'No,' said Tulleah, running out the door, 'Oh and Bob there's a \$30 entry fee so can we use the money from under your mattress?'

'What...No! Wait, that's for a when...'

'Thanks, Bob!' they laughed driving off in Craig's car.

For a long time Bob has been wanting to take advantage off an offer of Mr Matthews to send any of his employees to Brisbane to do a course on Agriculture and Land Usage, but Bob would have to pay his own way there and his own meals in Brisbane. Stan had agreed to drive him down but Bob still reckoned he needed \$400 to buy food until he could get a part time job in Brisbane and it took Bob so long to save anything for himself. Still, he thought, sixty bucks wasn't such a big chip dent when he considered that he had saved over \$300. oh no, he thought, he hadn't seen his sister's new dresses before, surely not even they could... He ran into his room and threw the mattress to the ground. Ten dollars, that was all he saw, no, \$10.50 in fifty cent coins. Not really knowing why, he put them in his pocket and walked into the night followed by Horry.

He walked along the river in silence, all his money gone, all he had saved gone on a couple of dresses and a dance. He would not be able to save enough by next year and after that would the offer still stand? In his rage he threw the remaining \$10.50 into the river and sat down. Before long a huge creature popped up our of the water. Bob screamed.

'He who throws 21 shiny stones into my creek will be granted two wishes!' boomed the Bunyip.

Wow two wishes, but what to wish for, death to his sisters? No, Bob couldn't stoop to that level. His instinct told him not to wish for money. It was then that Bob had the best idea of his life.

'For my first with I wish that I knew what I should wish for and with my second wish I will have that wish granted.' 'Very well!' the Bunyip boomed.

An instant later Bob found himself sitting on a verandah to an old cottage surrounded by outback, a sheep or two, Horry at his side and a diploma of sheep grading hanging on the wall inside. He was reading a letter from his sisters saying they had moved to Paraguy and he found a feeling of contentment inside him. Bob realised that he had wished for happiness and happy he was.

James Diment 8S

## MEDEA BALLAD Caleb Mui Vr 12

She was the jewel of Colchis And the pride and joy of Aeetes The princess called Medea Was one of her lands great beauties

Along came a young hero one day He was strong and tall in stature And when Medea caught his eye Her heart broke out in rapture

Jason of the Argonauts Was a rash and callow youth His fickle nature and impetuosity Made him giddy and uncouth

With courage and determination however Medea did guide her love Through the countless trial and tribulations With just a little help from above

But upon returning to ancient Corinth With the golden fleece in hand Jason left Medea high and dry Alone in a strange and foreign land

For Glauce, the daughter of Creon of Corinth Was now Jason's hearts desire But little did he know of the price he would pay Or of the events that were to transpire For Medea was now scorned and shamed And so would make sure that Jason would regret His forgotten love and fatherly abandon On the children he did beget

Medea hatched a daring plan A plan to spite and kill For in the passing of their children She would forever haunt his will

With poison dress and venom crown Did Medea achieve her goal Both king and princess maimed and dead Sweetest of victories to extol

Then with iron sword and leadened heart Did Medea set her blow To fall upon her innocent young Earth stained with crimson flow

From down the skies by dragons drawn A chariot did come to save Medea, to Athens, forever damned and cursed From the hands of Jason the knave

# **EARLY MORNINGS**Marcus Taylor Yr 12

Electronic beeps amplified by the morning's youth Unnaturally disturbs deep slumber Glazed eyes blur As weighted eyelids struggle open.

A wild arm flings to stop the grating sound Then retreats back into the warmth Always 10 more minutes 5 more minutes Just ONE more minute!

It's hopeless
Duty calls
Like zombies we drag ourselves up
A tea, coffee or shower to kick-start an idle brain
Salvaging dissolving dreams
Or staring vacantly
At a wall
Or through a window
What's the weather like today?
Do I need a jumper?
Umbrella?
Simple thoughts
It's too early to grasp anything of depth or dimension.

Outside a dark blue haze hangs
It's hems resting upon a backyard powdered
Above, the fading moon clings to the tail end of night
Frosted blades of grass reflect its faint silvery glow like
miniature mirrors

Occasionally a car drives past
Headlights roving
Momentarily catching the faces of nameless
silhouettes
Walking slowly, mindlessly along the same paths
Travelling to ride the same train, in the same carriage
With the same people
Their mouths expelling vapour
It's cold.

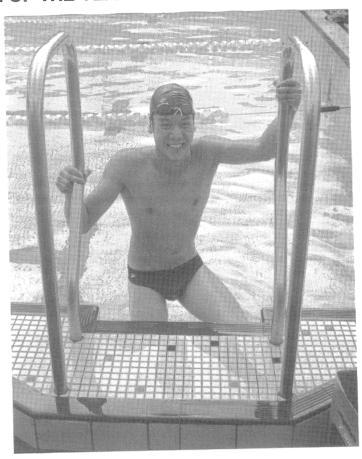
It just doesn't seem worth it Maybe I can call in sick Or just not turn up. \*sigh\*
Just one more day One more day.

At least it will be Friday soon......

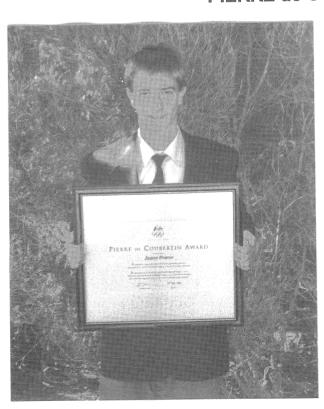
## SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

This is the highest sporting accolade that Sydney Tech can give. It is given to a boy who has continually over his school career given tremendous dedication to the school's sporting endeavours, and who has represented at high levels. The winner for this year is: JUSTIN LIM

Justin's record over the past six years includes representation at CHS carnivals for six years at swimming, for three years in athletics and once for cross country. In every year, he has made regional levels in athletics, swimming and cross country, and has performed creditably. Justin played grade cricket for the school every year for six years, representing in first grade over his past two years. Playing in A grade soccer teams over the same period, Justin was a first grade soccer player in his final year, playing in the Commonwealth Bank Cup team. Justin is a fine swimmer and a fine runner but his outstanding attribute is his determination to succeed, and this, mixed with his cheerful disposition, made him a fantastic representative of the school, and a pleasure to have involved in any sport.



## PIERRE de COUBERTIN AWARD



Awarded by the Olympic Foundation and given in honour of Baron de Coubertin, founder of the modern Olympics, this award is conferred to a sports person who has given outstanding service to the school in sport in general, but in particular to one or more of the three Olympic disciplines of cross country, swimming or athletics. Few are given out in the state each year, and only one can be given by each school each year and must go to a senior student, who truly represents the Olympic ideals of competition and sportsmanship of the highest order. 2003 has seen this award go to: JAMES PEARCE

James is a Year 11 student, who has a well-rounded sporting profile. From swimming, wherein he has represented the school at zone and regional level, to athletics and cross country where he has made regional standard, to his school grade sport, James is one of those lads who always "puts in". A talented soccer player, he has represented in A-grades from Year 7, and for the past two years has played first grade for the school, winning the Best and Fairest this year. He has played junior touch, senior water polo, and open grade cricket. His attitude, demeanour and general sportsmanship are beyond reproach and he thoroughly encompasses all of the attributes required for this award.

## SPORTS ORGANISER'S REPORT

During 2003 we were again the dominant school in the zone in boys' sport. We were the top school in all three carnivals and were declared the champion school in winter zone competition. For a school as big as ours which enters so many teams, this last one is of particular merit. The school enjoys a large participation in zone sport where we average thirty six teams per season and over 65% of the school represents per season. In all, over 75% of the boys play sport for the school at some stage during the year.

## **BLUES - 2003**

These boys have been awarded school blues. This means they have excelled in the areas for which they have been honoured, and have both given continued service and earned considerable high level success. This normally means representation at CHS level in their chosen sports. I commend them to you as wonderful ambassadors for the school and exceptional sportsmen, in all senses of that word.

Zac Bazzi	Swimming	Peter Diakonikolis	Hockey
Matthew Townsley	Swimming	Peter Diakonikolis	Softball
Tim Birkett	Swimming	Justin Lim	Athletics
Justin Lim	Swimming	Daniel Shute	Touch
Waleed Yousef	Basketball	Justin Lim	Cross Country
		Brendan Smith	Squash

#### SUMMER SPORT

The school entered a record 36 teams in summer competitions

## WINTER SPORTS

Again Sydney Tech was the dominant force in winter grade sport, and we were successful in a number of competitions. In all this school entered thirty six grade sports teams in winter, and we capped off a memorable year by being declared champion boys school in the winter season.

#### **FINALISTS**

Runners-Up
1 <sup>st</sup> grade soccer
15B1 soccer
1 <sup>st</sup> grade hockey
15B tennis
14 years tennis
D grade table tennis
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## **KNOCKOUT TEAMS**

Our teams reached the following rounds of their competitions:

Cricket	Round 3	Tennis	Round 3
Volleyball	Round 2	Open soccer	Round 2
Open basketball	Round 3	Soccer (Under 15)	Round 2
Rugby league	Round 2	Baseball	Round 4
Table tennis	Regional Champions	Squash	Round 3
Water polo	Round 3	Hockey	Round 3
15 years haskethall	Round 3 as at 10/9	Lawn bowls	Regional Champions

15 years basketball Round 3 as at Softball Round 4 Softball

## SPORTSMAN OF THE WEEK:

11/09/02 18/09/02 25/09/02 16/10/02 23/10/03 30/10/02 6/11/02 20/11/02 27/11/03	Amalesh Sukumar James Haurau Scott McNaught David Simmonds Waleed Yousef Robert Beaven Ben Newsome Karthik Venkartesh Thomas Koshy	3rd grade maroon cricket A grade touch 1st grade blue cricket 13 maroon cricket 1st grade basketball 2nd gde cricket 13 years cricket 13 years cricket 2nd grade cricket	19/03/03 26/03/03 2/04/03 9/04/03 30/04/03 7/05/03	Steven Su Adrian Lalchere Byron Li Anthony Mew John Hilberts Sajal Saha Tom Shepherd James Pearce Roy Yu, Zhi Zu	Swimming 13 years cricket 13 years rugby league 1st grade soccer Cross country Cross country 13 years rugby league 1st grade soccer Table tennis
4/12/03 5/02/03 12/02/03	David Shi Hans Luo Matthew Gilmour	15B basketball 13 years cricket Regional cricket	4/06/03 11/06/03 18/06/03	Steven Ma, Ju Yuan Peter Diakonikolis Ray Sedrak John-Paul Demos Steven Zographakis	Hockey Cross country Athletics Athletics
	Matthew Faulkner Tom Sangster	Regional cricket Regional cricket	23/07/03 30/07/03	Ivan Kraljevic Adam Momi Nick Andrianakos Idris Kamara	Cross country/soccer Athletics
19/02/03 26/02/03 5/03/03 12/03/03	Marcus Low Alex Vasilovski Matthew Gilmour Kurt Forrster	Swimming Open volleyball 1 <sup>st</sup> gde cricket Swimming	6/08/03 13/08/03 20/08/03 27/08/03 3/09/03	Nick Kipriotis Thomas Shepherd Jeremy Khoh Steven Ma Matthew Faulkner	Athletics 13 rugby league 13A soccer CHS table tennis 1 <sup>st</sup> grade cricket

## **TEAM OF THE WEEK:**

4/09/02 11/09/02 18/09/02 25/09/02 16/10/02 23/10/02 30/10/02 6/11/02 13/11/02 20/11/02 27/11/02 4/12/02 12/02/03 19/02/03 26/02/03	13A basketball 3rd grade maroon cricket Open A volleyball 13 blue cricket 13 maroon cricket 14B basketball 15 years volleyball 2rd grade squash 15A and 15B basketball Open volleyball 14A basketball 15B basketball 14B basketball 15 years volleyball 15 years touch	2/04/03 9/04/03 30/04/03 7/05/03 21/05/03 4/06/03 11/06/03 23/07/03 30/07/03 6/08/03 13/08/03 13/08/03 13/08/03	13 years rugby league  1st grade rugby league  14A soccer  13B1 soccer  Knockout table tennis team  Knockout tennis team  School cross country team  13A soccer  14B soccer  Open 4x100m relay team  14B softball  A2 table tennis  15B2 soccer  2nd A soccer  Regional athletic relay teams 13 years, 15 years, 17 years
5/03/03 12/03/03 19/03/03	A grade table tennis 13B basketball 14 years 4 x 50m relay swimming	27/08/03 3/09/03	1 <sup>st</sup> grade baseball 14 B soccer

## **SCHOOL AGE CHAMPIONS**

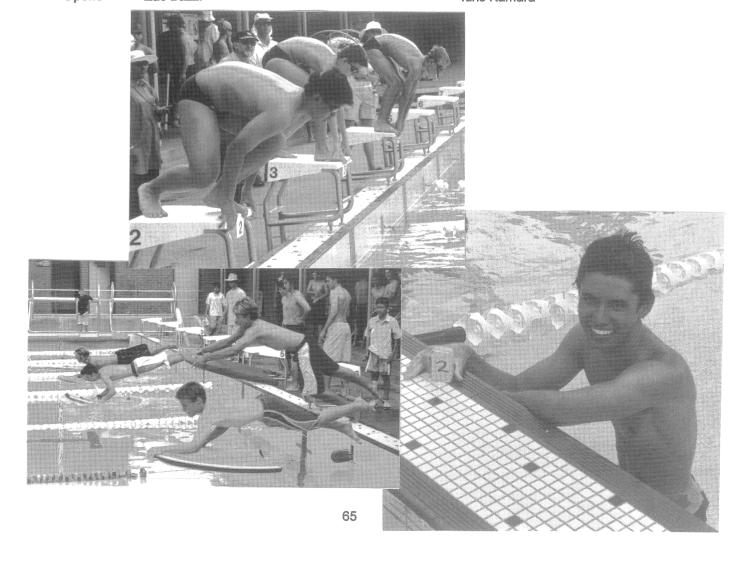
Age	Swimming	Cross Country	Athletics
12 years	Arden Burrell	Arden Burrell	John-Paul Demos
13 years	Marcus Low	Ray Sedrak	Ray Sedrak
14 years	Kurt Forrrester/Steven Su	Scott Robertson	Adam Momi
15 years	Nathan Low	Shiv Sivakumar	Nick Andrianakos
16 years	Michael Shoolman	Michael Shoolman	Steven Zographakis
Opens	Zac Bazzi	Idris Kamara	Idris Kamara

## ZONE CARNIVAL POINTSCORE POSITIONS (BOYS ONLY)

Carnival	Position
Swimming	1 <sup>st</sup>
Cross country	1 <sup>st</sup>
Athletics	1 <sup>st</sup>

## **ZONE AGE CHAMPIONS:**

Age Group	Swimming	Cross Country	Athletics
12 years			
13 years	Marcus Low	Ray Sedrak	
14 years	Steven Su	•	Adam Momi
15 years	Nathan Low		Nick Andrianakos
16 years	Michael Shoolman		
Opens	Zac Bazzi		Idris Kamara



## **ZONE REPRESENTATIVES**

These boys represented the St George Zone at the Sydney East Regional Carnival in the sports mentioned:

## **Swimming**

Nick Andrianakos
Michael Antonelli
Zac Bazzi
Tim Birkett
Kenrick Blaker
Arden Burrell
Kurt Forrester
Tony Gu
Dean Kaladelfos
Bosco Kwok
Michael Lansdown
Justin Lim
Marcus Low
Nathan Low

Steven Mak
Kelvin Man
Jonathan Sheahan
Michael Shoolman
Jordan Smith
Steven Su
William Tam
Michael Tjaja
Matthew Townsley
Steven Trinh
John Vallis
William Webb

**Daniel Yeung** 

## **Cross Country**

Kenrick Blaker Arden Burrell Charlie Dao Dimitri Davidov John Paul Demos Shane Drinkwater MatthewFaulkner **Kurt Forrester** William Griffiths John Hilberts Anthony Hough Ezra James Idris Kamara Ivan Kraljevic Vincent Lee Marcus Low Ivan Luburic Amir Mahmoud Joshua McKinnon Julian Muscat Scott Robertson Raymon Sedrak Michael Shoolman Shiv Sivakumar Paul Skyllas Alex So David Starkey Steven Su Subiq Tan John Vallis Alex Vasilovski

#### **Athletics**

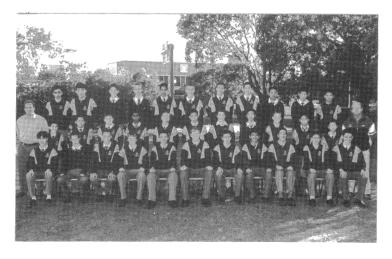
Nick Andrianakos David Burdon MichaelChea **Shane Drinkwater** Matthew Faulkner Ezra James Scott Jansen Idris Kamara Nick Kipriotis Ivan Kraljevic Byron Li Justin Lim Craig Mattern Adam Momi James Pearce Roman Pillay Greg Psarakis Scott Robertson Raymon Sedrak Shiv Sivakumar John Skola Paul Skyllas Alex Stamenkovic David Starkey Sidd Suresh-Babu Marcus Taylor Steve Trinh Charlie Tsang Minh Wang **Daniel Yeung** Steven Zographakis



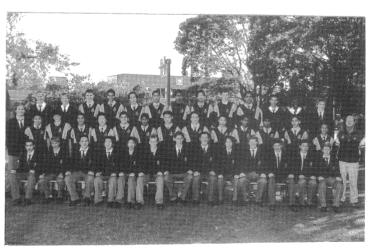


## **REGIONAL AGE CHAMPION:**

Raymon Sedrak - Cross Country



Junior Athletics Representatives



Senior Athletics Representatives

## **REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES**

The following boys were selected to represent the Sydney East Region at CHS Carnivals:

Athletics Nick Andrianakos David Burdon

Michael Chea
Idris Kamara
Nick Kipriotis
Justin Lim
Craig Mattern
Martin Mock
Roman Pillay
Raymon Sedrak
Shiv Sivakumar
David Starkey
Sidd Suresh-Babu
Marcus Taylor
Charlie Tsang

Swimming
Kenrick Blaker
Kurt Forrester
Nathan Low
Bosco Kwok
Dean Kaladelfos
Steven Su
William Tam
Justin Lim
Matthew Townsley
Jonathan Sheahan



Minh Wang Daniel Yeung

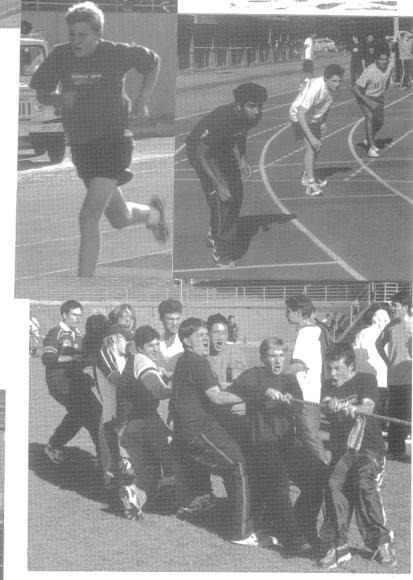
Ezra James Ivan Kraljevic Marcus Low Raymon Sedrak

Basketball Volleyball Hockey Touch Cricket Cricket Waleed Yousef Junda Khoo Peter Diakonikolis Daniel Shute Matthew Gilmour Matthew Faulkner Tom Sangster

## **CHS REPRESENTATIVE**

Steven Ma - Table Tennis

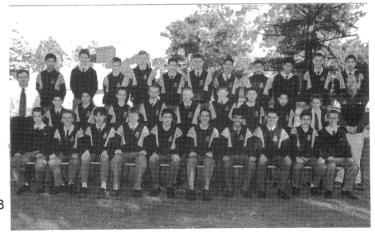




## WINNERS OF BEST AND FAIREST FOR GRADE TEAMS 2003

Soccer	1 <sup>st</sup> grade	James Pearce	Cricket	1 <sup>st</sup> grade maroon	Matthew Faulkner
	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade A 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade B	Graham Hinton Richard Nguyen		1 <sup>st</sup> grade blue 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	Scott McNaught Patrick Eades
	15A 15B1	Shiv Sivakumar Stefan Morvillo		maroon 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade blue 3 <sup>rd</sup> grade maroon	Raman Chen Matthew Gibson
	15B2 14A 14B	Tameem Abbas Landis Michaels Christian Ong		3 <sup>rd</sup> grade blue 13 maroon 13 blue	Luke Hamblen David Simmonds Hans Luo
	13A 13B1 13B2	Ivan Luburic Nicholas Hartigan Simon Wynn	Basketball	1 <sup>st</sup> grade 2 <sup>nd</sup> grade 15A	Waleed Yousef Nicholas Tan Ben Marks
Rugby League	Open	Brendan Smith Daniel Shute		15B	Ben Nguyen
Loayuo	13 years	Byron Li		14A 14B	Joe Lin Tim Low
Tennis	Open A1 Open A2	Jonathan Ng Vincent Lee		13A 13B	Niksa Stanisic Alex Stamenkovic
	Open B1 Open B2 15A 15B	Ivan Lau Kiran Lele Galen Lewis Archit Soni	Volleyball	Open A Open B Junior	Sunny Leung Krishneel Dutt Samuel Burtt
	15C 14A 14B	William Lam Aaron Naan Colin Lieu	Touch	Open A Junior	David Burdon Daniel Fernandes
	14C 13A	Vincent Teng Daniel Yeung Kelvin Man	Baseball	Junior	Kenrick Blaker
	13B 13C	George Issa	Squash	A B	Ben Clowes Julian Ngo
Softball	Junior A Junior B	Wayne Aguiar Francis Zhou	Table Tennis	A grade B grade	Jack Luo Gary Chan
Baseball	Senior	Mitchell Smart		C grade D grade	Des Ng Wesley Ong
Table Tennis	A1 B1 A2	Steven Ma Ronald Leung Daniel Tran	Mini Soccer	A B	Hany Georgy Christian Ong
	B2 C D	Richard Chung Ning Song Sam Giurgis	Water Polo	Senior A Junior	Michael Shoolman Dean Kaladelfos
Hockey	Open	Peter Diakonikolis			





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School Swimming Team

Junior Cross Country Representatives

## **SUMMER SPORT**

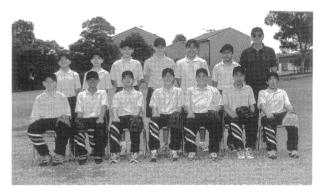
## **BASEBALL - 14 YEARS - PREMIERS**

This was a long season, but still a most enjoyable one. It was a transition period when many of the younger players in the team were put under some real pressure at times, and emerged as young men capable of soaking up stress and strain — and victorious. There were many gutsy displays, but the most wonderful thing about these Wednesday afternoons was the team consistently shone with regard to the rules of sportsmanship and gentlemanly behaviour. If we had lost either the semis or the finals, I would still have preferred to this as an outstanding and successful season. The fact that we won both was the icing on the cake! It's hard to really lose when you are being true to yourself.

I think I am going to miss seeing this squad on Wednesdays, as I've really enjoyed our times together.

Looking back, it is easy to see that large improvements in these skills have been made, due to enthusiasm, practice, intelligence and just plain having fun. Well done.

Mr P Edwards - coach



Front Row (L-R) T Keeley-Reid, W Lam, D Wong, K Blaker, A Woods, K Fung, B Kwok Back Row (L-R) P Kim, N Foong, Y Nakayama, A Momi, S Tan, J Ocsona, Mr Edwards

## BASKETBALL - 1ST GRADE

This year's first grade team displayed great commitment throughout the season attending early morning training sessions and exhibiting fine sportsmanship at all times.

The results of the team reflected this dedication with some easy wins in the Shell Cup knockout competition before being beaten in a tight match from eventual regional champions, Menai.

The team also performed consistently throughout the year in the zone competition winning all but one game in the preliminary rounds. Unfortunately our worst performance for the year came in the semi final against Blakehurst which eliminated us from the competition.

Mr P Werner - coach



Front Row (L-R) S Saha, W Youssef, F Lau, D Rohan, A Philip. Back row (L-R) A Zubic, S Landon-Jones, Z Bazzi, Mr Werner

## BASKETBALL - 2ND GRADE

After a slow start the open Bs found form late in the season winning several games in a row including the final. Led by Nick Tan and Peter Xing the boys played some great defence which frustrated several of the more fancied teams.

The boys played each game with great team spirit and were willing to listen and learn which made the season both a winning and memorable one.

Mr P Werner - coach



Front Row (L-R) N Vengurlekar, A Tran, T Reeks, P Myat, N Tan
Back Row (L-R) D Yang, Mr Werner, P Xing

## **BASKETBALL - 15A**

The 15A's basketball team were performing at their peak. Although due to an unlucky loss in the semi finals we didn't make the final, the whole team put in a solid performance all year, losing only three games in our four years of playing together. Whilst we suffered the loss of the team's star player, James Wang, to Newington, the rest of the team was able to recover from the loss and continued to perform with the addition of Kahsun to the team.

Each year the team has managed to make the finals and we have often won the competition. Sadly the 2003 team is the last year that we will all be together with many of the players moving into the opens team and others trying their hand at different sports. Congratulations for a good effort all year through.

Daniel Miller and Paul Madani



Front Row (L-R) B Byers, J Wang, D Miller Back Row (L-R) S Sahal, P Madani, P Lathourakis

## **BASKETBALL - 15B**

The 15B's team 2002 season was quite the roller-coaster ride. We began with quite a shaky start but eventually pulled ourselves together to be one of the strongest teams in the competition. After a term of winter sport the 15B's team came back a new rejuvenated team ready to play some ball!! During the off season, behind the scenes we had all been working hard to improve our game. We completely turned our game around. It wasn't just because of individual performance that our team improved so much longer. It was because we began working as a team more, playing tougher and tighter defence and having a more controlled offensive attack.

It was unlucky that we didn't make the finals but we gave it our best, which is the main thing. We were one win away from making it to the semi finals even though we had won most of our games in the second half of the season.

Ben Nguyen for Mr Diaz



Front Row (L-R) L Lee, S Karve, M Yuen, A Song, B Nguyen
Back Row (L-R) R Tan, K Kalutarage, J Scott
Absent – Mr Diaz

## **BASKETBALL - 14A**

A highly talented group, I was most impressed with their passing skills and great teamwork- often blindingly fast and always effective.

They practised constantly at lunchtimes and won 14 out of 17 games played, unfortunately going out in the finals to Blakehurst 22-40.

Special mention to Joe Jin (best and fairest), Simon Thuyen for his speed and energy and Charlie Tsang for his non-stop dynamism and intercepts.

Mr S Parrish - coach



Front Row (L-R) S Thuyen, K Lieu, B Karmakar, A Leung, O Samad Back Row (L-R) Mr Parrish, R Chow, J Jin, H Truong, P Jang

## **BASKETBALL - 14B - PREMIERS**

A fantastic season for this team. 15 wins out of 18 games played the final being against Kingsgrove for a 22-19 victory. Special mention to Tim Low (best and fairest), Ryan Chow for his speed and energy and Ning Song for his great intercepts and passing.

Mr S Parrish - coach



Front Row (L-R) W Webb, M Hiang, N Song, R Clarke, C Tsang Back Row (L-R) Mr Parrish, B Morrison, N Quan, H Huang, T Low.

## **BASKETBALL - 13A - PREMIERS**

We were through to the final!

As expected, Kingsgrove North won their semi so we had the big rematch. I think we were happy they got through to the final because we wanted to show them we could beat them. The game slowed down a lot and emotions were getting the most of some players. After an emotional start, we calmed down a bit and pushed our lead out even further. In the end, we wanted to win this one more than they did and our thoughts and emotions were portrayed perfectly on the court.

We won by about 20 points and we were extremely happy with our performance. We had proven to Kingsgrove North that we were better than them, but more importantly we had proven to ourselves how much we could achieve if we believed.

Special thanks go to: Mrs Haitidis who got our great form going even though she wasn't there to witness the middle of the season, Mr Coulston who stepped in as head coach for a while and did an excellent job and Mr Harding who taught us how to utilise the zone defence properly. This led to many easy wins.

Nick Stanisic -8S.



Front Row (L-R) N Galanopoulos, J Vu, N Stanisic, M Nguyen, C Liew Back Row (L-R) D Hong, A Tse, P Lay, O Quach

#### BASKETBALL - 13B - PREMIERS

In the beginning of the season we were not very constant in placing points on the ladder. At one stage we were losing every game. Alex joined our team and then we slowly started to regain confidence as we won a few games. Some of the senior boys (Oliver and David) taught us a very useful defensive trick, zone. Finally we were winning every game we played, and we just made it into the semis then the grand final. The 13B's match was against James Cook. To play the game was fun and frustrating at the same time because every two seconds the whistle was blown. The first half was the worst time for us as we were losing 6 to 2. The second half was a lot better as their team began to tire. In the second half we focussed on improving our 'zone' defence and in doing so they didn't get any shots in and we sank five baskets. The final score was 12-6 and we won the grand final.

Anthony El- Khoury.



Front Row (L-R) R Young, A El-Khouri, T Beckman, K Forrester, P Petrohilos
Back Row (L-R) D Hong, B Charles, A Gudas,
O Quach

# CRICKET – FIRST GRADE-MAROON-PREMIERS

With only one defeat (on the 2<sup>nd</sup> last ball) for our season, the first grade cricket were worthy premiers. They proved to have too much depth for the other schools and were little trouble throughout the year and more particularly in the semi final and final where they "trounced" the opposition. Highlights of the year included centuries to Matthew Faulkner and Matthew Gilmour (plus a 98), consistent batting by Brett Taylor along with his useful medium-pacers and the mixed bag of aggressive bowling by Matthew McLoughlin and Michael Georgeson.

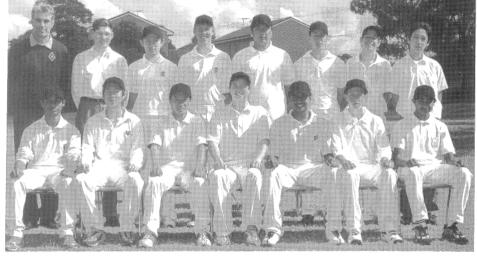
Valuable contributions were made by all other players and their general demeanour and sportsmanship made them a pleasure to be associated with.

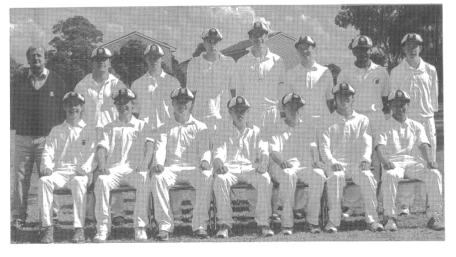
Mr T Trotman - coach

## CRICKET - 1st GRADE - BLUE

These fine young men were an additional STHS team in the first grade cricket competition. They vanquished several teams which were the sole representatives of their schools. They supplied several players to our top team. They greatly enjoyed their cricket, forcing their way into the semifinals. They were unlucky not to make the final, but they committed themselves to each other in admirable sportsmanship.

Mr P Ward - coach





Front Row (L-R) M Haque, T Lim, B Sjahalam, A Errington, P Thangarajah, S McNaught, P Surindrawarige Back Row (L-R) Mr Ward, M Whitty, J Wu, S Donohue, T Wang, S Sandal, J Hilberts, Y Huang

Front Row (L-R) J Hilberts, T Sangster, M McLoughlin, M Gilmour, M Faulkner, J Lim, B Sjahalam Back Row (L-R) Mr Trotman, G Andrianakos, T Thornborough, M Wilson, B Taylor, A Errington, P Thangarajah, S McNaught.

Absent: M Georgeson, J Edwards

## CRICKET - 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE BLUE

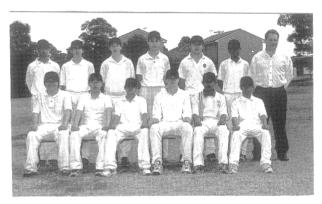
Of the two STHS teams in 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, ours was the youngest, which often meant we played teams a year older. This makes a big difference in terms of strike power.

This did not deter our team, and we had some commendable results against physically superior, but more poorly disciplined oppositions. What made these boys so enjoyable to coach was their attitude in general, such as their match attire, their match discipline, their sense of fair play, and their willingness to listen to and implement advice. Our school is very proud of them.

Credit must be given to all players for giving their best efforts, and especially their team camaraderie. Special mention to the team leaders Raman and Robert, who set the standard and encouraged others to follow.

We can look forward to continued improvement and success from this group next season.

Mr P Graham - coach

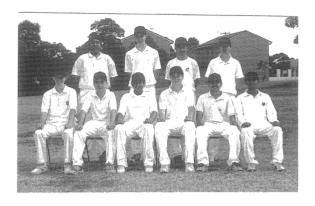


Front Row (L-R) R Chen, R Yao, V Ramakrishnan, R West, R Mamun, K Thambyrajah Back Row (L-R) G Sivaanandah, C Xenos, J Muscat, J Poh. J Lin, A Vemulpad. Mr Graham

## CRICKET - 2ND - MAROON

After being finalists in the previous two seasons we expected to do well this season. Mistake! The other schools improved, especially in the bowling department. We had trouble scoring competitive totals. Robert White was the mainstay of the batting while Stuart Fowler and Robert Beaven were the only batsmen to score fifty's. Our bowling was consistent with the wickets being shared around. The boys enjoyed the season and I hope they will return for another season.

Mr G Hempel - coach



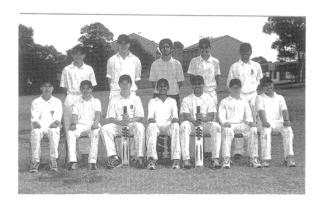
Front Row (L-R) R Beaven, R White, R Patel, P Eades, A Nadkarni, T Koshy Back Row (L-R) B Singh, S Fowler, P Mikhail, A So

## CRICKET - 3RD GRADE - BLUE

The first game was one to remember. We breezed past the top order, Ashwin taking five wickets and Luke Hamblen doing some serious run scoring. Our keeper was Ike Wu and excellent batting from Imran Haque.

Other bowlers were Sadaat Cheema, Tamman Abbas, Karthik Venkatesh and James Hong with his deadly full tosses. In the field Robert Lay, Daniel Quach and Archit Soni provided unique yet complementary fielding. Luke Camilleri kept the field alive with non stop talking. The team did well and made the semis. Player of the season was Luke Hamblen. The coach was Mr Derwent.

Ashwin Sree Kumar



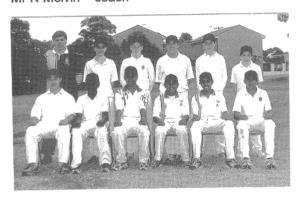
Front Row (L-R) D Quach, T Abbas, L Hamblen, A Sree Kumar, A Soni, R Lay, L Camilleri Back Row (L-R) I Wu, J Hong, S Cheema, K Venkatesh, I Haque

## CRICKET - 3RD GRADE - MAROON

After making the final in 2001 as the under 13's, the team were also looking good for a semi final berth for most of the long 2002-2003 season. Then came two disastrous losses in their last two games. The loss to the other Sydney Tech team, the Blues, was crucial as that meant Maroons and Blues finished level on the table and the Blues went into the semi finals using the 'countback' rule.

Opener/keeper Matthew Gibson was team player of the year. He scored 260 runs at 43. He was also involved in two century partnerships, with Amalesh Sukumar and Morgan Hunter respectively. The top order batting was the team's strength, while captain Deepak Challappa's leg spin (15 wickets at 12), Vignesh Sriram's pace and Shiv Sivakumar's fielding were the other highlights of a season that looked so promising initially.

Mr N Melvin - coach



Front Row (L-R) T Gu, A Sukumar, S Suresh Babu, D Chellappa, V Sriram, S Sivakumar Back Row (L-R) Mr Melvin, A Lilley, B Caines, A Wibawa, M Hunter, M Gibson

## CRICKET – 13A – MAROON PREMIERS

The Maroons went through undefeated and although challenged by STHS Blues and Canterbury A in the finals we were too consistent and always found someone to make runs or breakdown opposition partnerships. The side developed its skills in the field and showed signs of appreciating the value of teamwork. Mention should be made of the individual contributions of captain David Simmonds and Khusheev Singh with the bat, Steven Faulkner's steady bowling and the all round excellence of Adrian Lalchere. Aaron Ngan's fielding provided inspiration when things were not going our way. Congratulations on a very successful season.

Mr K Short - coach



Front Row (L-R) B Newsom, E Cooper, A Lalchere, D Simmonds, S Faulkner, A Mujala Back Row (L-R) Mr Short, K Singh, T Shepherd, S Cao. S Wahid

#### CRICKET - 13B - BLUE

Overall the team did well over the summer season, winning some good matches against strong competition. The most pleasing aspect was that the all round performance of the boys improved, particularly in both ground fielding and catching. We made the semi finals but came up against our nemesis, the STHS 13A Maroons team. It was a close contest, with the A's winning. Special mention must be made of consistent performers — Hans Luo and Shaun McCheane with both bat and ball, Cristiano Oliveria and Avinash Singh for batting (good opening stands) and Clay Muir for wicket keeping and batting. Also captain Craig Mattern for his leadership.

Congratulations to the A team, who went on to win the competition.

Mr E Landsberger - coach



Front Row (L-R) A Singh, C Oliveira, C Mattern, M Tjaja, C Muir, P Farrell Back Row (L-R) Mr Landsberger, S McCheane, H Luo, P Francis, A Wong, A Walgamage, N Chan

# MINI SOCCER - A GRADE - JOINT PREMIERS

The team, captained by Landis Michaels, had a very successful season, winning most of its games convincingly. In the final against Hurstville Boys, both sides put in an excellent performance and we were very evenly matched. The result was appropriately 1-1 and the teams were declared joint premiers. Congratulations on a great effort.

#### Mr B Reynolds - coach



Front Row (L-R) G Sclavios, L Michaels, H Georgy, J Chalouhi, V Teng
Back Row (L-R) U Chouster, M Antonelli, G Chin, J Song, Mr Reynolds

#### MINI SOCCER - B GRADE - PREMIERS

Damian Nikolic captained the team throughout the season and led it to many commendable victories. In the final against Kingsgrove High, the team played very skilfully to eventually win 2-0. Congratulations on a fine effort and great sportsmanship at all times.

## Mr B Reynolds



Front Row (L-R) S El-Sayed, C Ong, D Nikolic, J Vincent, D Stratford Back Row (L-R) T Gibson, L Bacon, H Au, L Dodds, Mr Reynolds

# SQUASH – SENIOR A AND JUNIOR A PREMIERS

Both teams enjoyed a very successful season, both finishing as premiers. All boys took on their refereeing responsibilities to the best of their abilities. All team members deserve to be congratulated on their teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the season, both of which were outstanding.

Mr Simmonds - coach



Front Row (L-R) E Ong, B Clowes, T Dinjar, R Doyle, J Watson Back Row (L-R) Mr Simmonds, B Ikin, A Vonthethoff, R Chen, D Shum

## **TABLE TENNIS - A GRADE**

Our A grade team with Jack Luo, Roy Yu, Ivan Wong, Zi Zhou and Jack Ma played exciting and clever table tennis throughout the season. The finals against James Cook involved heart stopping games where every player pushed himself to the limit. It was a privilege to be there. Congratulations to the whole team for their sportsmanship, enthusiasm and outstanding skills.

#### TABLE TENNIS - B GRADE - PREMIERS

Our B grade team with Gary Chan, Andy Chisholm, Sujie Huo, Michael Zhang and Daniel Lee had a more sedate path to the finals.

They had an exciting and convincing win and are to be congratulated on their teamwork and interest.

Ms B Engel - coach



Front Row (L-R) D Lee, M Zhang, R Yu Back Row (L-R) Ms Engel, S Ho, G Chan Absent- J Luo, J Ma, I Wong, Z Zhu, A Chisholm

#### TABLE TENNIS - C GRADE - PREMIERS

The team didn't lose a round and in fact only dropped a few games. They have shown enough talent to deservedly play in the A/B competition next season. A great effort from Des, Andrew, Jonathan and Simon to win the final 6-0.

## TABLE TENNIS - D GRADE - PREMIERS

The competition was a little less challenging than hoped for and had a few too many interruptions from wet days. Nevertheless STHS won the semis 6-0 against Canterbury and won the final 6-1 against James Cook. All players did well and should look forward to a tougher competition next season.

Mr G Hughes - coach



Front Row (L-R) D Ng, G Psarakis, S Wong, C Kim Back Row (L-R) Mr Hughes, P Pavlakis, A Szczepanski, J Sheahan, M Zhou, W Wong.

#### TOUCH - OPEN

An outstanding season of touch football was played by the team. The boys had a great chance of winning the premiership as they had defeated every team and lead the competition with the most points.

The team consisted mostly of Year 12's with the exception of Harry and William of Year 11. The strong mateship among the boys and frequent lunchtime touch football games were an excellent combination for a successful team.

Sure enough, the boys made it to the finals with Belmore and lead 4-2 for most of the game, until Belmore made another two tries to equalise the score. With only seconds to spare, the game looked like it would result in a draw but a lucky break from Belmore won them the game. Although we did not win the premiership, the team did extremely well to reach the finals. Thanks for a great season of touch football.

Mr N Stokes - coach



Front Row (L-R) S Kumar, H Westlake, A Micallef Back Row (L-R) D De Cruz, D Burdon, S Nuttall, Mr Stokes

#### TOUCH - JUNIOR B - PREMIERS

The team started the competition in strong fashion winning their first five games. However when we came up against Blakehurst we suffered our first defeat 2-1 in a hard fought game. At the time we felt that Blakehurst would be the team to beat and so they were when we met them in the final.

The final was a tough affair and victory was not sealed until thirty seconds from time when Rafi Ahmed completed his hat-trick.

All members of the team contributed to our victory and they are to be congratulated for the way they played throughout the season and, particularly, the sportsmanship they showed throughout the competition.

Mr M Bellamy - coach



Front Row (L-R) R Ahmed, B De Cruz, S Holt, J Yan, D Fernandes Back Row (L-R) B Ip, J Ng, I Chowdhury, P Wood, S Robertson, Mr Bellamy

## **VOLLEYBALL - OPEN B**

The team were runners up. They lost 1-2 in the final to a taller and more experienced side. As their coach I was very proud of the way they played in true sportsmanlike manner all through the season. All the members were true team players. All significantly improved their skills over the season due to determination, training and positive attitudes. Nearly all want to play again next season. A really good team, a really good season.

Mr Cranston - coach



Front Row (L-R) I Kamara, J Chen, K Dutt, A Le, J Cheung
Back Row (L-R) I Kraljevic, T Nguyen, T Teppa,
D Phan. A Vasilovski, Mr Cranston

## **VOLLEYBALL - 15'S - PREMIERS**

The 15 years volleyball team had a very successful and rewarding season. For a group of boys who had never played together as a team before, they were soon posing a real threat to many of the opposing, sometimes much bigger teams. The boys rapidly improved with each game and it was not long before they were winning matches, sometimes quite convincingly. The boys played extremely well throughout the finals and thoroughly deserved to be crowned champions after their successful win over Canterbury Boys in the grand final. The boys won in two sets but were pushed to their limits in both.

My congratulations go to each of the boys, who attitude and sportsmanship at all times was highly commendable and upheld the good name of Sydney Tech. A special mention to Samuel Burtt who was awarded the honour of Best and Fairest. They boys would applaud the other team for good rallies, serves and shots and would acknowledge their efforts whether they won or lost. Their dedication to training everyday and encouragement of each other is a real credit to them and they thoroughly deserve every success they achieved in the season.

Well done boys – you did yourselves proud!

Ms P Abson - coach



Front Row (L-R) A Choon, S Zentilomo, E Vonthethoff, K chow, D Qi Back Row (L-R) C Tzortzis, L White, F Lovely, S Burtt, Ms Abson

#### WATER POLO - SENIOR

Another season of water polo at Sutherland pool has been completed. Our senior boys acquitted themselves very well and showed marked improvement as the season progressed. The social competition games against Caringbah were very competitive and our boys scored a number of good wins against them.

The knockout matches were a highlight of this season. Round 1 was against Georges River College where we scored a convincing 13-2 win. Round 2 v Heathcote was a closer affair with Tech prevailing 5-4. The 3<sup>rd</sup> round against a former state champion school like Kirrawee was always going to be tough. Despite showing spirited resistance our boys went down convincingly.

I was very impressed and proud by our team's sportsmanship throughout the season and thank them for their efforts.

Mr M Sender - coach

#### WATER POLO - JUNIOR

The school's eighteen junior water polo players had an enjoyable season playing against boys and girls teams from Caringbah, Randwick Boys and Engadine. During the season we played twenty three games for seven wins and two draws. The best players during the season were Nick Andrianakos, Dean Kaladelfos, Steven Zographakis, Michael Lansdown and Nathan Low, although everyone always gave a 100% effort and always played the games in the right spirit. In the 15yrs CHS knockout we lost in round one to a strong Randwick team 10 to 4.

Mr G Palmer - coach



Front Row (L-R) P Xie, N Psomas, D Kaladelfos, N Andrianakos, J Bastow, M Lansdown, P Piamchaliaw Back Row (L-R) M Christie, R Pan, P Oscar, J Cooper, P Kidon, S Zographakis, A Hough, T Wheeler, D Otto, Mr Palmer.



Front Row (L-R) S Gurjar, P Diakonikolis, M Townsley, D Yee, A Haken, A Chung-Gon, B Kolodziej Back Row (L-R) P Skyllas, G Hinton, M Shoolman, M Taylor, T Quayle, J Pearce, D Starkey, Mr Sender

## WINTER SPORT

#### **BASEBALL - OPEN**

The highlight of the year was the great team effort in the zone final. Trailing 8-2 at the bottom of the second innings we kept Kingsgrove scoreless for the rest of the match and piled on eleven runs of our own. Everyone contributed with some great pitching, some brilliant fielding and ten of the team scoring home runs. We enjoyed a successful run in the state knockout, reaching the fourth round. The boys gained valuable experience and their extra confidence contributed to their consistent performances on Wednesday afternoons.

Mr M Hewett - coach



Front Row (L-R) S Wong, J Oka, M Smart, T O'Keefe, S Fowler, A Low Back Row (L-R) C Tsang, I Wu, S Cheema, B Piamchaliaw, J Lin, D Fernandes, Mr Hewett

#### HOCKEY

The open grade hockey team enjoyed a great year. Under the leadership of Peter Diakonikolis the students selected from Years 8-12 continued to get better and better meeting an experienced and undefeated Hurstville in the final to lose 2-1. Congratulations for an outstanding effort to all involved.

Mr B Mulholland - coach



Front Row (L-R) C Margetson, H Xiao, B Sjahalam, T Birkett, P Diakonikolis, D Simmonds, P Xie Back Row (L-R) J Grosvenor, L Bacon, S Koniki, J Xu, S Samji, Z Bin Kalam, T Koshy, A El Khouri

#### LAWN BOWLS

A band of brothers, Jeffrey Feng, David Kirkpatrick, Wen Chao Liu and I entered the league of champions. Our first match was against all odds as we faced opponents of exceptional deception and skills of their own: girls. We faced two waves from Moorefield and Port Jackson, losing our captain Wen Chao in the second. Jeffrey replaced him, ready to meet our school counterpart. St George. Needless to say we just thrashed them. A few weeks later we faced seasoned warriors but we turned the tide with a resounding win. Alas here ends our joys, we were just no match for the champion adversary, but we didn't return to Sydney Tech empty handed, bringing home two sets of speakers and the title that we shall proudly bear as the only Tech team to achieve the status of regional finalists in the game of lawn bowls.

## Eric Canbery Yr 11



(L-R) D Kirkpatick, E Canbery, W Liu, J Feng

#### **RUGBY LEAGUE - OPEN**

The boys played with great spirit and teamwork throughout the year and enjoyed a very competitive season. Although undersized we still managed to knock off some of our more fancied rivals including inflicting Canterbury's first loss for several years. We finished in fourth position which was an excellent result considering the experience of our team.

The team consisted of an enthusiastic group of mainly Year 12 students who showed great commitment in representing the school. The team was well led by Daniel at halfback and they left us with many memorable moments including Parker's love of the dirt at Heathcote, Brendan's fine display against our more fancied Catholic school opponents from Maroons and John's many tries from dummy half.

Mr Werner - coach



Front Row (L-R) B Smith, A Micallef, D Shute, D Burdon, O Quach, D De Cruz 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) Mr Werner, S Lo, S Kumar, A Merrick, H Salem Back Row (L-R) D Qi, S Holt, A Macaskill, Z Bazzi, A Haken, C Dean. Absent – M Taylor

## **RUGBY LEAGUE - 13 YEARS**

The season started off brilliantly for the under 13's, thrashing Hurstville, James Cook and Blakehurst to lead the competition. The team was definitely stronger in attack than defence and finished 4<sup>th</sup> earning a place in the semis.

We played Belmore in the semi-final and lost 36-8. We had beaten a weaker Belmore team the previous week and had some hope that we could do it again, but as minor premiers they proved too big and strong for us on the day.

This semi-final was the only time that Byron Li, our best and fairest player did **not** score a try. Byron scored an amazing twenty one tries for the year, including quadruples on four separate occasions – a tremendous feat. He wasn't the only player to do this, as our captain and best forward, Thomas Shepherd scored a hat-trick against Belmore and eleven tries for the year. Peter Petrohilos scored 13 tries including a hat-trick and four doubles. Other good players included Nick Zhu, John-Paul Demos, Derek Truong, Daniel Papps and Peter Francis, who showed courage as little blokes against, at times, HUGE opponents.

The St George Knockout Day was also a success as we beat James Cook and St Marouns before losing to Penshurst Marist. We again made the semis but lost to Hurstville. Overall, it was a successful season and well done to all boys who participated.

Mr N Melvin - coach



Front Row (L-R) W Kuok, A Mujala, T Shepherd, N Hallasso, P Francis, J Demos 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) N Zhu, H Avila, D Papps, E Quach, D Truong, A Rizk, Mr Melvin Back Row (L-R) P Petrohilos, J McKinnon, G McSullea, R Ayoubi, B Li, T Nguyen

## FIRST GRADE SOCCER - RUNNERS UP

A disappointing end to a fairly up-and-down season, saw our lads defeated 2-1 in the zone final, by Canterbury. Earlier in the year we had bowed out of the Commonwealth Bank Cup with a loss to Port Hacking High by a golden goal in extra time. The difference between these two games was marked – in the former we were not the better team and did not play well, but in the latter we were clearly unlucky to be beaten by a technically and skilfully inferior team. Nonetheless a loss is a loss, and we can only learn by these; what we should have learnt is that we already know how to play

good soccer, but must add a new dimension to our game, one commonly called aggression, or "grunt" if you like. This will not require anything more than a year's experience, and I look forward to the majority of this team being successful first graders in 2004.

Mr Trotman - coach



Front Row (L-R) M Faulkner, N Andrianakos, P Skyllas, M Shoolman, A Mew, S Sandal 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) D Starkey, Z Dean, J Pearce, A Vasilovski, G Andrianakos, A So, Mr Trotman Back Row (L-R) B Scicluna, D Kaladelfos, I Kraljevic, J Lim, M McLoughlin, S McNaught, W Griffiths.

## SOCCER - 2ND GRADE - A

The highlight of the season was winning the last two games. The win against Peakhurst showed that if we had been more consistent earlier in the season we would have made the semi-finals. It was only in these two games that the teamwork really came together, with some of the first time players showing good improvement both in skills and teamwork. Hopefully most players will return next year.

Mr G Hempel - coach



Front Row (L-R) J Cha, M Gilmour, N Kipriotis, T Sangster, B Cheong Back Row (L-R) B Dixon, T Quayle, Mr Hempel, G Hinton, J Khoo

## SOCCER 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE - B

Although the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade team did not win a game during the season they never gave up and played every game with enthusiasm and determination. The team should also be congratulated on the fact that each week the team organisation was done by the players themselves and was done in a mature and responsible manner. Statistics for the season show the team scored ten goals and conceded forty six. Best player of the season was Richard Nguyen, most improved player was Daniel Miller who had never played soccer before this season.

Mr G Palmer - coach



Front Row (L-R) I Tohidi-Esfahani, D Miller, R Nguyen, J Chen, C Zhang 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) H Chiem, R White, J Kwok, P Darnakis, Mr Palmer Back Row (L-R) C Xenos, R Clark, P Kidon, K Kalutarage, K Venkatesh

#### SOCCER - 15A

The season began with much promise with two draws against Hurstville and James Cook. Unfortunately our finishing let us down in many subsequent games preventing us from achieving deserved results.

The boys always conducted themselves with impeccable sportsmanship and will certainly improve their results next year. Well done.

#### Mr M Sender - coach



Front Row (L-R) S Tan, A Stamenkovic, C Tzortzis, M Gibson, P Pavlakis 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) C Dao, B Morrison, S Baturan, H Huang, Mr Sender Back Row (L-R) Y Lee, O Samad, S Janssen, M Hunter. S Sivakumar

## SOCCER -15B1

These fine young men received many accolades for their efforts and they deserved them all. They strove hard for each others sake, playing clean and attractive football.

Their semi final win was a high scoring, see-sawing contest. In the grand final, they went down in extra time but they had already covered themselves in glory. It was a pleasure for me to be associated with them all.

Mr P Ward - coach



Front Row (L-R) D Quach, N Low, S Morvillo, R Lay, E Yuen, J Le, M Yusuf Back Row (L-R) Mr Ward, B Caines, D Miscovic, J Poh, E James, A Szczepanski, K Blaker

#### SOCCER - 15B2

The 15B2 team was made up of a number of Yr 9 and 10 players. The season did not begin well for them as they faced teams which were generally more experienced. However the Sydney Tech team put in a concerted effort throughout the season and managed to narrow the gap between them and the more experienced opposing sides.

There were some good individual performances particularly in attack, and teamwork improved towards the end of the season. Although this side did not win any matches, they were always keen and ready to put up a good fight. With more time playing as a team, more training and individual experience, this team should develop into a winning side. Their tenacity and overall enthusiasm for the game demonstrate their sportsmanship.

Many thanks to all the boys for their cooperation during the season.

Mr Diaz - coach



Front row (L-R) L Liu, S Hamid, G Sivaanandah, T Abbas, B Charles, D Han Back Row (L-R) Mr Diaz, B Wang, C Pho, N Tran, T Dinjar, K Shing, E Yee Absent- A Sukumar, I Haque, G Khan

#### SOCCER - 14A - PREMIERS

Congratulations to the team for a most enthusiastic and successful season. It isn't many teams who are able to complete a season without losing a single match! Well done gentleman— I have felt very comfortable (and sometimes even a little proud) to share Wednesday afternoons with you. Well done!

It will be difficult to have another year as fortunate as this one but it will be interesting to try again next year, especially as the opportunity of competing in the Turner Cup looms, so keep fit and learn as much as you can until then.

Mr P Edwards - coach



Front Row (L-R) N Stanisic, S Robertson, J Chalouhi, L Michaels, R Sedrak 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) D Davidov, M Antonelli, S Faulkner, P Kim, Mr Edwards Back Row (L-R) G Sclavos, M Tjaja, A Momi, M Nguyen, C Oliveira

## SOCCER - 14B

The 14B soccer team had an outstanding season of grade sport this winter, finishing up minor premiers in their division as well as making it through to the finals. The team only had one loss to Hurstville in the entire season which is a great achievement in a very close competition.

The seventeen players in the side all played a vital role in the successful wins each week. Justin Vincent and Hans Luo always kept the backs defending well and plenty of skill was shown by our midfielders comprising of John Vu, Boris Cheung, Kenny Xu, Joshua Song and Damian Nikolic each week. The highest goal scorers were Edwin Cooper, Uri Chouster and Christian Ong who were our main strikers up front. Special mention goes to the goalkeeper Josip Devcic who made some fabulous saves throughout the year and all the other players who were in the team.

Congratulations boys on a fantastic season of soccer!

#### Mr N Stokes - Coach



Front Row (L-R) U Chouster, A Waters, C Ong, J Devcic, J Vincent, D Nikolic 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) H Au, M Nguyen, H Luo, S Cao, B Cheung Back Row (L-R) K Xu, E cooper, J Vu, J Song, M Lee, K Ibrahim

## SOCCER - 14B1

The boys were involved in a very tough competition. Although there were very few successes in the season they did display a quality level of soccer skills.

All the team members deserve to be congratulated on their teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the season, both of which were outstanding.

#### Mr J Simmonds - coach



Front Row (L-R) N Hartigan, U Kalugalage, J Carolin, H Georgy, A Siva 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) C Lee, Q Li, R Allotta, Y Cao Back Row (L-R) S Gindy, J Peacock, A Jegatheeswaran, B Chang

#### SOCCER - 13A

After a very slow start to the season the boys developed a real sense of team during a long string of byes, forfeits and wet weeks.

The team from this point on started to really improve beating quality opponents who had previously out played them. Towards the end of the season they were tied on points with three other teams for fourth place but managed to make the semis. This was a hard fought game with the boys going down by 1-0.

Well done boys, look forward to next year.

Mr G Cooper - coach



Front Row (L-R) J Vallis, S Drinkwater, A Charlton, I Luburic, T Da Silva 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) B Joseph, D Prodromov, T Lay, J Khan Back Row(L-R)B Yeong, B Kam, N Grasevski, A Burrell, R D'Angelo

## SOCCER - 13 B2'S

A team of fourteen boys all from Year 7, surprised the form analysts by making the semi finals of the B grade soccer competition. During the season the team recorded five wins, two draws and four losses. One of their best performances was a shock away victory over Canterbury Boys. In their semi final against the competition leaders Blakehurst 1's, the team played the game of their life. They led 1-0 early, were down 2-1, before levelling the scores late in the second half. A goal to Blakehurst in the final minutes ended their season. The boys can be proud of their efforts and the manner in which they have represented their school.

Mr T Hayes - coach



Front Row (L-R) W Rusbatch, S Wynn, R Pillay, M Low, K Fong, A Challa
Back Row (I-R) Mr Hayes, S Ho, M Fripp, E Yuen, N Shariful, D Tran, A Mahmoud

## **SOFTBALL - JUNIOR A - PREMIERS**

From their humble beginnings, the team grew in stature as the season progressed, culminating in a hard fought finals victory, in which the character of the team was tested throughout.

The batting of Chetan, the pitching of Wayne, the guidance of Andrew and the improvement of Ben, Michael and Shermann, the catches of David, Yuto, Adley, James, Jai Lin and Mohammed, and even the base stealing of Lionel made this season one to remember.

Mr P Graham - coach



Front Row (L-R) A Woods, W Aguiar, B Newsom, M Iqbal, A Yuen 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) Mr Graham, D Law, J Luo, L Puang, J Oscona
Back Row (L to R) M Chang, C Koniki, S Lam, Y Nakayama

#### SOFTBALL - JUNIOR B

This team developed their individual and team skills and displayed excellent sportsmanship throughout the season. Although they had only a few wins they were quite competitive at the end and I'm sure a number of them will form the basis of successful sides in years to come. Thank you to Elisha, Edwin and Francis Zhou for providing good leadership on the field.

Mr K Short - coach



Front Row (L-R) M Jones, J Smith, C Miller, E Edwin, E Yeung, A Ong, B Jones Back Row (L-R) P Mulheron, A Parkinson, A Liong, F Zhou, J Lim, B Jones.

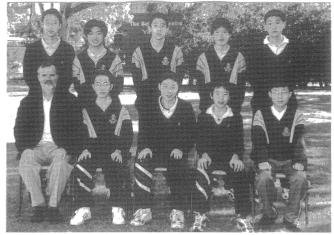
#### **TABLE TENNIS - A1**

The team headed the competition coming into the final round but were beaten by Kingsgrove North. After defeating Hurstville (or should I say Georges River College) in the semi the team met KNHS again. Some skilled and exciting play was evident as Steven Ma played in the No1 singles match. The final result was 4-2 against the Tech players, all of whom played with intensity and passion throughout the comp.

#### TABLE TENNIS - B1- PREMIERS

The team kept on improving during the competition and in the semi against the B2 team it was brother against brother and mate against mate. In the final they quickly disposed of James Cook to be worthy competition winners. Well done!

Mr Hughes - coach



Front Row (L-R) Mr Hughes, Z Zhu, S Mak, C Chan, J Yu Back Row (L-R) j Xu, T Tran, D Phan, R Leung, W Shi

## **TABLE TENNIS – A2**

The members of this team, Chris Lau, Thi Nguyen, Daniel Tran, Jason Vuong and Paul Dinh have tried hard during a long season. They have improved throughout the year with their highlight being a 4-3 victory over the A team in the final round.

The team ended the season with a 5-7 win/loss ratio and they are to be congratulated for their sportsmanship and humour throughout the year.

#### **TABLE TENNIS – B2**

This team performed very well throughout the season, qualifying for the semi-finals with a win over the B1's in the final round. The members of the team, Kevin Shang, Edmond Tse, Thomas Xu, Keith Tang and Richard Chung were well turned out and very sporting throughout the year.

Although they were beaten by the B1's in the semifinal, there was not much between the two teams with the first round match going to the final game. Boys you should be very proud of your effort.

Mr M Bellamy – coach



Front Row (L-R) P Dinh, T Nguyen, C Lau, J Vuong, D Tran Back Row (L-R) Mr Bellamy, E Tse, K Tang, T Xu, R Chung, K Shang

# TABLE TENNIS – C GRADE PREMIERS

The team, consisting of Patrick Fong, Andrew Iskander, Jason Ko, Brian Lo and Ning Song, had a very successful season, losing only twice during the competition rounds, both times to Peakhurst. Having defeated Blakehurst in the semi-final, they then came up against Peakhurst again in the final. The whole team put in a tremendous effort and defeated their opponents 5-2. Congratulations on an outstanding result and for great sportsmanship and dedication throughout the season.

#### TABLE TENNIS - D GRADE

The team, consisting of Dominic Cheung, Sam Chung, Timothy Duong, Samuel Guirguis and Ken Woon, also had a successful season, losing only one game to Blakehurst. They defeated Peakhurst convincingly in the semi-final and again met Blakehurst in the final. In spite of a great all-round effort by our team, Blakehurst played better on the day and won 5-2. All the boys are to be congratulated for their excellent effort and sportsmanship.

Mr B Reynolds - coach



Front Row (L-R) B Lo, A Iskander, N Song, P Fong, J Ko
Back Row (L-R) Mr Reynolds, S Chung, K Woon,
T Duong, S Guirguis, D Cheung.

## **TENNIS - A1- PREMIERS**

Congratulations to the team on winning the premiership in a close fought final. Oatley had previously defeated us in the second round and so we knew a big effort was needed.

Jonathan Wu of Yr 12 rose to the occasion playing a strategic role as No 1 seed and taking eight valuable points in the game. Des Ng, Julian Ngo

and Jonathan Ng all won their sets to cement the victory.

The boys were helped along the way by Brian Ip and are to be congratulated for their sportsmanship and cooperation throughout the season.

Mr D Butcher - coach

## TENNIS - B1 - PREMIERS

The B1 team led by Ivan Lau and ably supported by Keerthi Iyengar, Jonathan Ng, Stephen Mak and Michael Cassidy won a very close fought final against Canterbury.

Our opponents tried the tactic of reversing their seedings hoping to win both doubles and at least two of the singles. In fact they nearly succeeded with the sets drawn 3 all.

We won on a points countback – every boy contributing to the win.

It has been a pleasure to support such a fine group of good sports and good players.

Mr D Butcher - coach



Front row (L-R) J Ng, J Wu, J Ngo, D Ng, B Ip Back Row (L-R) Mr Butcher, S Ma, M Cassidy, J Ng, I Lau

#### TENNIS - A2

The A2 tennis team is to be commended for their efforts throughout the season. Their form in the regular season was outstanding. Unfortunately, though, they were knocked out in the final.

Mr C Raptis - coach

#### TENNIS - B2

I would like to thank the B2 tennis team for their admirable efforts during the season. All boys played to their ability in what was a very competitive competition.

Mr C Raptis - coach



Front Row (L-R) T Kwong, H So, V Lee, A Nadkarni, B Lau Back Row (L-R) Mr Raptis, C Lai, K Lele, A Tran, D Wong, P Bui Mai

#### **TENNIS - 15A - PREMIERS**

The 15A's were the strongest team in the competition throughout the year and were the winning team in the final. They played a most determined team in the finals – the 15B's also from STHS who gave them quite a fight right to the end. The standard of tennis was at a high level and the result could have gone either way. Well done to both teams and congratulations to the season premiers: Deepak Chellappa, Joshua Kwong, Galen Lewis, Jesse Lu, Long Quach and Derek Wong.

Congratulations to the player of the year – Galen Lewis who displayed excellent consistency and improving standard throughout the season.

## TENNIS - 14A

The following boys: Roge Kuo, Aaron Ngan, Julian Seno, William Tang, George Varettas and Thomas Wu are to be congratulated on their fine achievements. This team were also minor premiers but in a very close fought match were beaten in the final by a strong team from Kingsgrove High. It is most pleasing to see these students play in good spirit and with such excellent sportsmanship. Congratulations to the player of the year Aaron Ngan who always went on court with a strong determination to achieve with each point of the match.

#### **TENNIS - 13A - PREMIERS**

This team was excellent throughout the year playing with determination and excellent sportsmanship. They were undefeated through the whole competition and won the final playing against Hurstville Boys. This wan an excellent match where each player fought hard for every point and without doubt provided the best tennis of the year. The player of the year was Daniel Yeung who set a tremendous example for his team. The boys should feel proud of their achievement playing grade tennis. An excellent season and congratulations to the players: Jacky Chan, Liem Dang, Andrew Lai, Kevin Ng, Chris Stebbings and Daniel Yeung.

Mr D Towner - coach



Front Row (L-R) J Lu, D Chellappa, J Kwong, L Quach, G Lewis, D Wong 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) C Stebbings, A Lai, R Kuo, J Chan, D Yeung, L Dang.

## TENNIS - 15B

A very capable and consistent team who managed to win all their games during the season, except for one draw. They also won the semi finals against Kingsgrove, a strong team. Unfortunately the 15'Bs lost the final against Sydney Tech 15A's. The result was close, 7-5 and could have gone either way. Well done boys on making the finals.

## TENNIS - 14B

A well organised and keen group of students made up the 14B's tennis team. They played consistently all season with seven wins, three losses and one draw. They made it into the semi finals but unfortunately were beaten by the Sydney Tech 14A team 9-3. Well played boys.

## TENNIS - 13B

The 13B's were a strong team consisting mainly of Yr 7 students and one Yr 8 student. During the season they won eight, lost two and drew two games. They were beaten by Hurstville in the semifinals 4-8. thanks to Joshua Hill for his excellent umpiring during the season.

Mrs J Kelso - coach



#### 13B, 14B, 15B Tennis

Front Row (L-R)R Chai, B Law, J Fan, T Low, A Soni, S Suresh-Babu 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) Ms Kelso, D Moules, S Honeine, Y Chan, N Foong, B Kwok, C Lieu Back Row (L-R) K Man, J Hill, S Gupta, J Dhingra, Y Park, J Lim. Absent – D Kwak

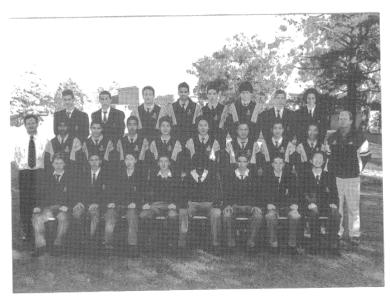
## **TENNIS 13C, 14C, 15C**

The three teams are to be commended on a very worthwhile season. The boys have shown themselves to be enthusiastic and sportsman-like at all times. Valuable experience was gained and each boy has shown pleasing improvement in his game.

Ms M Berios - coach



Front Row (L-R) K Lubarsky, C Bell, N Nguyen, K Wong, W Lam, M Rose 2<sup>nd</sup> Row (L-R) J Chong, T Gibson, G Issa, A Kumar, S Heath, J Vo Back Row (L-R) K Fung, A Wong, J Lee, C Mattern, V Teng, J Li.



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Regional Representatives

## **TECH FAMILY TRADITIONS**

## YEAR 12

K Dickson  K Greenwood T Reeks A Vonthethoff A Phillips	B Dickson D Dickson F Emms W Greenwood G Reeks M Wilmot W Phillips	1969-74 1941-42 1926-? 1970-75 1968-73 1929-30 1955-59	G/Father G/Father
	YEAR 11		
J Pearce M Riley J Young M Barker S Nelson	G Pearce M Riley R Young J Barker S Nelson N Nelson	1971-76 1970-75 1963-68 1943-45 1968-73 1942-44 1969-74	G/Father
M Shoolman J Skola	M Shoolman H Shoolman D Skola	1969-74 1945 1969-72	G/Father
	YEAR 10		
M Cassidy D Kaladelfos B Ürwin K Vincent E Vonthethoff	C Cassidy J Powell W Urwin E Vincent M Wilmot	1969-74 1940 1976-81 1937-41 1929-30	G/Father G/Father G/Father
M Nelson	YEAR 9 S Nelson	1968-73	
101 14619011	N Nelson	1942-44	G/Father
	YEAR 8		
K Forrester P Francis	A Crombie J Francis	1945-47 1962-67	G/Father
J Vincent R Young E Cooper	E Vincent I Young R Cooper	1937-41 1977-82 1973-78	G/Father
	YEAR 7		
S Wynn	G Wynn	1972-77	

