SYDNEY TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

2004 has been a terrific year for the school. Success has been enjoyed by groups of students and teachers, as well as wonderful individual achievements. Our HSC results were among the best of the past decade with twelve students winning Premier's Awards for All-round Excellence. Nine students were also awarded scholarships for their tertiary studies at UNSW, University of Sydney and the University of Technology.

The school has remained at the forefront of education for gifted and talented students. The Interdisciplinary Project, now in its fifth year, is recognised as an exemplar in enrichment and extension for gifted students. Selected for publication in support materials of the Department of Education and Training's revised Policy for Gifted and Talented Students, the Interdisciplinary Project is recognised for the higher order skills it develops in students. Other projects offered as part of the school's curriculum such as the Year 9 Autonomous Project, single subject acceleration (in subjects such as Studies of Religion, Engineering Studies, Design and Technology, Information Processes and Technology, Modern History and Mathematics) ensure that our gifted and talented students are challenged and motivated. Peter Heath, Head Teacher History and GAT coordinator has led the significant shifts in pedagogy at the school and is recognised as a leader in this field.

Other initiatives for students in 2004 have been a talented musician camp (supported by Music Support Group and teachers), debate coaching and UTS on-line debating.

There have been some outstanding individual performances in 2004. These include Simon Chiu (Year 11) who represented Australia at Intel International Science and Engineering Fair held in the USA, winning the bronze medal in the chemistry competition for his outstanding research, Nick Andrianakos (U16 national shotput champion and second in U18), Nick Kipriotis (3rd in national U20 and U18 shotput), prize winners in UNSW Sustainable Living Competition and Andrew Vonthethoff of Year 12 2003 who was awarded one of the prestigious Federal Government Australian Student Prizes.

My thanks to staff for their support and nurturing of your sons. Many staff spend many hours outside of school time to ensure that the boys are coached, encouraged and supported. We often speak at Tech about the "ways we do things around here", the actions, words and feelings that make Tech such a special place. School spirit and a positive culture are what sets Tech apart. Winning is not the be-all and end all, the important thing is to take part, to represent the school, to take risks and do your best. It's the relationships that exist between students and with the staff and the students, the mateship, the camaraderie, the respect, the sense of justice. This is why Sydney Tech is a great school.

At the start of the year I did not expect to be away from the school for almost two terms. Greg McNaught and Sam Dando have done a fantastic job as Principals while I was relieving as School Education Director, St George Area and then on long service leave. Thanks also to Paul Owens, Jo Wright, Peter Heath, Trevor Trotman, Tina Blake and Kevin Short who also relieved in higher positions and ensured that the good work of the school continued.

Thanks to parents, especially those who support the school through their good work as members of the P & C Association, the canteen volunteers, Music Support Group, Debating Support Group, and the uniform shop.

Lynne Irvine Principal

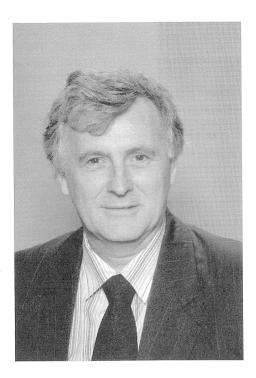
Kwan Hee Lee (1998) who has had continued success at university and is currently studying at Oxford



THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS' MESSAGES

It is always interesting to gauge reactions of people when they find out your profession and where you work. "Oh, so you're a teacher!" is a response that can be read in many ways. For some people teaching is a profession for which they have great respect because they could never see themselves doing the job that teachers do. For some others teaching is a profession they dislike because they didn't succeed or have a good time at school themselves and haven't moved very far forwards in their adult lives. Education is something that everyone seems to feel they know something about and often claim to be an expert in. After all, everyone went to school and everyone has school stories to tell. "I remember when I was at school we had to ..." or "we had this crazy bloke who...."

The response to my admission that I teach at Sydney Tech High is always tempered by hearing the name of "Sydney Tech" as the location. Ah, Sydney Tech. A moment of recognition, of reflection, of respect, of reverence perhaps. In southern Sydney the name is a well-known centre of academic excellence over many decades. Some people need an explanation about the concept of an academically selective high school, particularly if they come from out of Sydney or interstate or overseas, and then they marvel that here it's only for boys, and 925 of them.



I am amazed that so many have not only heard of the high achievements of Tech High students, but that they know it as a school that cares and has a good welfare policy. People do know that we do a lot more than focus on the mark at the end – it's the whole person that is the basis of education here. And I don't tell them that first. They already know from other parents, students, ex-students, family, primary schools and businesses. Many students in each year twelve group return in following years to tell us how great this school is and are grateful for the experience of coming to this hallowed institution.

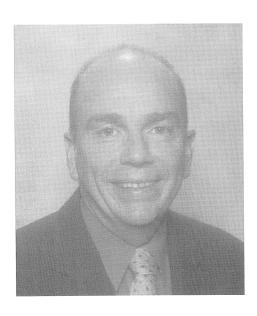
Our reputation has gone before us and continues to be held high.

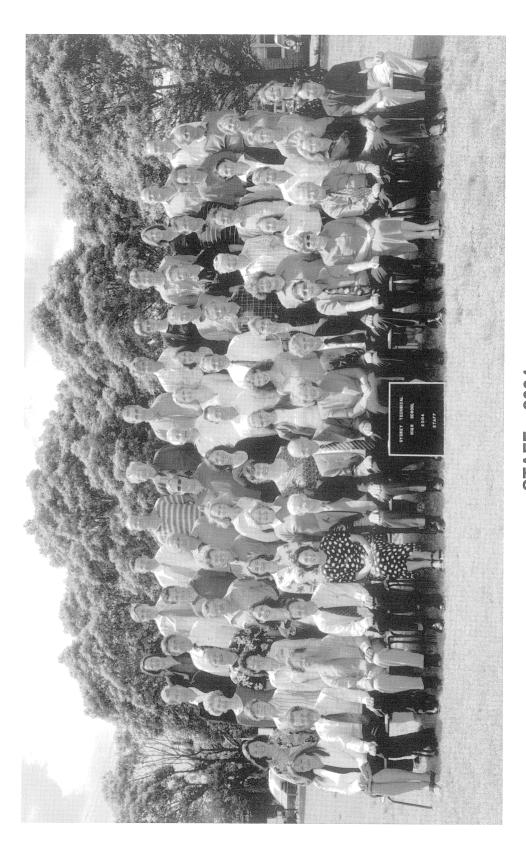
Sam Dando Deputy Principal

This year we have consolidated a number of programs. Electronic reporting was introduced for the whole junior school and was met with universal enthusiasm from the teaching staff and students and parents. Staff teams have continued to work on improvements to programs around the school. The links team introduced a very successful program involving year 5 from Hurstville Public School. The sport team has worked throughout the year evaluating and refining the sport program. These examples plus many more have come about as a result of the collaborative efforts of the staff.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for their efforts and hard work throughout the year.

Greg McNaught Deputy Principal





STAFF - 2004

Front Row:

2nd Row: 3rd Row:

D Demetriadis, P Heath, M Riley, P Owens, J Davis, G McLean, G McNaught (Deputy Principal), L Irvine (Principal), S Dando (Deputy Principal), N Roper, V Manners, G Thickett, J Wright, L Zietsch.

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K Saadeh.

D Butcher, D Towner, M Hewett, J Diaz, R Huntington, K Short, P Abson, J Hope, P. Edwards, G Cooper, S Parrish, A Gowan, E Landsberger.

L Cristofoletti, N Melvin, M Bellamy, M Sender, B Cranston, P Ward, G Palmer, A Golledge, N Stokes, J Kelso, A Albert, P Werner.

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STAFF 2004

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J Simmonds Dip. Teach (IA)

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S Blomfield

S Collins I Farrell

C Gallagher

J Hope

S Lepherd

G Pearce

S Porter

M Reilly J.P

C Ross

R Huntington

CANTEEN

I Shute

J Tran

YEAR ADVISERS

Year 7 - P Graham

Year 8 – T Blake

Year 10 - P Abson

Year 11 – P Werner

Year 9 - N Stokes

Year 12 - B Derwent

SPECIAL PRIZES FOR 2003

Turner Prize Wykeham Prize

Caltex Best All Rounder Award for 2003 Reuben F Scarf Award for Commitment Principal's Prize for Senior Leadership Principal's Prize for Junior Leadership Deputy Principals' Prize for Contribution to

School Life (Senior)

Deputy Principals' Prize for Contribution to

School Life (Junior)

Rockdale Mayoral Senior Prize Rockdale Mayoral Junior Prize

Interact Prize

Public Speaking Champion Senior Public Speaking Champion Year 10 Public Speaking Champion Year 9 Public Speaking Champion Year 8 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 Biology RACI Chemistry Quiz Plaque

Science Research Medallion for Year 10

Ajay Philip Justin Penafiel Peter Diakonikolis

Edwin Ho

Andrew Errington Imteaz Ahamed James Myint Jonathan Wu

Robert West Andrew Vonthethoff

Peter Xie
Justin Lim
James Myint
Imteaz Ahamed
Morgan Gardiner
Luke Bacon

Anosh Sivashanmugarajah

Thomas Sangster
Jonathan Sheahan
Tomislav Cuk

David De Cruz John Skola Rico Lee Kim Zhou

Simon Chiu, Dean Kaladelfos

ACADEMIC PRIZES FOR 2003

YEAR 12

H Brown Prize for Dux of School

2nd in Year 12 3rd in Year 12

Roy Stanhope University Scholarship George Keys Prize for English Extension 2

English Extension 1 Prize
English 2 Unit Advanced Prize
English 2 Unit Standard Prize
Norman Marks Prize for Chemistry
William Pillans Prize for Biology
Stanhope Prize for Physics

Visual Arts Prize Music 2 Unit Prize

OBU Prize for Mathematics Ext 2 Mathematics Extension 1 Prize Mathematics 2 Unit Prize

George Keys Prize for Modern History

Ancient History Prize
Extension History Prize
Engineering Studies Prize
Design and Technology Prize

Software Design and Development Prize Information Processes and Technology Prize

Information Technology Prize

Jin Feng Zhou Peter Myat Tommy Lim Peter Phung

Jin Feng Zhou/Stephen Wong

Benjamin Lau

Sam Fanous/Tommy Lim

Yorgi Mavros Peter Phung Jiao Chen Jin Feng Zhou Matthew Burness Aaron Waters Carl Ang

Joey Fung/Aaron Waters

Sam Fanous
Sam Fanous
Naimal Khaled
Sam Fanous
Andrew Vonthethoff
Eric Connerton
Eugene Lubarsky
Jackson Chew
Daniel Wang

YEAR 12 Continued

Rupert Markham Prize for German Continuers

Japanese Continuers Prize Japanese Extension Prize Cyril Lake Prize for Economics OBU Prize for Geography Business Studies Prize

Owen Hodge Lawyers Prize for Legal Studies Leo McKern Memorial Senior Drama Prize

Studies of Religion Prize

Maxwell Howell Prize for Senior PD/H/PE

Hassan Salem
Matthew Townsley
Matthew Townlsey
Jin Feng Zhou
Peter Diakonikolis

Warren Ang/Benjamin Lau

Warren Ang Nitin Vengurlekar James Pearce Michael Georgeson

School Medallion: George Andrianakos, Carl Ang, David Burdon, Matthew Chen, Jiao Chen, David De Cruz, Peter Diakonikolis, Andrew Errington, John Hilberts, Edwin Ho, Steven Janssen.

Kenji Kamoshida, Benjamin Lau, Justin Lim, Tommy Lim, Rico Lee, James Myint, Matthew Popplewell, Peter Phung, Tom Reeks, Prasad Surindrawarige, Hassan Salem, Paran Thangarajah, Nicholas Tan, Matthew Townsley, Aaron Waters, Jonathan Wu

YEAR 11

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

English Extension Prize Chemistry Prize Physics Prize Biology Prize

Mathematics Extension 1 Prize Mathematics 2 Unit Prize

Geography Prize Economics Prize Business Studies Prize

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

Development/Health/PE

Kwan Hee Lee Prize for Engineering Studies

French Continuers Prize French Beginners Prize Japanese Continuers Prize

Visual Arts Prize Music Prize

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

Information Technology Prize Design & Technology Prize

Information Processes & Technology Prize

Photography Prize Psychology Prize Michael West Michael West

Anthony Rush/Michael West

Michael West Michael West Des Ng/James Tang David Phan

David Starkey Kiran Lele

Nicholas Kipriotis/Paul Tsui

Nicholas Kipriotis Nicholas Kipriotis Michael West

James Pearce Daniel Fernandes

Sam To
David Chau
Tetsuro Hunter
Jeffrey Feng
Ho Pan So
Raj Patel
Sandeep Koniki
Khoa Nguyen
Nick Andrianakos

Andrew Lilley
Andrew Kwok/Scott McNaught

Jason Vuong

School Medallion: Eric Canbery, Nicholas Kipriotis, Scott McNaught, Thomas O'Keefe, James Pearce, Anthony Rush, Tom Sangster, Adrian Taylor, Jesse Young, Roy Yu.

YEAR 10

University of Sydney Prize for Academic

Achievement and Dux of Year 10

UTS Sydney Faculty of Engineering Prize

Japanese Prize French Prize German Prize

Visual Arts Prize
Drama Prize
Music Prize

PD/Health/PE Prize Human Movement Prize

J W Farley Prize for English

Science Prize
Mathematics Prize

A Jenkins Memorial Prize for Most Improved in

Mathematics Commerce Prize Geography Prize

J W Farley Prize for Australian History

World History Prize Technics Wood Prize Technics Electronics Prize Technics Metal Prize

Technical Drawing Prize
Design and Technology Prize
Computer Studies Prize

McKern Prize for Excellence in Technical

Drawing

Schlenkar Prize for Excellence in Industrial Arts

Daniel Fernandes

Harry Xiao Petros Darnakis

Justin Penafiel/Peter Xie

Timothy Dinjar Peter Xie Filip Lovely Peter Xie

Daniel Fernandes

Nicholas Andrianakos/Gregory Psarakis

Justin Penafiel
Daniel Fernandes

Kim Zhou

Jamie Kwok Gregory Psarakis Richard Chung Timothy Wu Luke Hamblen

Nicholas Andrianakos

Harry Xiao

Nicholas Andrianakos

Harry Xiao Daniel Fernandes Anthony Hough

Simon Thuyen Simon Lee

School Medallion: Imteaz Ahamed, Justin Penafiel, Peter Xie

YEAR 9

Arthur Buchan Prize for Dux of Year 9

English Prize Science Mathematics Visual Arts Prize Music Prize Drama Prize

PD/PE/Health Prize

Human Movement Prize
Geography Prize
Commerce Prize
Australian History Prize
World History Prize
Technics Wood Prize
Technics Electronics Prize
Technical Drawing Prize
Computing Studies Prize

Computing Studies Prize Design and Technology Prize

French Prize Japanese Prize Imran Haque/Ben Morrison

Stephen Tan Ying Chan Ning Song Scott Janssen Blake Robertson-Hall

James Chen

Soner Sahan/ Alexander Stamenkovic

Ben Morrison Shiv Sivakumar Julien Seno Brendan Charles Sadaat Cheema Ben Morrison Timothy Duong

Gary Chan/Derek Wong

Samuel Guirguis Kenrick Blaker James Ward Timothy Yip

School Medallion: Blake Robertson-Hall, Stephan Tan, James Ward, Timothy Duong

YEAR 8	Parents & Citizens Prize For Outstanding Academic Achievement	Parents & Citizens Certificate for Academic Achievement
8 Howell	Justin Cheong Peter Francis Adrien Lalchere Iqbal Mohammad Andrew Murray	Luke Bacon Leo Gaica Hany Georgy Alistair Liong Hans Luo
8 James	Clement Chew Josip Devcic Jacky Li Shaun McCheane Adnan Sufian	Patrick Chan Greg Chin Philip Kim Andrew Lai Anthony Lam Landis Michaels
8 Konrads	Dong Gao Jay Grosvenor Sherman Lam Tim Lay Matthew Lee	Liam Dodds Isaac Kang Lionel Puang Anuk Walgamage Chao Yang Zheng
8 McKern	Hai Au Daniel Kim Edmund Li Colin Lieu Vincentius Teng	Paul Farrell Abid Mujala Aaron Ngan Johnson Nguyen Christopher Selvaraj
8 Smith	Toby Beckmann Kurt Forrester Adam Momi Jacob Todd Leslie Wong	Wayne Aguiar Jaryd Carolin James Diment Sunny Jong Bijoy Joseph
YEAR 7	Parent & Citizens Prize for Outstanding Academic Achievement	Parents & Citizens Certificate for Academic Achievement
7 Broome	Archi Barathan Dominic Cheung Jimmy He Marcus Low Edward Son	Jacky Chan Johnson Chu Jonathan Lin Huy Nguyen Johnny Tran
7 Lake	Shane Drinkwater George Issa Roman Pillay Desmond Tan Daniel Yeung	Mitchell Fripp Kevin Ng Alias Wong Dimtri Prodromou Edward Quach Anosh Sivashanmugarajah
7 MacKinnon	Daniel Teang	
7 IVIACNIIIIOII	Allan Almeida Todd Da Silva Tom Lee Daniel Perkovic Sabiq Tan	Benjamin Chau Peter Cook-O'Neill Quentin Li Jared Poole Nelvin Tam
7 Pillans	Allan Almeida Todd Da Silva Tom Lee Daniel Perkovic	Benjamin Chau Peter Cook-O'Neill Quentin Li Jared Poole

SPEECH NIGHT RECOGNISES STUDENT SUCCESS

Speech night once again highlighted the achievements of our students during 2003. On 12 March we were pleased to welcome back Mr Bob Outterside AO, retired Principal of Sydney Boys High School and an old boy of this school, to give the address and present the special prizes. Dr Phil Lambert, recently appointed Director of Education for Sydney Region, also presented prizes to Year 12.

Highlights of student achievement are detailed elsewhere in this Journal. However, on speech night the school congratulated the following Year 12 students: Dux of Year 12 and Dux of School: Colin Zhou; second in Year 12: Peter Myat; third in Year 12: Tommy Lim

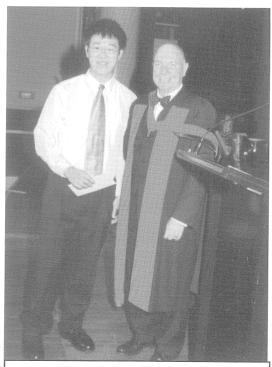
A remarkable 101 students earned Band 6 results (90% or more in a subject), with 266 mentions in total.

Each year the Board of Studies presents The Premier's Awards for Excellence. These awards are presented to students who score 90 marks or more for at least 10 units of study. These students represent the very best of the year's HSC candidates. For their results in the 2003 HSC twelve students received Premier's Awards. They were: Warren Ang, Andy Chan, Thomas Chan, Sam Fanous (fifth in the state in Modern History), Ben Lau, Simon Lee, Tommy Lim, Eugene Lubarsky, Peter Myat, Michael Shehata, Andrew Vonthethoff (fourth in the state in Engineering Studies) and Colin Zhou.

Six students were successful in gaining scholarships. They were: George Andrianakos, John Hilberts, Edwin Ho, Young Ha Lee, Andrew Vonthethoff and Aaron Waters.

From information supplied by students, nineteen scored a UAI of over 99, 99 scored over 90 and 127 scored over 80. University destinations included UNSW 51, Sydney University 32, UTS 27 and Macquarie 10.

We are justly proud of the achievements of our boys.



Premier's Award of Excellence – Colin Zhou with Dr Phil Lambert



Scholarship winner
Andrew Vonthethoff with
Bob Outterside AO

SCHOOL CAPTAIN

As the year approaches its end for the class of 2004, we are left with contradictory emotions in our hearts and minds. The allure of leaving school to move on to the vast opportunities of life in adulthood is somewhat counteracted by the unfamiliarity and uncertainty of the journey that lies ahead. It is the ethos of Tech that accentuates this great paradox, with its infectious warmth and guidance offering cause to seek sanction and remain within its walls, whilst it is this same quality that has provided us with the skills and ability to conquer all the world has to offer. However, despite this predicament, we have no option but to move to face these challenges, assured that the knowledge gained from Tech will equip us to overcome these difficulties and prosper.

To those students of Tech who will remain I strongly urge each and every one of you to grasp all the opportunities that are offered within the school. Aim to maximise the experience and benefit from the unique environment of the school that is created by the attitudes of staff and students alike. The close bond among students, combined with the care and understanding of the staff, have been essential in ensuring not only academic success, but more importantly, fostering emotional development and maturity of each member of the Class of 2004. I strongly encourage you to utilise and benefit from these aspects, but insist that you should further strive to uphold and continue the traditions and culture of the school, recognising that you are a part of something special.

In praising the school, the work of its leaders must be acknowledged, as their dedication provides the major influences for all at Tech. On behalf of year 12, I would like to thank Ms Irvine for her guidance and direction over the years. In taking a personal interest in each of her students, she has brought the best out in each of us, which is something that I, as well as all of year 12, are indebted to her for. I would also like to extend this thanks to her two deputies, Mr Dando and Mr McNaught, who over the past year in particular have assisted both myself and the year, in dealing with the difficulties faced during the final year of schooling. To Mr Derwent, our year advisor for the past two years, I would like to thank you and congratulate you on your tireless efforts in monitoring, motivating and coordinating us to ensure that we are best able to handle what lies ahead. Personally, I have viewed first hand your abilities to organise and plan for the group as a whole, whilst also empowering us, by allowing us to make our own choices and mistakes, an essential in the learning process.

Finally, I am indebted to the support and friendship offered by my Vice Captain, Paul Skyllas, and senior prefect, Tomislav Cuk, as well as the entire prefect body. I can only speak glowingly of you and thank you for your endless contribution to the year in ensuring that we take away the best possible memories of our years at Tech. However, as a whole, I must thank each and every member of the class of 2004. Firstly, In bestowing upon me the honour and privilege of School Captain of this great institution, I am truly humbled and sincerely hope that I have served you in the manner that you deserve. Being in such a position of authority, opportunity and responsibility, was never something I dreamt of and although it has been fraught with difficulties, has provided me with everlasting memories and experiences that I will cherish. Also, I thank the class of 2004 most importantly for their friendship over the past six years in making me laugh and making me cry. It is this aspect that has lured me into the gates everyday and it will be the small things that I will miss most.

To the class of 2004 all the best in your future endeavours and I hope that you achieve all that you aspire to. Winston Churchill once said, that "kites fly highest against the wind, not with it" and so I plead that you persevere and endure with anything that you do and confront any situation with the Tech spirit and ethos. I encourage everyone not just to judge their time here at Tech simply by their academic result, but to realise the more important lessons learnt-those not strictly defined to a classroom or timetable, but the lessons of life that embody Tech and encircle its walls.

All the best, take care and always remember that "Manners Makyth Man".

Nick Kipriotis

PREFECTS - 2004



Mr S Dando (Deputy Principal), P Skyllas (Vice Captain), Ms L Irvine (Principal), N Kipriotis (Captain), Mr G McLean (Prefects Master) T Cuk (Senior Prefect) Mr G McNaucht (Deputy Brincipal)			
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ENDURING CONNECTIONS WITH OUR PAST

The school recognises the importance of maintaining connections with past students and celebrating the history of the school stretching back to 1911. Ex-students are excellent role models for our current students and the school's history is further enriched. For the past three years we have played a far more active role in old boys' functions, attending annual reunions and inviting many ex-students to official school functions.

Anzac Day

2004 was the third occasion that students from 1940s-1960s have been our guests at the annual Anzac Day assembly. In 2004 seventy-five attended, including the organisers of the 1940-1950s group: Ken Henstock, John Booth and Keith Free.

The day began with the signing of the visitors book (donated by Fifth Year 1958) and a chance to meet up with old friends. The ceremony commenced with a procession of past students to the strains of the school song (first sung in 1926) into the auditorium for the Anzac Assembly. This year the theme, *Our Boys Our Anzacs*, was particularly poignant. This moving presentation paid tribute to the boys and teachers of the school who served Australia at Gallipoli and on the Western Front during World War I. We are fortunate indeed to have such a wonderful collection of archival material and we were able to use the actual photographs of these men and the words from school journals 1916-1919 to personalise the presentation. Three current students represented student soldiers. At the conclusion of the ceremony, our visitors enjoyed morning tea with the school staff and prefects, followed by tours of the school conducted by Year 10 students. A very special thank you to Peter Heath. Head Teacher History for making this year's ceremony so memorable.

Annual Reunion Lunch for 1930s -1950s Old Boys

For over fifty years the ex-students from the 1930s and 40s, and now the 1950s group, have met annually for lunch. The Principal and Deputy Principals have been fortunate enough to be their guests. For the past two years the current school captain, vice captain and senior prefect have also been invited and these students have addressed the one hundred ex-students in attendance. This is a lovely fusion of the past with the present and gives our current students an insight into the affection in which the school is held.

At the 2003 luncheon the guest speaker was Keith Free AOM, school captain 1947, who regaled the group with stories from his school days and from his illustrious career as a bookmaker and President of City Tattersall's Club.

Hall of Fame

In 2003 the school launched the Hall of Fame project. Successful and prominent ex-students were invited to submit a photograph of themselves and a 200 word summary of their careers. The school has had these framed to provide a living record of role models for current students. In 2004 the first six were inducted - Arthur Buchan (1941; Assistant Director-General Department of Education in the 1970s), Emeritus Professor Maxwell Howell AO (1944; author, leader of sports history and education), Les Gock (1971; music publisher), Keith Free AOM (1947; past president City Tattersalls), Bob Outterside AO (1949; former principal of Sydney Boys High School; leader in education of gifted students) and Professor Mohamed Khadra (1978, Professor of Surgery Australian National University, Canberra). The framed photos and citations will adorn the walls of the corridor downstairs in A block . We look forward to the induction of more men into the Hall of Fame.



Reunions

In order to make the school more accessible for ex-students we have provided our facilities for reunions. In the past two years three very successful meetings have been held. Each year group is provided with tours of the school and archival records, conducted by the principal, Lynne Irvine and deputy principal, Sam Dando. Thank you to the students of 1971, 1972, and 1983 who have not only held their reunions here but have donated funds which have been used to build upon the displays of our proud history. The beautiful timber and glass display cases in the front foyer, the heritage corridor and the auditorium have been purchased with funds from reunions. We look forward to hosting more reunions and furthering the strong bond between the school and its former students.

Annual Speech Night Prizes

In the past few years a number of ex-students have donated prizes for our annual speech night. We are very grateful for this and ensure that student's are aware of this beneficence. The principal would like to thank the following students for their generosity.

Maxwell Howell (1944)
Professor Maxwell Howell Prize for Sportsman of the Year
Professor Maxwell Howell Prize for Senior PD/H/PE

Arthur Buchan (1941) Arthur Buchan Prize for Dux of Year 9

Kwan Hee Lee (1997) Kwan Hee Lee Prize for Year 11 Engineering

Studies

James Kelly (1979) Owen Hodge Lawyers Prizes for Year 11 and 12

Legal Studies

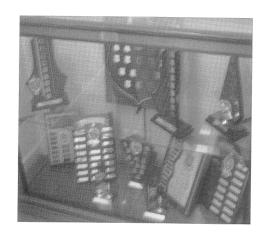
Mohamed Khadra (1978) Khadra Prize for Academic Proficiency to a Year 12 student who has also excelled in Creative or Performing Arts

In addition, the school has named a prize in honour of the great Australian actor and Sydney Tech old boy Leo McKern (1936). The Leo McKern Memorial Prize for Senior Drama was first presented at the 2002 Speech Night.

Heritage Gallery

Visitors this year were able to view the school's new photographic collection from each of the school's sites as displayed in the administration corridor. The Ultimo collection features the very first prefects and head master, staff, examinations in 1914 and the first school tuck shop. The Paddington Collection commemorates the cultural life of the school, music, sporting and debating groups, along with photos of the Paddington buildings and playground. The Bexley Collection shows the current site during construction.





DR MAXWELL LEO HOWELL - DISTINGUISHED OLD BOY

Sydney Tech has produced both outstanding sportsmen and respected academics. Dr Maxwell Howell has uniquely combined both sport and academia.

Tech journals record, for the first time, young Maxwell Howell's name in 1941 for his achievement in junior long jump. His abilities in rugby and cricket were also noted early. He was selected for CHS rugby in 1943 and 1944. The journals describe him as "a most illusive and unorthodox player" and "a real inspiration to his team. A brilliant field and a fearless opening batsman." (1944). He was elected school captain in 1944.

Sport was a passion for Tech boys. Their unofficial motto was: "If study interferes with your sport, give up your study!" Young Maxwell did not follow this advice and left Tech with a first-class pass in English in the Leaving Certificate.

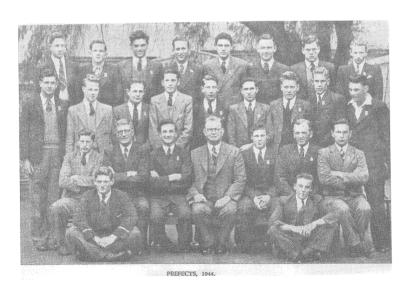
In subsequent years, Dr. Howell continued to combine sport and study. At the age of 19, he was selected in the Wallaby team which toured New Zealand. In 1947 he played against the All Blacks when they toured Australia, and was selected for the Wallaby team which toured the British Isles, France, Canada and the United States. Continuing with his studies, he gained a Diploma in Physical Education and then completed a BA at Sydney University. At the University of California, Berkeley, he gained an MA in 1952 and a Doctor of Education in Motor Learning and Educational Psychology in 1954.

Eventually, Dr Howell progressed to a full professorship at the University of Alberta and subsequently to San Diego State University. In 1979, he moved to the University of Ottawa where he was Director of Human Kinetics. Finally, he spent eleven years at the University of Queensland.

Professor Howell also found time to write over fifty books and three hundred research articles in physical education, health and the history of Australian sport. The awards and honors gained throughout his life, such as 'Officer of the Order of Australia' are too numerous to mention. He believes, however, that one of his finest achievements was marrying Dr Lingyu Xie. Dr Xie-Howell holds a Doctorate in Physical Education and has collaborated with his books since 1995.

School captain, outstanding sportsman and academic, Professor Howell has "been a real inspiration to his team" at Sydney Tech High.

Dean Kaladelfos and Tim Wu Year 11



Maxwell Howell 1944 (seated front row third from left)

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT STAFF

A warm welcome is extended to our new staff member Mrs. Lepherd, to fill the vacancy of Laboratory Officer created by the retirement of Ann Stanford in 2003. Originally from Burma, Mrs. Lepherd transferred to Sydney Tech from Strathfield Girls High School. Science staff and students will benefit from her extensive knowledge of science, and she will undoubtedly prove a valuable member of the Science faculty.

Mrs Carolyn Ross has successfully completed the Department's First Aid Certificate to join Mrs. Collins in administering first aid to our sick and injured students. During Term 3 2004 Mrs. Colleen Gallagher also completed her First Aid Certificate. SASS staff was on hand to assist medical staff during the recent Meningococcal vaccinations involving the whole student body.

School Support and Administration Staff has received a change of name this year with our Senior Mrs. Vicki Manners, now known as Administrative Manager and our science and library staff becoming Laboratory and Library Officers. Our office ladies are now known as Administrative Officers, and our Library Officer, Mrs Meg Reilly, has undertaken a traineeship with TAFE to achieve Certificate III in Education Support – School Assistant/Library. The success of this Department initiative will encourage other SASS to be accredited in their respective positions.

Mrs Porter, Administrative Officer, has benefited greatly from a recent initiative to streamline our print room. In keeping up with changing technology, the addition of two new photocopy machines has assisted both students and staff, providing a more professional and faster production of documents and presentations.

The staff and students wish to thank all those families who supported our major fundraising event during Term 2 this year, the sale of "The Entertainment Book". We hope that next year will see the students continue with the sale of this very popular book.

As our journal was about to be printed we received news that Gae Pearce received promotion to Administrative Manager at Peakhurst South Public School. We wish to acknowledge her great contribution to the school over the past nine years, Gae's skills will be missed on the SAS Staff of STHS.





SYDNEY TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING FUND



The students and staff of Sydney Technical High School wish to thank all those who have donated to our school Building Fund for the repair and restoration of the swimming pool. In particular we would like to recognize the following:

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Swimmer level

\$130.00

The Family of Marcus and Nathan Low

Years 8 and 10 - 2004



Trainer level

\$250.00

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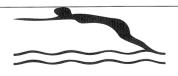


High diver level

\$500.00

Anonymous

Family of student - 2004



Squad leader level

\$750.00 +

The Family of David Baker

Year 7 - 2004

ENGLISH

Last year my theme was 'change'. For 2004 the theme is 'journeys' and once again the HSC is having an influence on my direction. Journeys can take many different forms, physical, spiritual or imaginative. Some may be momentary and others lengthy. However, it is the experiences along these journeys which have the greatest impact and provide the most worthwhile outcomes.

2004 has been a journey. Brief but valuable. Implementation of the new junior syllabus has occurred in Years 7 and 8. The programs we prepared in 2003 are up and running stimulating both critical and creative thinking. As we implement each new unit we are presented with even more challenges as once in practice we see countless learning experiences available in new texts across a range of mediums.

In Term 4 we will focus on the final draft of the new 9-10 programs which will be implemented next year. Already much planning and discussion has reflected on combinations of texts, author studies, inclusion of pretwentieth texts as well as the latest developments in popular mediums like film and CD Rom.

Throughout 2004 we have also continued to engage our students and enrich their experiences through extracurricular activities. Students have attended performances of Blithe Spirit, Amigos and The Miser by the Sydney Theatre Company and Twelfth Night by Bell Shakespeare. Our most recent and most motivating experience was a video workshop by Colin Schumacher from Charles Sturt University who spent a day inspiring our Year 10 and 11 drama students and illustrating for them the intricacies of video making. Students were engaged with considering conceptualising their ideas and how to present them in an entertaining and technically progressive format.

Debating and public speaking initiatives continue to flourish. This year we have added the new Premier's Debating Challenge to our agenda. We have four teams participating and it has so far been an invaluable experience. Our continuing participation in such in-school, district and state-wide competitions provides many avenues for our students to articulate their thoughts and vent their passions and ideas in forums which are conducive to gifted learners.

HSC and SC results for our 2003 candidates were again exceptional, Students gained results well above state average in all courses offered for the HSC and the majority of our students achieved results in bands 5 and 6 for the School Certificate.

Special mention must be made of our English Extension 2 and Drama candidates. The major works produced were a tribute to their dedication and remarkable abilities both creative and critical. Some may think that writing is a feminine art or that the new syllabuses are feminised but the short (8,000 words!!) stories of the majority of our students proved otherwise. Their final products were indicative of their sensitivity, creativity and exceptional talent in the manipulation of narrative. Many embraced the freedom of postmodernism whilst others remained more traditional. Other project mediums selected included film, critical response, poetry and script writing. These works also reflected the talent and ability that are sometimes not able to be expressed in other courses. Our drama students also staged performances which were engaging and entertaining. The script 'The Lucky Country' by Sebastian Gimenez was selected for On Stage and performed by professional actors. Sebastian worked with the director so that his own rationale for how the play should be performed was embraced. The script was witty, topical and humorous and there was no doubt it deserved such an accolade. The major works of 2003 were the products of a valuable and worthwhile journey for each composer.

This year we have also welcomed two new faculty members. Ms Lynn Turnbull has been permanently appointed to the school and she imbues our faculty with rich experience in drama and theatre constantly finding new and creative ways to deliver syllabus content. Ms Debbie Coleman has joined us as a part time ESL teacher and she too is inspirational and dedicated. We welcome them both and hope their time at Tech is rewarding.

The year is drawing to a close and yet it feels like only a moment ago that I wrote the report for last year's journal. Life itself is one long journey and whether we measure it in years, months, days or minutes there never seems to be enough time. Once again I would like to thank all faculty members for their tireless dedication and goodwill, the boys whose passion for learning makes all our efforts worthwhile and the wider school community for their support.

Ms D Demetriadis Head Teacher

MATHEMATICS

This year we welcomed to our ranks Ms Mikl who replaced Miss Goodman for two terms while she helped out as Maths Consultant at the district office of the DET. Ms Mikl is an experienced teacher who has been able to complement the diverse talents of the Mathematics Staff in a very pleasing way.

Sadly, our team of senior students was not able to win the University of Canberra's Mathematics Day Trophy. However, they maintained our status as a leading Sydney school and one which other Canberra schools know they have to seriously contend with. I would like to congratulate the Mathematics Day team for their fine effort and Mr Trotman for his willingness to give his time to help organise our team.

Again, our students performed extremely well in the 2003 Australian Mathematics Competition (2004 results are not available yet) with 5 students gaining cash prizes and over half of all participants gaining distinction awards (top 30% of the State) or better! Prize winners were: Bo Chen & Justin Cheong (Y8), John Xu (Y9), Brian Ip (Y10) and Adam Tran (Y11). Overall deserve the highest praise for their results.

Other Maths Competitions entered by our students gave them opportunity to achieve meritorious results: Harry Xiao (Y11) in the Annual UNSW Maths Comp., Stephen Mak (Y10), Minh Phan (Y9) and Kim Zhou (Y10) gained distinctions in the 2003 Intermediate Mathematics Olympiad (2004 results not available yet); Ning Song (Y9) gained a High Distinction for his work in the 2003 Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians (2004 results not available yet)

Our H.S.C. results for 2003 were again excellent with most students finding Maths was their best subject. Over 96% of our Extension 1 students were placed in the top two bands while the results for the other courses were 94% for Extension 2 and 73% for Mathematics (2 Unit). The percentage of Maths students who scored 90% or above in each course meant we were again strongly featured in the Sydney Morning Herald's list of top schools for Mathematics. This wonderful result is a tribute to the hard work of our students and the dedication of the Maths staff.

These results should encourage all students to work hard and not give up. Many of our students find, after years of patient, conscientious work, their H.S.C. results have finally rewarded them with the success they thought was beyond their reach.

To our departing Year 12, may I extend the best wishes of the Maths staff for a happy future.

Graham McLean Head Teacher



L-R D Phan, J Xu, K Lele,W Liu, A Low, Mr Trotman

CANBERRA MATHS DAY

Eight o'clock in the morning was not the best time to be at school on the morning of a strike day, but Mr Trotman was the only one of us who had thought ahead and for that we were grateful; a poster concerning the use of non circular wheels was required to be completed for the day, and the four uninterrupted hours from eight to twelve provided us with enough time to complete it before we left. The four hour trip to Canberra in Mr Trotman's choice of car (a Tarago, of course) was a journey for sure but between telling jokes and sharing trivia we finally reached our motel.

That night we rested easy and woke up to the sub zero temperatures of Canberra. Complementing the chills up our spines when arriving at the University of Canberra to face the unknown, were the chills in our ears because of the weather. But as the day warmed up, so did we. The first round, problem solving, gave us a short time to answer ten logical problems. The second round, the "Swiss Contest" was a collection of sequences where we had to guess the missing numbers. The next two activities were our forte, with John Zhou leading the way in the maths crossword and the problem solving relay. It was amazing to see him just pulling answers out of the air.

After falling behind slightly in the first two rounds, we regained our positions in the last few to come seventh overall. A successful result in our eyes, and it was flattering to receive some recognition the following Friday at assembly.

Kiran Lele Year 12

SCIENCE

At the end of February, Ann Stanford, our long serving laboratory manager, retired. We have been fortunate to obtain her services on a casual basis this year and so her valued association with Tech continues. Her name is now permanently associated with the medal presented for the best Science research project in Year 10 and each year Ann will present that medal to the winner on Speech Night. Mrs Kerry Joseph acted as temporary lab manager until our new manager, Mrs Soon Tee Lepherd was appointed in Term 2. Kerry achieved many wonderful changes to the way the labs ran in her time at the school. Mr Tony Hayes, who spent 2003 at Tech as a full time casual has been appointed full time to this position. Welcome to both Soon Tee and Tony.

The Science department has begun a two year program of junior program revisions as a response to revisions and deletions in the Board of Studies syllabi. The Quality Teaching project is also driving some of these changes. Its aim is to ensure that students achieve deep knowledge in their studies as well as develop skills and make connections between science and the world. Several inservice courses have provided valuable insights into implementing these new ideas.

The 2003 HSC results in Science subjects were of a very high standard. The variation between Tech and state results showed a very strong positive variation compared with the state: (Biology:+10.85; Chemistry: +12.12; Physics: +10.88). In addition 22.2% of Biology students, 21.3% of Chemistry students and 33.3% of Physics students achieved band 6

(90 or better). Our results were further supported by the very large numbers of students who achieved band 5 (80-89) results (55.5% Biology; 42.6% Chemistry; 41.2% Physics).

Tech students continue to perform exceptionally well in the School Certificate examination. In 2003, 24% of students in Year 10 were awarded Band 6 compared with the state average of 3 %. A further 66% of Tech students achieved band 5 compared with 25% in the state. Well done Year 10, 2003.

Year 10 students showed considerable originality in their choice and execution of a Science research project. The 2003 Year 10 Research Science joint winners were Simon Chiu and Dean Kaladelfos who were presented with their research medallions by Ann Stanford at Speech Night this year. The 2004 winner will be announced later in the year.

Simon Chiu of Year 11 travelled to Portland, Oregon, USA in May to attend the Intel Young Scientist world final. Simon's research on the chemistry of double salt crystals was selected by the Australian judges as worthy of being presented at the world competition. Simon was successful in winning a medal for third place in the Chemistry section. The judges, who included Nobel Prize winning scientists, were very impressed with Simon's research. Congratulations, Simon, on this well deserved award.

Four teams of Year 12 students and one team of Year 11 students participated in the regional Titration Competition at Sydney University in June. The year 11 team (Simon Chiu, Harry Xiao and Kim Zhou) came a close second in the regional competition and will proceed onto the finals later in the year.

Excursions continue to feature strongly in our teaching program. Some of the excursions included this year include: Year 7 studied vertebrate classification at Taronga Zoo in early Term 2. 8S Science undertook a Gifted and Talented incursion involving a series of investigations with the CSIRO *Labs on Legs* program and Year 9 visited the Powerhouse Museum and the Imax Theatre as part of their Astronomy program. They also investigated the marine ecology at Kurnell. Year 10 visited the Australian Museum to extend their studies on evolution. Year 12 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 conducted a field study at Homebush Bicentennial Park.



(L-R) Harry Xiao, Kim Zhou, Simon Chiu



Once again students at Tech High have performed with excellence in the 2004 Australian Science Competition. 14 high distinction certificates, 174 distinction certificates and 178 credit certificates were awarded to Tech students. Congratulations to the following students who gained high distinctions in the Australian Science Competition:

Year 11: Edmund Tse; Kim Zhou

Year 10: Ying Chan; Timothy Duong; Ezra James; Johnathon Keevers;

Year 9: Edwin Cooper; Josip Devcic; Andy Lai; Adam Momi;

Year 8. Arden Burrell; Jimmy He; Steve Trinh;

Year 7: Antoine Rosse

Ying Chan of Year 10 was awarded a medal for first place amongst

Year 10 students in NSW in the Science Competition.

Congratulations Ying.

Congratulations to the following students who gained high distinctions in the inaugural Australian Science Challenge Competition. Congratulations to Kim Zhou who has received the Prudence Award with a score of 91 (99 percentile rank across Australia).

Year 11: Kim Zhou

Year 10: Ying Chan; Tim Duong; Andrew Lilley Year 9: Pok Fai (Leslie)Wong; Josip Devcic

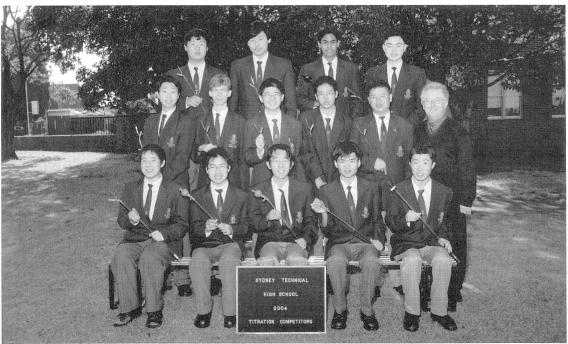
Year 7: Andy Luong; Matthew Hillman; Anthony Sara



Year 7 Taronga Zoo excursion

Thank you to the hard working Science teachers for an excellent year of science teaching. In particular I would like to thank Glenn Hughes and Brian Conner for the organisation of the viewing of the transit of Venus on the afternoon of the 8th of June. Many boys and staff stayed after school in the carpark to make the safe observations of this rare astronomical event using a Newtonian telescope to project an image on a screen , a Cassegrain telescope with a white light filter and a refracting telescope with a hydrogen alpha (Coronado) filter.

G Thickett Head Teacher



(L-R) Back Row: John Xu, Weixu Ji, Keerthi Iyengar, Wen-Chau Liu Middle Row: Jerry Zhou, Michael West, Eric Canbery, Jason Vuong, Des Ng, Dr G Thickett Front Row: Daniel Tran, Simon Chiu, Harry Xiao, Kim Zhou, Allan Le

HISTORY

This year was the 90th anniversary of the outbreak of World War I – 'the war to end all wars'. The school commemorated this important event in the school's Anzac Day Ceremony in a presentation entitled: 'Our Boys – Our Anzacs' - a tribute to those Tech boys and teachers who fought in the Great War at Gallipoli and on the Western Front. The war broke out only two years after the founding of the school in Mary Ann Street, Ultimo in 1911 and the presentation focused on five individuals, three students, Eric Evans, Septimus Walker and Harry Maze, and two teachers, Charles Harrison and William Tonkin. The presentation followed their experiences through the war years and was accompanied by photos of the school, students and teachers of the time accompanied by readings from journal articles read by Blake Jones, James Ward and Robert West. The audience consisted of the school and invited guests, Old Boys from 1932 -1962. It was a memorable occasion for all. Thank you for all those staff and students who contributed.

Last year's (2003) HSC results were especially pleasing. Modern History results were excellent with Sam Fanous gaining a mention on the merit list with 98% in Modern History and 49/50 in Extension History. Ancient History results were once again especially impressive with over 15% of students scoring above the state average and 75% in the top two bands. Congratulations go to our dux, David Ma. Legal Studies had 63% of the candidature in Bands 5 and 6 with an average well above the state mean. Warren Ang was dux. Studies of Religion, a 1 Unit accelerated course, consisting of both Year 11 and Year 12 students, results were also striking. 100% of students achieved results in the top two bands in the HSC. The dux was James Pearce. History results in the 2003 School Certificate Australian History, Geography, Civics and Citizenship Test showed a dramatic improvement over the previous year with the number of Band 6 students increasing to 25% (up by 300%) with 97% in the top three bands.

The Year 10 Interschool History Debating consisted of James Ward, Stephen Tan, Scott Robertson, Scott Janssen and Imran Haque. They successfully won debates against Penshurst Girls and International Grammar but went down to St George Girls debating the topic 'That the Whitlam Government deserved to be dismissed'. Imteaz Ahmed, Eugene Lubarsky, Robert White and Justin Penafiel competed in the Model United Nations (MUNA) competition as South Africa and performed outstandingly. The annual school dig was once again carried out by a band of intrepid archaeologists from Mr Derwent's Year 11 Ancient History class. The site was Wykham Paddock and students used the Wheeler-Kenyon method to discover what lay beneath the top soil and clay to unearth the wonders domestic life in early Bexley.

Year 9 World History studying Hitler and the Holocaust, accompanied by Mr Heath and Mr Short, visited the Jewish Museum. The testimony of our guide, Harry Fransem, who was a holocaust survivor, provided a sobering insight into the human experience and complimented our classroom studies of this dreadful period of history. In the words of Edmund Burke, 'those who forget the past are condemned to repeat it'. James Adams' Medieval Show once again allowed Year 8 History students to gain 'hands on' experience of life in the Middle Ages. Students discovered the 'joys' of punishment in the stocks, the power of the cross bow and the weight of a 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.

The site study this year for Year 7 was the local area and students visited Hurstville Historical Society's St George Museum in an investigation of twentieth century domestic life including a range of artifacts including old irons and washboards. This was followed by a visit to National Trust listed Gladwyn House. Class 7W travelled to the Nicholson Museum in Sydney University with Ms Newett which included a hands on examination of ancient artifacts and an exploration of the museum's fascinating display of Egyptian, Greek and Roman exhibits.

2004 has proved to be another rewarding and enjoyable year. Thanks once again to my staff for their dedication, passion and professionalism. Remember, no history, no future!

Peter Heath Head Teacher

SOCIAL SCIENCE

This year, 2004, faculty members have been busy working on programming for Stage 4 Geography and Stage 5 Commerce and Geography due for implementation in 2005. This has involved the development of new resources and learning activities that provide intellectual quality, technological skills and significance to the real world. They have also provided extra curricula activities, excursions and the opportunity for students to enter many state and Australia wide competitions this year which have provided an enriched curriculum for Social Science students.



Year 10 Canberra Excursion

The results in the Australian Geography competition were again extremely good with thirty eight students receiving high distinctions and three students in the top 0.2% of Australia. They were James Diment, Bijoy Joseph and Blake Robertson. At the time of writing other competition results have not been received.

Last year we received some excellent results in the Sustainable Living Competition run by the University of NSW - this is a project with an interdisciplinary approach aimed at creating a solution to a real life environmental problem. Winston Yang, Richard Chung, Thomas Xu and James Xu won the Dean's award for the Built Environment for their project on Hurstville.

The 2003 HSC results were extremely pleasing. Business Studies students achieved an average mark of 82.4 which was eleven marks above state average and 77% of students were placed in bands 5&6. The average mark in Economics was 84 and 76% of students were placed in the top two bands. In Geography 89% of students were placed in the top two bands with an average mark of 84.3.

In the second year of state wide testing of Geography, Civics and Citizenship, Year 10 achieved outstanding results. 32.7% of students received band 6 which was the top 3.9% of the state. 83.3% were placed in the top two bands compared to 21.4% state wide.

The Year 10 Canberra excursion provided students with fieldwork crucial to their study of Commerce, History and Civics and I would like to thank the staff that supervised that overnight excursion. I would also like to acknowledge the work of the Social Science staff in providing opportunities for the students beyond the faculty area. They are involved in organising the SRC, Speech Night, on-line debating, TAFE courses and contribute to welfare activities such as year camps, study skills days and peer support.

Joy Davis Head Teacher









CREATIVE ARTS

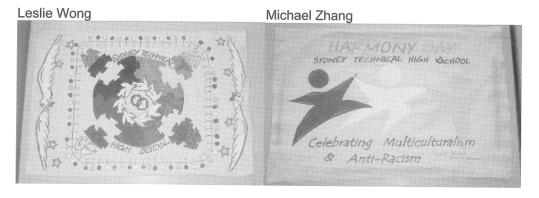
It is common knowledge to teachers of our faculty that immersion in the cultural and expressive arts nurtures cognitive, social and personal competencies in our students. They are happy and engaged learners who develop multiple skills and abilities through exposure to creative process and production. The diverse activities of our faculty such as excursions, competitions, rehearsals, workshops, performances, exhibitions and cultural exchanges enhance the enjoyment of learning in Languages, Music and Visual Arts. 2004 has certainly generated many praises to sing.

Firstly, mention must be made of our clever Year 12 2003 students for their superlative performances at the HSC. Students in LOTE, Music and Visual Arts received marks well above state average, with all students in Japanese, Music and Visual Arts achieving results in the top two bands. Of particular note are six Visual Arts students who were preselected for *Artexpress* – Chris Bickerton, Matthew Burness, Dickson Chan, Andrew Lee, Bernard Tan and John Watson, and Music 1 student Aaron Waters, whose composition "Grandfather Rag" was selected for *Encore* – a program of exceptional pieces performed in March at the Opera House.

This year our Language department welcomed Monsieur Alain Albert (who, as a native French speaker, has provided the boys with authentic conversation) and Mrs Jan Webster, who replaced Mr Reynolds on his sabbatical leave. In conjunction with our existing part time linguists, Mrs Laylim and Mrs Cross, Ms Abson has coordinated Language activities this year, including preparing students for the Australian Language Certificate, organising a Japanese student visit and homestay and supervising Japanese assistants throughout the year. Details in the LOTE report.

Our Music department has seen a flourish of performances this year, including school assemblies to encourage our new Year 7 students, Year 6 Open Day, Speech night, Musicale and several competition performances. Mr Towner (whose Music report follows) and Mr Owens have been 'instrumental' in nurturing this musical maelstrom, and have been ably assisted by Mr Gary Smith, who has covered Mr Owens' leave.

The Visual Arts department has organised several gallery visits. Students have visited *Artexpress* and the celebrated *Caravaggio* exhibitions at the Art Gallery of NSW. A saunter through the botanical gardens to the Museum of Contemporary Art allowed students to view the prolific work of contemporary Australian artist, Tracey Moffatt. Most recently, a whole year group toured the various venues of *Biennale*, delighting in the comical nature of some contemporary art. Several Year 9 elective Visual Arts students designed and painted sections of banner for the St George District celebration of Harmony Day during term one. Students worked in groups to create eye catching imagery on the theme of multi-culturalism and anti-racism. The designers of the four pieces selected for inclusion in the banner were Leslie Wong, Andrew Lai, Justin Cheong and Michael Zhang. The banner decorated the entrance to Hurstville Civic Centre during celebrations.



Four of our clever student artists attended the annual "Sydney Rocks On" workshops. This is a special project targeted at talented Year 10 Visual Arts students, and our students were selected on the merit of their school art making. The workshops combine an appreciation of the role of heritage in shaping the environmental amenity of our city, as well as developing artistic skills in a challenging and competitive environment. Congratulations to our participants for their selection, participation, and to some for winning their category. They were **Scott Janssen - Drawing, Allan Ha – 1**st in sculpture, Leon Tam –1st in drawing and Paul Wallace -1st in painting and overall!

Most recently, two of our Year 11 artists, **Joe Jin** and **Peter Xie** were accepted into the National Art School's extension program, affording them an extra unit of Visual Arts through a tertiary setting. These examples of partnerships between teachers, artists and art agencies provide enrichment and authenticity in the art education we deliver to students, which can develop their creative thinking capacity for learning across the arts and into other curriculum areas. Thankyou to the many students and teachers who enriched the life of the school this year through the energy and talent they harnessed in faculty pursuits.

Joanna Wright
Head Teacher Creative Arts/LOTE

LANGUAGES

This year has once again been a very busy and rewarding one for the Languages Department. The start of the year saw a change in staff with Mr Brian Reynolds taking leave for one year. He was replaced by two part-time teachers – Mr Alain Albert, a French native speaker who has certainly brought much enthusiasm to the Junior French classes, and Mrs Jan Webster who is well known to the students due to her regular contact with our department on a casual basis over many years. Both Mrs Kim Cross and Mrs Belinda Laylim remained as part-time teachers again this year.

This year in Year 12 we had students sitting for the HSC in Japanese Continuers, Japanese Extension and for the first time in many years, French Continuers and Beginners. A big thank you must go to Mrs. Cross who so willingly took on the role as senior French teacher and diligently worked on producing programs and much needed resources for the senior French course.

The 2003 HSC results were extremely pleasing with overall achievements above state average in all courses. Congratulations must go to all the boys for their hard work and effort throughout the year. Special mention needs to be made of Matthew Townsley who came first in Japanese Continuers and Extension, achieving the top band in both courses, and Hassan Salem who was first in the German Continuers course, also achieving a Band 6 in the HSC.

All students studying languages in Years 9 and 11 once again sat for the Australian Language Certificates in early August and we await some very pleasing results. In last year's competition our school achieved well above the average in both reading and listening skills. Students who were placed in the top 10% of those taking part in Reading and/or Listening included: Ying Chan, Kaloon Fung, Majdi Huq, Phillip Lay, Tim Low, Charles Mangura, Anthony Tse, Mark Xie, Tim Yip, Gulrez Khan, Min Phan, Andre Szczepanski, James Ward (Beginner's Certificate) and Dean Hammerton, Tetsuro Hunter, Ibrahim Tohidi-Esfahani (Intermediate Certificate). In February, Years 10 and 12 Japanese classes were used to trial test this year's certificates and Years 9 and 11 will trial test next year's certificates toward the end of the year.

The opportunity to converse with a native speaker is always beneficial to anyone learning a second language and our Japanese classes were fortunate enough to have an assistant teacher in Term 1. Shohei Miura helped students with their writing and speaking skills and provided valuable insight into the culture of his country. We also welcomed students from UTS, who were completing their Diploma of Education, into the French and Japanese classes in Terms 2 and 3. As these teachers were also native speakers their knowledge and expertise in all skills areas were of great assistance to all students, especially the senior classes.

Daniel Ang, Daniel Kim, Rajesh Gounder and Isaac Kang were selected to represent our school and Hurstville City Council on a two week trip to the sister city of Shiroishi, Japan, in the July holidays. The chance to live in a traditional Japanese home while experiencing a different lifestyle is something that will always be a wonderful memory for the boys. Daniel also played host to one of the Shiroishi students when they visited Sydney at the end of July.

The Nanzan Homestay Program was a new experience for Sydney Tech but one that I feel was a huge success. We hosted five boys for 16 days, providing them with the opportunity to attend an Australian school while living with an Australian family and experiencing a very different lifestyle. By the time of the farewell party many strong friendships had been formed and there were many sad faces when the boys had to board the bus, leave their host families and return to Japan. A very big thank you, again, to the following boys and their families that so kindly took the boys into their homes and showed them a unique and unforgettable time: Uri Chouster (Yr 9), Johnathon Keevers (Yr 10), Alexander Stamenkovic (Yr 10), Ben Urwin (Yr 11) and Tomislav Cuk (Yr 12).

Apart from continuing with their language study, students have been involved in many cultural experiences and excursions. Years 8 and 9 German students attended a day at the zoo as a follow up to the unit they had been studying on animals, Years 9, 10 and 11 students went to a German exhibition at the Australian Technology Park followed by a lunch at a German restaurant and Year 8 German also enjoyed a cooking day. A cruise on Sydney Harbour had Years 10 and 12 French students interacting and conversing solely in French before heading off to a French restaurant for a much deserved lunch, while Year 8 tried their hands at some French cooking under the watchful eye of their teacher, Mr. Albert, who is a qualified French chef. Japanese classes have also been busy with sushi and obentoo days, calligraphy and bonsai lessons for Year 9 and some Japanese cooking on the bbqs for the senior classes.

With the implementation of the new 7-10 syllabuses starting next year it has been a very busy time rewriting programs and I want to thank all the language staff for their hard work this year and for their great efforts in making language learning an enjoyable and rewarding experience for our students. I personally would like to thank the language staff for their continual support this year.

Pam Abson Languages Coordinator







MUSIC

The Music Department is very proud of the students in the school who involve themselves in the pursuit of music learning and experience. Many students pursue a deeper understanding both through elective music classes from Years 9 – 12 and through participation in the school's *Performing Ensembles Program*.

This year perhaps the highlight of endeavours was the Band Camp held in July. It had been quite a few years since a Band Camp had been held and this was only the second time that this has happened. Attending the camp were ninety four students who were members of the Concert Band, Stage Band and the Intermediate Concert Band. This was a great opportunity for students to be given a few days where musical learning could be intensified. As a preparation for the following week where all three bands were involved in public performance the band camp proved to be a huge success. The resultant performance standard of the ensembles was a great credit to the students and reflected their commitment to achieve musical excellence.

The structure of the *Performing Ensembles Program* continues to prove successful where the musical and social skills of its members are fostered through a sequentially developing method.

The **Beginners' Band** of 2003 / 04 comprised a group of well motivated students who demonstrated solid learning and who impressed through the speed of their learning. These boys are now members of the Intermediate Concert Band where they are working hard to improve their performance skill and ensemble awareness.

The Beginners' Band of 2004 / 05 is again doing extremely well in its instrument learning and has recently given its very first and very successful performance (after only one and a half terms of experience). Jenny Williams and her tutoring team are to be congratulated for the excellent work they do with our students.

The **Intermediate Concert Band** has forty nine members who have continued to develop their skills. This ensemble provides a "stepping stone" to membership of the Concert Band and quite a few students have auditioned and progressed to the Concert Band.

The level of application during the Band Camp and through the weekly rehearsals has been most impressive and the boys in the ensemble are to be commended for their dedication.

The **Concert Band** has provided musical moments of performance excellence. The repertoire worked on this year has contained some of the most challenging pieces that the group has been asked to perform, the students have done this to a very high standard.

The Concert Band has also had forty nine members this year and this has provided an ensemble of considerable depth and flexibility. The mutually supportive Concert Band and Stage Band has resulted in many students being given a broad and demanding range of musical experiences. Some of these students have achieved outstanding levels of musical performance skill and in some cases on two different instruments.

The **Stage Band** under the direction of Mark Brown has made rapid advances in performance expertise. The boys have been provided with a first rate learning environment where they can explore and develop their solo and improvisation skills. This year there has been a focus on improvisation and special workshops have been organised under the direction of visiting tutor Andrew Robertson. The boys are to be congratulated on their responsible commitment to the ensembles and the art form.

Throughout the year each of the ensembles have been involved in performances where they can present their skill to the school and the wider public. Notable performances have been for :

Speech and Presentation Night - Concert Band & Stage Band

Orientation Day - Concert Band Anzac Day Commemoration - Concert Band

Year 7 Presentation Concert - Intermediate Concert Band School assemblies - Concert Band & Stage Band

Musicale 2004 - Intermediate, Concert & Stage Band Bandfest 2004

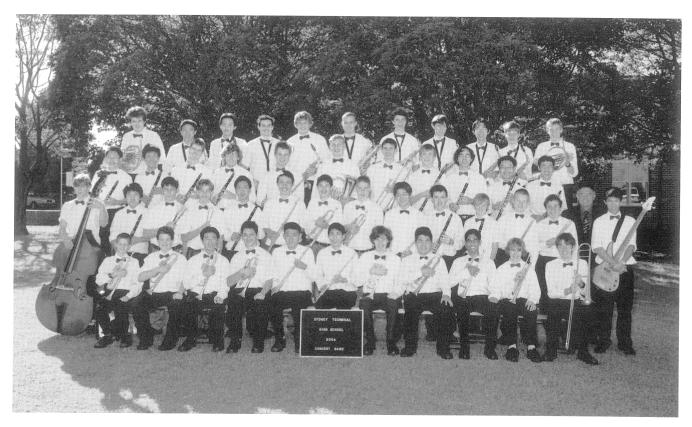
Intermediate, Concert & Stage Band

Year 12 Farewell Assembly - Stage Band NSW Schools Band Festival - Stage Band City Mission Fundraiser Concert - Stage Band To our Year 12 students of 2004 the Music Staff wish every success in the HSC examination and commend them for their efforts. Some of these students have been active in the performing ensembles from Year 7 and have demonstrated dedication and commitment to music throughout their High School years. Congratulations Tomislav Cuk, Phillip Lathourakis, Tom Sangster, Jonathan Sheahan and Ho-Pan So. Also we wish the best for Year 12 music students David Kirkpatrick and Michael Riley in the HSC.

MUSIC SUPPORT GROUP

Our band of loyal parents have again been outstanding in their support for the activities of the Music Department. Much is achieved by this group who meet almost every month seeking to foster music education at this school. Funds are raised, Musicale and Christmas Concerts are organised, student rewards are facilitated and Music Staff and students are supported. The Music Department thanks these parents most sincerely. Congratulations to the Executive of the *Music Support Group* for 2004 for their contribution: Sharon Keevers – President, Bob Cuk – Treasurer, Richard Szczepanski – Secretary.

Doug Towner, Paul Owens



Concert Band

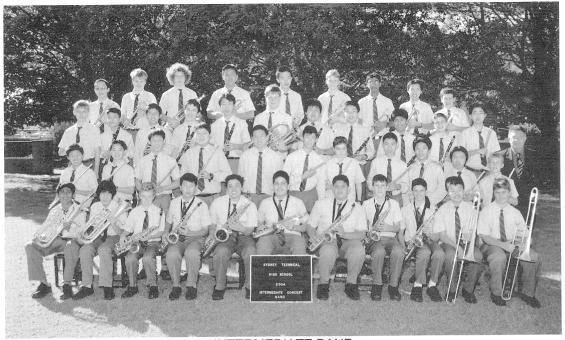
Front Row (L-R) A Rosse, D Simmonds, M Yuen, N Psomas, W Shi, A Lim, B Robertson-Hall, R White, D Fernandes, L Dodds, J Smith

2nd Row (L-R) S Zentilomo, T Lee, S Morvillo, L Bacon, A Tse, A Szcvzepanski, L Szczepanski, J Seno, R Pan, N Cassim, L Cooper, J Keevers, J Smith, Mr Towner, Y Lee

3rd Row (L-R) A Wong, K Tang, G lewis, J Ward, S Holt, S Janssen, J Scott, B Charles, J Ngo, P Xie, T Duong

Back Row (L-R) M Gardiner, A Vo, J Xu, D Kaladelfos, E Vonthethoff, S Holt, M Hunter, A Lalchere, H Xiao, C Nillsen, C Mattern

Absent: T Cuk.



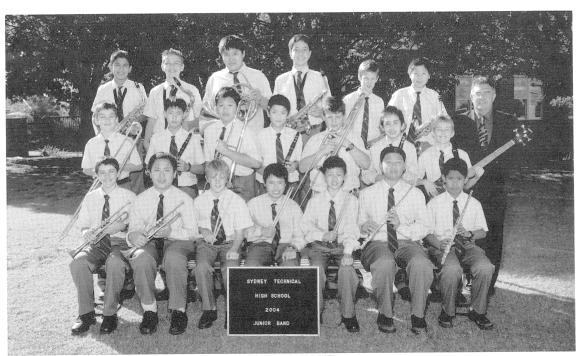
INTERMEDIATE BAND

Front Row (L-R) U Kalugalage, S Tan, E Vallis, Z Wang, A Woods, R Rodriguez, N Hallasso, P Mulheron, J Lauer, A Shen, B Newsom

2nd Row (L-R) R Szeto, D Cheung, K Chang, V Xiong, G Chin, W Tam, T Campbell, M Au, J Chu, M Tzang, R Giles, Mr Towner

3rd Row (L-R) J Feeney, J Poole, J Chan, L McDonald, P Xuan, J Peacock, A Yuen, J He, J Ocsona, S Heath, B Kam

Back Row (L-R) N Chau, P Tunbridge, M Day, S Trinh, B Chang, L Gaica, A Challa, K Man, N Mason



JUNIOR BAND

Front Row (L-R) J Hanna, J Taurail, L Cooper, G Ng, M Chiam, Q Wong, D Ouch

2nd Row (L-R) T Anders, D Cha, J Wong, V Chang, A Sara, A Jocobs, R Giles, Mr Towner

Back Row (L-R) J Mohammed-Rahim, C Johns, S Shen, C Strong, N Woods, K Wu



STAGE BAND

Front Row (L-R) J Ngo, E Vonthethoff, S Holt, M Hunter, D Kaladelfos, 2nd Row (L-R) S Zentilomo, J Smith, J Scott, J Smith, S Burtt, Mr Towner Back Row (L-R) B Robertson-Hall, J Sheahan, J Seno, J Ward Absent: T Cuk, Mr Brown (conductor)

PD/H/PE & CAREERS

2004 has seen a continuance of the achievements of the previous year. This faculty has the unenviable task of coming into contact with and reporting on the entire junior school in the form of the PD Health and PE programs, as well as running elective subjects in Years 9 to 12. The purposes of these two areas are diverse, and the staff involved have worked hard to ensure that a broad range of learning has occurred.

The Human Movement courses continued in Years 11 and 12 and the boys will present themselves well for the upcoming HSC, having worked hard at this course which is more intense and demanding than most of them would have realized when first choosing the elective. The junior courses are along similar lines, but without the rigour required for the aforementioned courses, and include looking at training techniques, aspects of fitness and physical well-being and the bio-mechanics behind human movement in general.

The School to Work program has continued its momentum since its recent introduction and provides students with the knowledge and skills to develop a comprehensive careers' plan. School to Work incorporates a range of developmental activities over high school years empowering students to make informal decisions in relation to a wide range of post school destinations.

This year, the program has consolidated further the cross-curriculum perspective with all Year 10 teachers identifying employment-related skills developed in their subject during a 'careers week'. Students use this information to complete a school to work planning assignment. 2004 has seen the ongoing development of the Careers Learning Centre with an upgrade of computers expected soon. The use of the centre continues to increase with lessons, guest speakers, seminars, special activities and meetings.

Trevor Trotman R/Head Teacher

CAREERS – 2003 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.

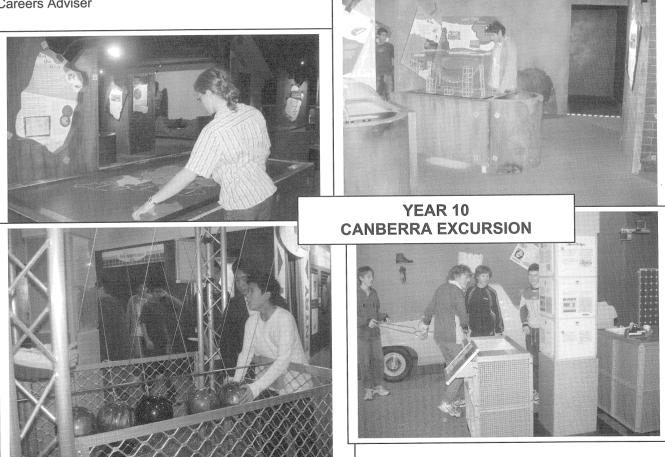
In the 2003 HSC, Sydney Technical High School had 12% of students with UAI's of 99+, 41% 95+, 64% 90+, 82% 80+ and 92% 70+.

Our top scoring students with UAI's of 99 or more were: Jin Feng (Colin) Zhou, Peter Myat, Tommy Lim, Sam Fanous, Andrew Vonthethoff, Michael Shehata, Stephen Wong, Carl Ang, Thomas Chan, Simon Lee, Warren Ang, James Myint, Sam Wang, Carl Ng, Eugene Lubarsky, Benjamin Lau, Hassan Ayache, Matthew Chen and Andy Chan.

% of Year 12 gaining a University Offer

1999	86%
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2000	92%
2001	90%
2002	87%
2003	92%

Brett Mulholland Careers Adviser



TECHNOLOGICAL AND APPLIED STUDIES

The TAS faculty has had another enjoyable year in 2004. The year has been characterised by the continuing development of the senior HSC courses and we have been really encouraged by the excellent success of our 2003 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 Jesse Young's Radio Telescope, Adrian Taylor's Intelligent Solar Generator and Tom O'Keefe's Greenhouse. The class group proved to be very diverse in personality and interests and their choices of project reflected this. What was also impressive was their confidence in taking on large, demanding and in some ways 'risky' projects. The students are indebted to Mr Gowan for his energy, technical skill and capacity to be flexible in co-ordinating such a wide range of innovative projects with a large class group. With the construction of four projects at home we thank parents for their willingness to allow their privacy to be invaded.

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 Graham. We believe they gained a real insight into 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 from Year 11, Daniel Fernandes and Nick Psomas are sitting for the HSC in Engineering Studies and Nick Andrianakis in Design and Technology. Also, Gary Chan and Derek Wong from Year 10 are presently accelerating in Year 11 Engineering Studies and we are pleased with their progress.

Congratulations also need to be passed on to Andrew Vonthehoff. In the 2003 HSC in Engineering Studies his results were exemplary with Andrew coming 5th in NSW. The class overall did a great job in maintaining the very high standard set by Tech students in Engineering over many years with 66% of the class in the top performance band.

Our concentration in developing students literary abilities has not been limited to the senior years as they head towards the HSC, but with a real emphasis on the development of oral and written communication skills across all years.

The Ministers' Young Designer's Competition and the IDP project generated a lot of interest from the Year 8S students. The boys are capitalising on the success of the 2003 group where one team went on to win awards at State judging. Congratulations to Sean El Sayed, Uri Chouster and Jaryd Carolin on their fine achievment. My thanks go to Mr Graham and Mr Coulston for their continuing work with the SEP program.

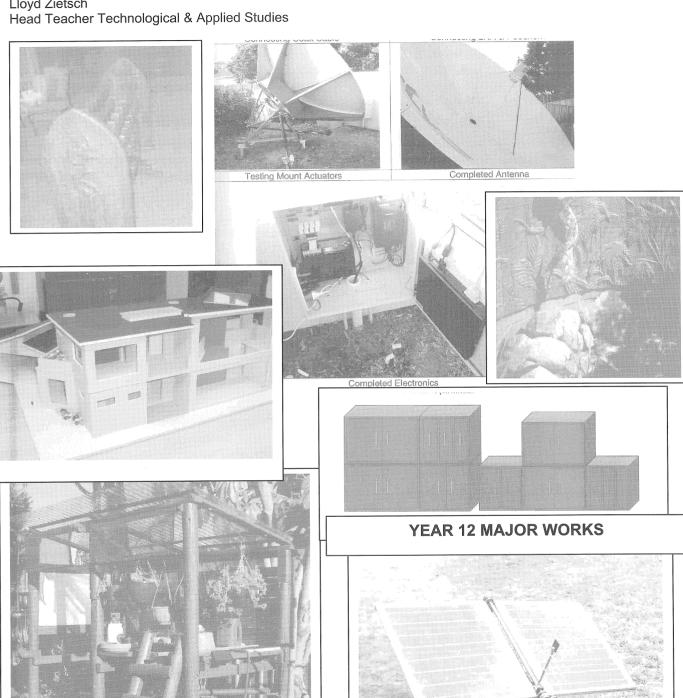
The TAS faculty continues to have strong links with our major universities. Both Sydney University and UNSW are very happy to have our students visit, or be visited by university faculty members, and this opportunity was taken up a number of times this year. The Dean of Electrical Engineering at UNSW continues to comment on how the Tech. Students that move to his institution are so well received and experience much success. Recently a number of our old boys received substantial recognition at an awards night for the Faculty of Built Environment.

The annual Sustainable Living Competition run by the UNSW Faculty of Built Environment was well represented by students in Year 10 from Tech. Two groups of students from TAS and HSIE won major awards. The group from the Technical Drawing class, Imteaz Ahamed and Harry Xiao, won the prestigious Outstanding Achievment Award and significant prizes. Congratulations to Harry and Imteaz on their creativity and insight into issues and energy efficiency and creating a sustainable environment.

Preparations are under way for the development of the new programs for the junior school starting in 2005. Already we have trialled some of the modules in 2003/4 to ascertain what areas of the options available in the new syllabus will be most relevant to our students. Our present Technics courses (Timber, Electronics and Metal) will now be known as Industrial Technology. Mr Stokes, Graham, Edwards and Gowan have done a lot of work in the development of these course. We anticipate that the new courses will be received very enthusiastically by the boys with a continuing emphasis on design and problem solving coupled with a greater opportunity to use current technology. The 3D CAD software with associated animation and manipulation features will certainly help in the implementation of the courses, especially in Graphics Technology, as will the milling machine linked to the software that allows scaled models to be produced which should get a lot of work in Design and Technology.

I am very indebted to Mr Riley, Mr Simmonds and Mr Cooper who have worked tirelessly in the continual development of the network facilities that enhance the delivery of our courses in the TAS area. To have the flexibility that allows students to move from the practical class to computer and graphics facilities, and back again, is tremendous.

Lloyd Zietsch Head Teacher Technological & Applied Studies



COMPUTING STUDIES

The year just gone has been like so many recently: increasingly busy keeping up with the new developments in this fascinating area of study. The class work and extra-curricula work has continued to challenge the students (as well as the teachers). We find ourselves at times reflecting on the constant pace of change in the computing field, but it's good to keep moving forward. Thanks to the diligence and concern of the computing teachers, who are keeping abreast of the latest and greatest.

The first year of the Accelerated Information Processes and Technology class has just completed the HSC. The results are unknown at the time of writing but congratulations need to be extended to all the boys for trying something new. It will be good to follow the progress of these boys over the next two years and seeing the long term benefits of having two HSC units already under their belts.

This year has been a preparatory year for a new computing syllabus. The junior Computing Studies syllabus has been updated. It is now known as Information and Software Technology. It is a much more project based course. As well as the basics it focuses on Web development, Multimedia, Artificial Intelligence, Software programming, Database Design, Networking and Robotics. This is a very attractive course and will be rewarding for all the students that enrol in it.

Forty students competed in the University of NSW Computing Studies Competition this year. The majority of these achieved a distinction or higher. One team, Sandeep Koniki, Simon Liang and Edmund Tse, entered the UNSW Programming Competition and achieved a distinction (13th position in the state) in this very difficult challenge. I am constantly encouraged by the high levels of interest and ability the boys display. The intranet team has had a very productive year providing and maintaining a great resource for all the school. This year a forum has been developed which allows feedback and discussion. It is planned to make use of this forum as a computer based discussion for coursework. There is evidence that this type of activity can enhance learning and enable deeper debate on topics than can be achieved in the classroom.

On a network front we are progressing with the addition of wireless technology around the school. We are now in a position where each of the faculties has a laptop computer. With the WiFi cards this allows a greater degree of freedom of movement while still being connected to the network. To enable the multimedia studies we have recently purchased a site license for a multimedia authoring suite. This software allows the students to progress beyond PowerPoint and create multimedia applications such as interactive tutorials and other interactive applications. We are hoping that this will form a solid part of the Information and Software Technology course in Years 9 and 10.

It is encouraging to see that a large number of the class of 2003 have continued their studies to tertiary level in computing. Such a large number of University courses incorporate computing into their curriculum. It is important to know that the students are gaining a sound basis for their future education here at Sydney Tech.

Martin Riley Head Teacher

FRED

A belated Year 11 edition of FRED was released in term 3. The Year 10 team then took control.

As the democratically elected editor, I have a vision for the coming year. My main task will be to promote FRED in the school, to raise its profile and make it more visible again, thus restoring some of its wit and glamour.

James Ward Editor

WELFARE

The welfare team have had another busy year in maintaining existing programs and introducing new initiatives. The six Year Advisers, School Counsellor, Student Mentor and a large number of interested staff have been heavily involved in working with students and the broader school community to provide all students with the opportunity to achieve their potential in a supportive environment.

The school continues to promote student resourcefulness through a variety of proactive programs as a means of empowering students with strategies to cope with the pressures that confront them. During the year a number of students with concerns as divergent as family break-ups, illness, time management and behavioural problems have been supported by the welfare team. Such instances usually have a dramatic impact on the student and require considerable time, skill and finesse from staff to effectively manage the situation.

Welfare programs, as outlined below, have been organised on a year basis and have targeted identified needs of our students such as developing relationships, building tolerance, coping with stress, leadership skills, personal goal setting and improving study skills.

Year 7 Year Adviser Mr P Graham: transition program, Year 7 camp (relationships, team building, study skills), Peer Support, anti-bullying workshops

Year 8 Year Adviser Ms T Blake: Improved Communication (writing and study skills), mentoring with teacher volunteers (time organisation, social skills)

Year 9 Year Adviser Mr N Stokes: Year 9 study skills day (learning styles, goal setting, study methods, first aid), Year 9 camp (relationships, team building)

Year 10 Year Adviser Ms P Abson: Elevate Education (study skills, motivation), Youth Leadership Forum (12 students), Peer Support Leader Training in Term 4

Year 11 Year Adviser Mr P Werner: 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 Mr B Derwent: study skills, time management, interview skills and stress management workshops, 'Surviving The HSC' seminars, mentoring for selected students.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the dedication and efforts of the year advisers, Ms. Cristofoletti (School Counsellor), Mr A Gowan (Student Mentor) and the teachers who have helped by running seminars, attending camps, mentoring students or just helping out during the year. Every school activity, every day, benefits from having happy, confident and resourceful students.

Neville Roper Head Teacher

CANTEEN

This is a particularly sad year for me as Canteen Manager. I began this position when the current Year 12 started here so we have undertaken the Sydney Tech adventure together. We wish every one of these students the very best for the future. You will be missed.

As everyone will be aware we are required to run a healthier canteen from 2005. Many changes in this direction have already occurred and as usual we can count on our boys to take whatever comes along in their stride. Everything we have instigated so far has gone very well and changes will continue to be introduced gradually throughout the remainder of the year.

A very grateful thank you to our wonderful volunteers and a special good-bye to the Year 12 parents who will be leaving us,

Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy, healthy New Year.

Irene Shute Canteen Manager

INTERACT

We had a great year for Interact in 2004. Not only did we carry on with our great work from last year, we introduced some really interesting fund raising events that set records in Sydney Tech history and just really got the whole school community involved.

The first major event that was organised was a "freaky hair day" as part of the Leukaemia Foundation's 'World's Greatest Shave'. A group of Year 12s volunteered to shave their heads for a cure. The event looked a risk, when scheduled to be on a Thursday, it saw us collect a grand total of just \$10 up until the Monday before it occurred. On top of this, the people shaving their heads seemed to be reconsidering. However, after much convincing and at times begging to "donate to this great cause", we managed to increase the funds raised. By the Thursday, we had managed to collect \$1550! This was a record in Sydney Tech history. As you can see below all the Year 12s stuck to their word and we had a very memorable day of hair cutting, hair spraying and freaky hair right in the quadrangle, courtesy of Interact.

Another day that I'm sure no one will forget was the Krispy Kreme day. Thinking of a new and innovative way of raising funds, Interact announced a Krispy Kreme day in assembly, which was greeted with a tremendous cheer. The following assembly was much more subdued, with only the economics students laughing at Mr McNaught's speech about how Year 12s were unfairly using their "market power". The 'Krispy Kreme fiasco' lasted about fifteen minutes with 120 boxes and 1440 donuts being sold before recess even started. With thanks to Chris Do, the appointed buyer of KK's who took twenty four boxes to distribute among Year 12, and of course Serkan Sandal, who bought twenty-six donuts in total and actually ate all of them.

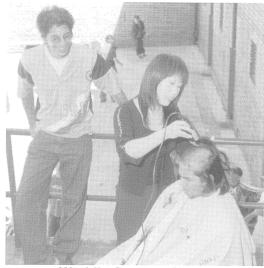
The Children's Hospital were totally thrilled with the amount raised on Bandaged Bear Day. As a school, we raised a huge amount, being in the top ten school fundraisers in the state!!

Well, there are so many things that come to mind about what Interact has been involved with over the past year and it has been very enjoyable being part of it. Good luck for the following years and I am sure you will do a fine job.

Aniket Nadkarni Interact President 2003-2004



Red Nose Day



World's Greatest Shave

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL

The SRC has enjoyed another busy year under the leadership of Michael Sloane (President) and Nafi Ali (Vice-President). These two impressive gentlemen were adequately supported by their fellow executive members – Imteaz Ahamed (Secretary) and Robert West (Treasurer).

During the year the SRC were responsible for running the school photo day which involved organising the envelopes then delivering the completed photos to each of the students who ordered them. They also organised a very successful school dance in conjunction with St George Girls at the end of Term One.

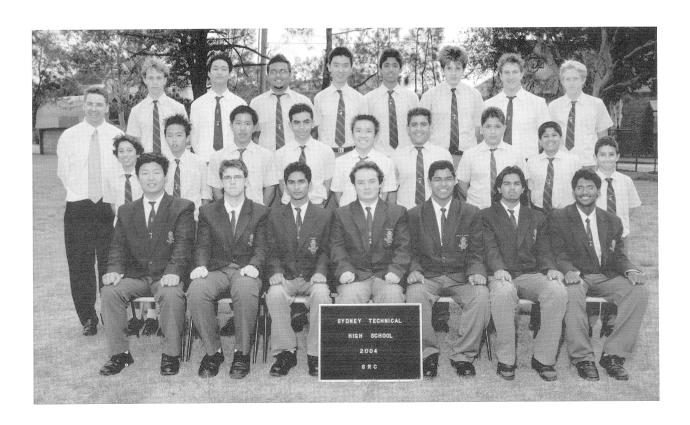
The SRC members ran two very successful barbecues during the year – the first at the school cross-country and the second a few days later in the school quadrangle. They also ran a very successful raffle where the first prize was a signed NSW State of Origin jersey.

Another significant achievement of this year's SRC was the introduction of a new SRC Constitution which involved a lot of work from the Executive. Congratulations, boys, on a great effort.

The junior members of the SRC have also been active in the day-to-day running and it is pleasing to see that they fully participate in all activities by providing many valuable ideas and initiatives for the future.

Finally, the Council has 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 during the year.

Michael Bellamy Coordinator



PUBLIC SPEAKING

In 2004, STHS was once again well represented in a variety of public speaking competitions and all participants brought credit to their school.

The internal Public Speaking competition involved all junior students in their English classes through 2004. Each class provided a speaker for the finals and the eventual winner of the prepared and impromptu sections were:

Year 7

Anosh Sivashanmugarajah

Year 8

Luke Bacon

Year 9

Morgan Gardiner

Year 10

Imteaz Ahamed

We are grateful to the parents, students and teachers who were involved in the adjudication teams.

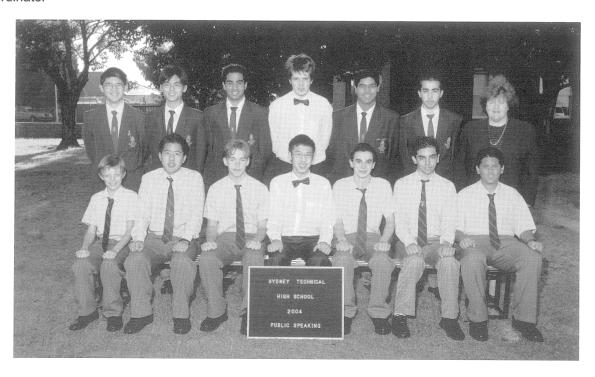
Imteaz Ahamed of Year 11 was selected to represent STHS in the Lions Club of Oatley's Youth of the Year Quest where he was assessed on his academic, cultural, sporting and civic achievements as well as his speaking skills. Imteaz won the Bill and Trudy Brooks Shield and went on to represent the club at the Regional Final. A fine achievement!

Eric Canbery of Year 12 and Luke Bacon of Year 9 represented the school in the Rostrum "Voice of Youth" and were selected to go to the Regional Finals. Both are fine speakers and we are proud of their efforts.

The St George Eisteddfod involved a number of enthusiastic junior students. Cameron Roberts of 7B won the impromptu section and was a finalist in the prepared section where he spoke with much enthusiasm and humour. Cameron and Noel Mason, also of 7B, were participants in the Junior Legacy Public Speaking competition. Their five minute prepared speeches were creative and confident and their two minute impromptu speeches drew from a strong background knowledge of culture and current affairs. Cameron was selected as Regional finalist where he spoke against Year 9 and 10 speakers. His speech about "school" was most entertaining.

Imteaz Ahamed and Kasun Kalutarage of Year 11 entered the prestigious "Sydney Morning Herald Plain English Speaking Award", both performing very well. Imteaz was selected for the Regional Finals on the strength of his eight minute prepared and three minute impromptu speech. A valuable experience for a fine speaker.

Annette Harrison Coordinator

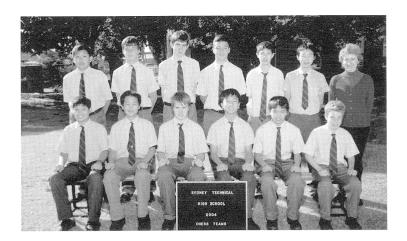


CHESS

This year we entered five chess teams in the Secondary Schools' Chess competition; two seniors, one intermediate and two juniors.

Each team showed their interest, initiative and enthusiasm for the game with some very exciting individual matches played throughout term 2. Congratulations to all boys on the quality of play and their great team effort.

Bronia Engel Coordinator



PARENTS AND CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

The Sydney Technical High School P & C Association in 2004 continued promoting the interests of our school by facilitating close co-operation between parents, citizens, students and teaching staff.

Due to the generosity of our parent community we were again able to provide facilities and equipment for the school. In 2004, the P & C continued funding for the leases of the computer network, provided five prizes and five certificates for each Year 7 and 8 class, paid for the Ambulance Fund renewal, purchased gifts for the Year 12 farewell and have agreed to contribute funding for the proposed covered walkway.

Meetings held on the first Tuesday night of each month were again informative and provided for an open means of communication between the school, staff and the community. Subjects discussed included the new computer reporting system, syllabus changes, students' achievements, debating, school events and school academic results.

The combined meeting with St George Girls High School was a successful evening, fostering the relationship between the two schools. The guest speaker, Dr Andrew Martin, gave an interesting talk entitled 'How to Motivate your Child'.

The Year 7 barbeque was a great success enjoyed by all who attended. A special thanks to the staff, parents and students who volunteered their assistance.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Lynne Irvine, Mr Sam Dando and Mr Greg McNaught and the executive committee of the P & C: Arthur Banos and Ian Newsom – Vice Presidents, Joan Falconer and Katherine Psomas – Secretary, Jo McCheane – Treasurer and Irene Cassim – Finance committee for their attendance and their valuable input at the meetings.

To those who regularly attend the meetings, your continued participation ensures the effectiveness of our P & C Association.

Kathy Andrianakos President

ISCF

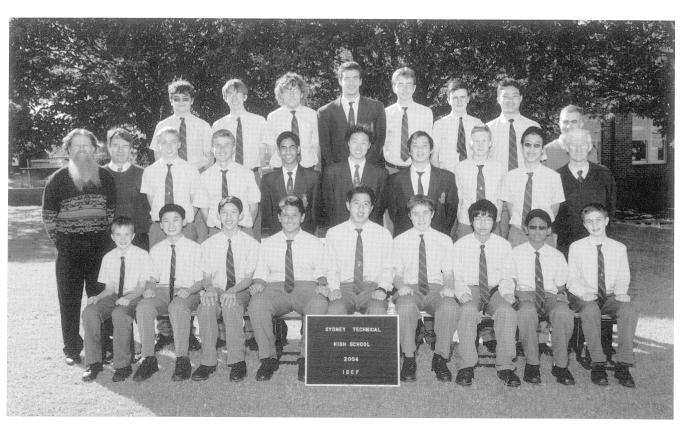
ISCF stands for Inter School Christian Fellowship, and this is exactly what it is. The ISCF is a group of Christian students who are interested in investigating the impact of the Bible on their lives. We meet regularly on Friday lunchtime in room 26, we share lunch and discussion of Biblical issues and current topics.

Early in the year we held a whole school event called the Amazing Race. This was a real hit as about one hundred students began the challenge of finding out facts about the school, some teachers and the Bible in the race to be the first to the end. The boys enjoyed this activity and many students who are not regular attendees joined in. In term 3 we held EXODAY. This was a lunchtime event put on for the school to celebrate how excellent it is to be alive and how much Jesus has done for us. This was organised and funded by the students. Those of you who remember will agree that it was a great lunchtime.

The motto of ISCF worldwide is "to know Christ and to make Him known." This is certainly what we aim for here at Sydney Tech. Jesus Christ is a historical figure and made claims about his heritage and life that no one should disregard. If those claims are true, then we all need to respond to Him in repentance and faith. The challenge is there for all of us to investigate these claims. ISCF is a great place to do just that in a friendly and caring atmosphere. Thanks to the boys who have taken on leadership roles: Joshua Scott, Craig Margetson, Andrew Lilley, Tim Duong, Andrew Murray, James Ward. Thanks to the teachers who come regularly and support the boys. Thanks to Dan Hardy who keeps the fires burning with a great sense of enthusiasm.

It is a privilege that we are free in Australia to read the Bible without fear, as many in other countries around the world have to do so in secret. I both invite and encourage all students to give some thought to visiting ISCF and investigate the reality of a book that has meant so much over so many years.

Martin Riley Coordinator





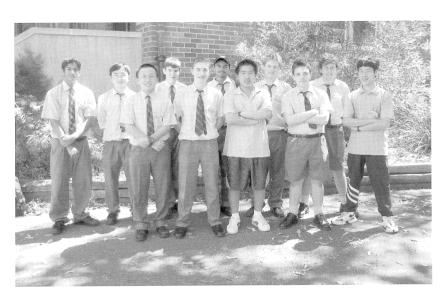
The Links program was established in 2003 to foster closer ties with Hurstville Public School. It fulfilled a district priority in encouraging local transitions to high school, acquainted Hurstville O.C. students with the wonders of Sydney Tech, provided tangible leadership opportunities for our Year 9 students, and promoted interschool collegiality.

Year 9 tutors

Alex Stamenkovic Mark Xie Tim Duong Shiv Sivakumar

Ben Caines Stephen Tan Stefan Morvillo Nicholas Cassim

Cameron Bell Leon Tam Imran Haque James Ward

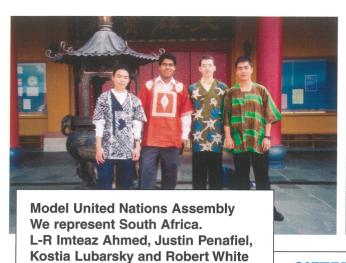














GIFTED AND TALENTED AT TECH



IDP PROGRAM







Winners - Sustainable Living Competition L-R Richard Chung, Winston Yang, Thomas Xu and James Xu



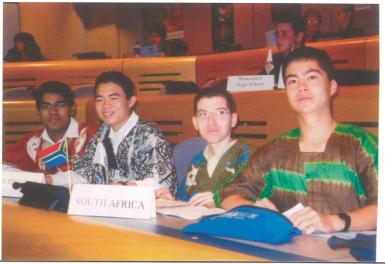
YEAR 12
DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY
MAJOR WORKS







Aaron Charlton, 8M A Knight in Shining Amour



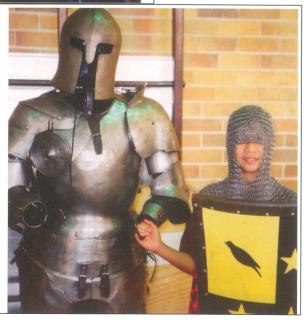
Model United Nations Assembly. We represent South Africa. L-R Imteaz Ahmed, Justin Penafiel, Kostia Lubarsky, Robert White



HISTORY EVENTS 2004



YEAR 8 MEDIEVAL DAY WITH JAMES ADAMS





YEAR 11 WORKSHOP

In Term 3, a workshop on the intricacies of oil painting was conducted for Year11 students with great success. The students benefited from the use of water soluble oils, the envy of art teachers who had to suffer the plight of non-soluble paints. These clever students produced a great variety of apple renditions that reflects their diverse talents.

"SYDNEY ROCKS ON"

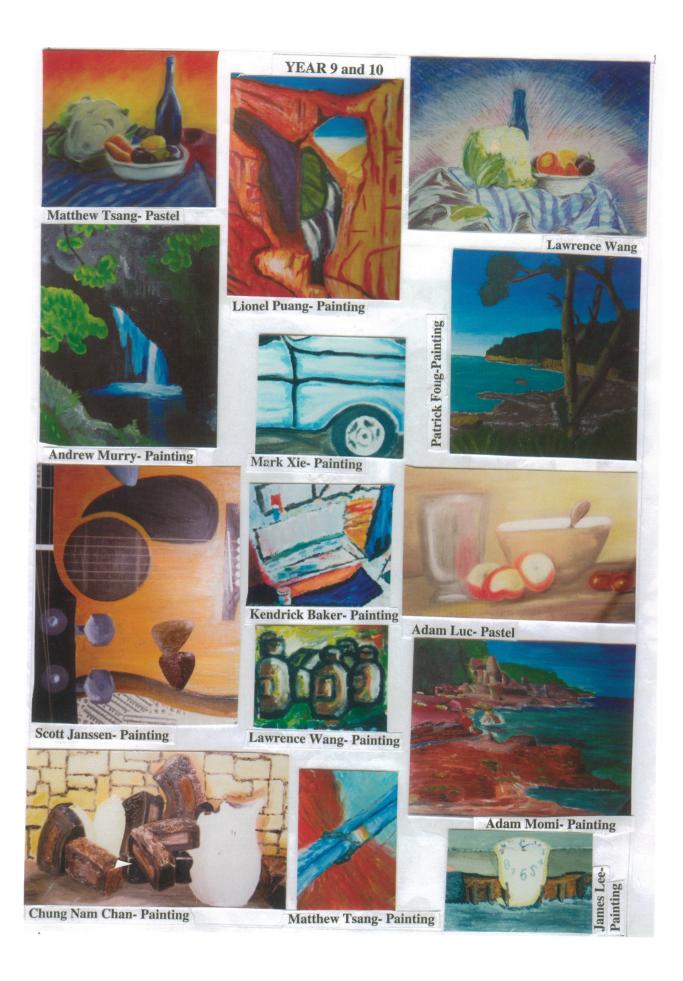
Four of our clever student artists attended the annual "Sydney Rocks On" workshops. This was a special project targeted at talented Year 10 Visual Arts students. The workshops combine an appreciation of the role of heritage in shaping the environmental amenity of our city, as well as developing artistic skills in a challenging and competitive environment. Congratulations to our participants for their selection, participation, and to some for winning their category. They were Scott Janssen – Drawing, Allan Ha – 1st in sculpture, Leon Tam – 1st in drawing and Paul Wallace – 1st in painting and overall!

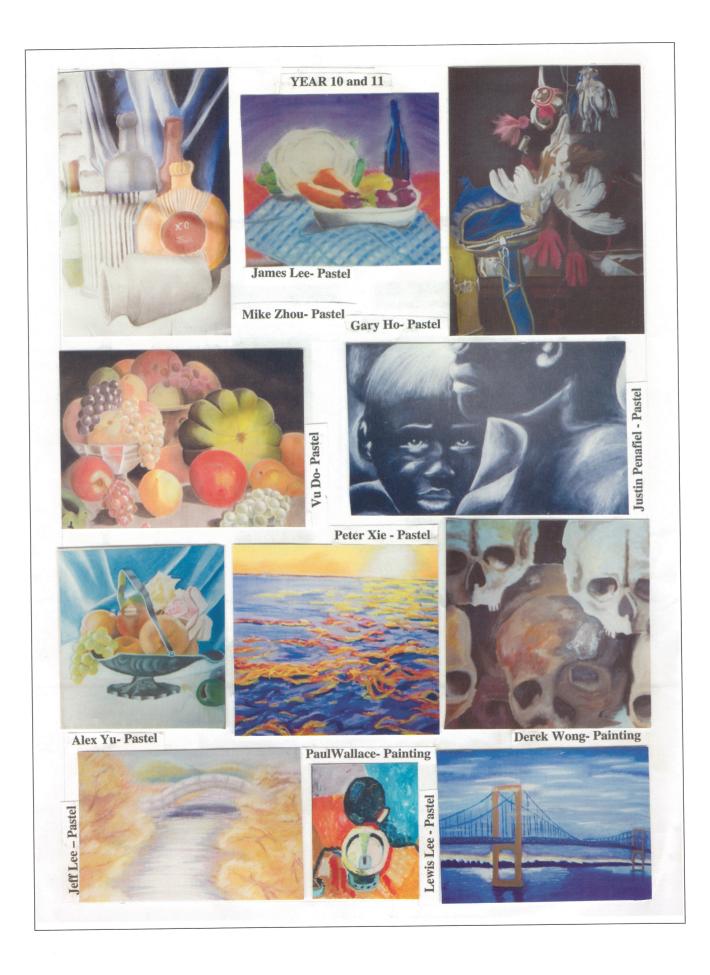


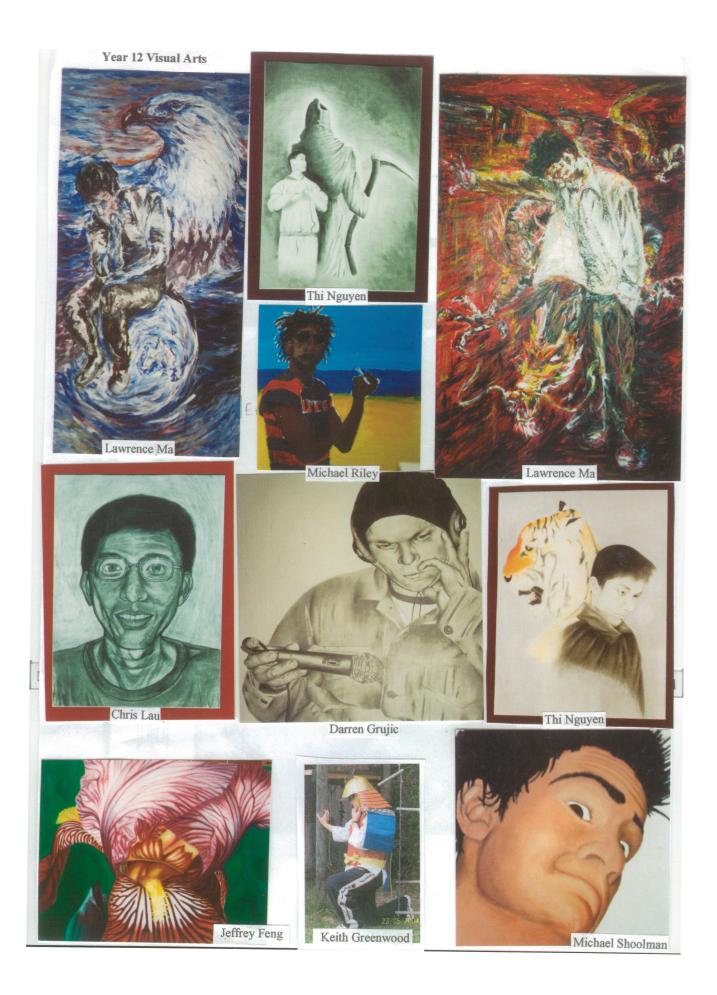
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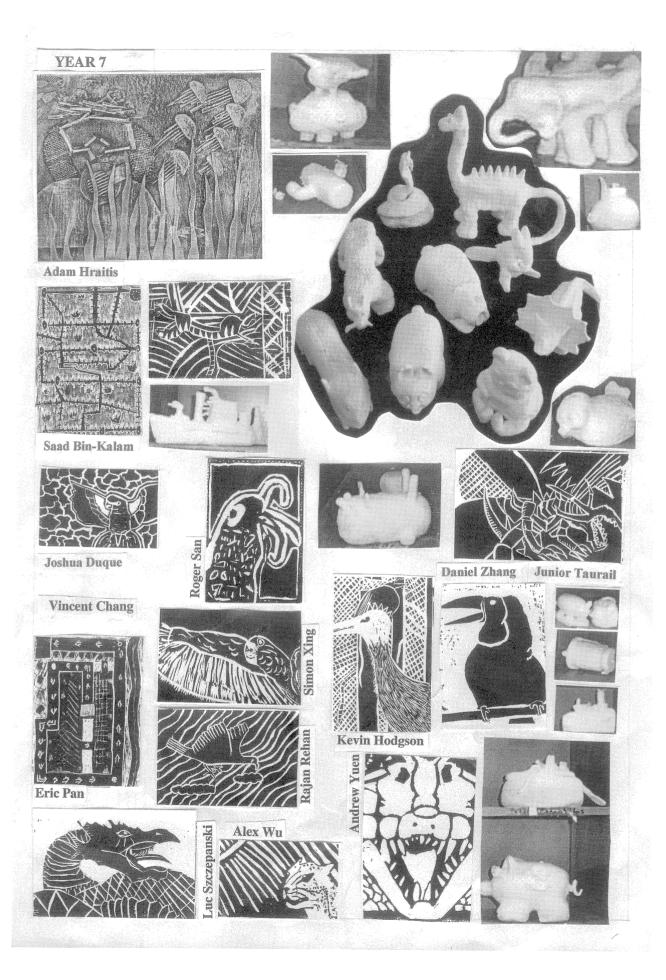
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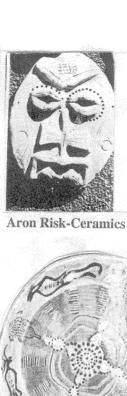


















Billy Ng-Drawing

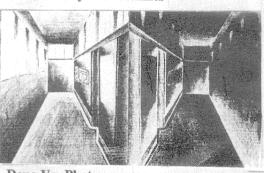
Nathan Chiu-Ceramics







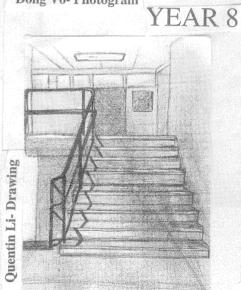
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Henry Avila- Luvsan- Ceramics

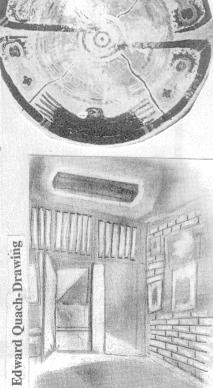
Sam Heath- Ceramics

Dong Vo- Photogram















Leslie Wong - Computer Graphics

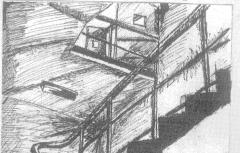
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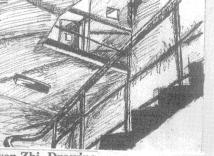


I. JOHN HOWARD, AS Dong Gao - Graphics

Justin Cheong - Computer Graphics



Steven Zhi- Drawing





Andrew Woods - Computer Graphics









Steven Zhi- Drawing





YEAR 12

Year Adviser

Year 12 has passed very quickly for all of us. As can be seen from the following reports from the year's various committees, a great deal has been contributed by our year to the year and the school community. If we were to have added in the work of Year 12 on the SRC and Interact and in other areas it is an impressive record. Though some of you might have thought that I was a little too concerned about striving for your personal best, I have been proud to be associated with you over the last two years.

The House System by Paul Skyllas

The house system was re-introduced to Sydney Tech in 2004 after being abandoned some years ago. The prefect body felt that the athletics, swimming and cross country carnivals as well other inter-school events lacked a spark, and that a house system would add another dimension to such events. We felt that by naming each house after an ex-principal of Sydney Tech, the proud history and traditions of Sydney Tech could be reinforced. In addition, the idea of introducing houses was to provide a new avenue for leadership within the school, to give the carnivals and other inter-school events more of an atmosphere and to increase participation levels in such events. These are things that we believe have been achieved and a lot of this has been thanks to the help of our house captains.

We would like to thank everyone who assisted us, particularly Mr Trotman and Ms Abson who were invaluable in their efforts and support and those students who embraced the system. We hope that in the next couple of years, the leaders of the school will build upon the house system bringing with them new ideas that will make it even more successful.

Yearbook Committee

Efficiency, timing and organisation; three things that the Yearbook Committee lacked BUT the heart and determination were ALWAYS there. We always managed to turn up at our weekly meetings in room 6 and our commitment was strong. Starting behind schedule was not a big positive for us, with the distribution of profiles lagging. One of our key members was losing hope as all seemed lost with less than fifteen profiles being returned after three weeks notice. But our grade pulled through and we received around 140 in two days and hope was pumping through all of us. This was one huge task, but we have done well. Thanks go to the boys: Koniz, Raad, Tran, Itch, Gordon, Hartley, Snigger for their many lunchtime contributions and to Mr McNaught for his tolerance of Year 12 submissions, patience and help through the year. Well done, team!

Jersey Committee by Thomas Koshy

The jersey committee successfully accomplished the purchase of commemorative jerseys for Year 12. Different styles were created and posted on the Intranet for the year's consideration.

The Year 2004 proved to be very controversial as the grade jumped from polyester to cotton. Sandeep's efforts of rigging the results were overcome by Andrew Low's last minute complaints. Eventually the deadlines were met and the final product was achieved. A number of names were rejected in view of the sensitivity of the sensibilities of our middle aged minders.

Special thanks to Mrs Pearce for organising and helping the committee from beginning to end. Thanks also go to Sandeep and the Intranet team, Mr D, Ms Irvine, Skipa and Ron Pearce and thanks to the grade for their cooperation through the year.

Film Committee

The film committee is in the process of collecting footage of Year 12 at the time of writing. The material still has to be organised and processed together. The following are the members of the committee: Mark Arrebola, David Chan, Dean Hammerton, David Kirkpatrick, Bowen He, Paul Tsui, Roy Yn and Jeffrey Feng.

Formal Committee by Andrew Kim

The 2004 Formal Committee was formed in early February. A group of enthusiastic Year 12's dedicated their lunch times to organise an event that will bring hours of fun, dancing and socializing. After narrowing down our many options to just four, an entire year vote took place. The majority had it with just over 120 votes for the most expensive venue, the Four Seasons Hotel, where the 2004 STHS formal will be held. Trust Techies to go for class (Cheungy, Changy, So . . . the list goes on)

After the venue was secured, the little things such as music, food, decorations and tickets were successfully organised by members of the committee. We'll just have to wait until November 15 to create our final memories of our friends and rivals.

Year 12, 2004

Rohan Aggarwal	Patrick Eades	Mark Kim	Lawrence Ma	Shamil Samji	Anthony Tran
Nafi Ali	Sheridan Fang	Nicholas Kipriotis	Paul Madani	Serkan Sandal	Daniel Tran
Mark Arrebola	Justin Farley	David Kirkpatrick	Mario Magalhaes	Thomas Sangster	Thai Tran
Mitchell Barker	Matthew Faulkner	Jonathan Kniznikov	Rayed Mamun	Brendan Scicluna	Paul Tsui
Robert Beaven	Jeffrey Feng	Gordon Kondo	Benjamin Marks	Yasin Shahab	Jordan Valageorgiou
Zaved Bin Kalam	Stuart Fowler	Sandeep Koniki	Matthew McLoughlin	Jonathan Sheahan	Aleksandar Vasilovski
Clarence Brown	Roland Fung	Thomas Koshy	Scott McNaught	William Shen	Jason Vuong
Eric Canbery	Alexander Gibson	Ivan Kraljevic	Andrew Merrick	Paul Shieh	Ankur Wadhwa
John Chan	Mathew Gilmour	Andrew Kwok	Anthony Mew	Michael Shoolman	Elbert Wang
Justin Chan	Owen Grace	Roden Lam	Daniel Miller	Daniel Shute	Charles Wang
Daniel Chang	Keith Greenwood	Phillip Lathourakis	Julian Muscat	Bhavneet Singh	John Watson
Matthew Charters	William Griffiths	Alexander Lau	Aniket Nadkarni	John Skola	Michael West
David Chau	Darren Grujic	Brian Lau	Mike Namini	Paul Skyllas	Ricky Wijaya
Gavin Che	Ashley Haken	Christopher Lau	Des Ng	Michael Sloane	Thomas Williams
Jack Chen	Dean Hammerton	Allan Le	Khoa Nguyen	Mitchell Smart	Marc Wilson
Raman Chen	James Hartley	Andrew Lee	Thi Nguyen	Alex So	Tristan Wilson
Si Chen	Bowen He	William Lee	Richard Nguyen	Ho Pan So	Sunny Wo
Ken Cheng	Matthew Hermann	Kiran Lele	Tony Nguyen	David Starkey	Eric Wong
Jason Cheung	Graeme Hinton	Geoffrey Lew	Thomas O'Keefe	Emmanuel Syrrou	Simon Wong
Brian Chong	Daniel Ho	Charles Li	Raj Patel	Christopher Tam	Dixon Wun
William Chun	Tetsuro Hunter	Colin Li	James Pearce	Isaac Tan	John Xu
Tomislav Cuk	Keerthi Iyengar	Simon Liang	David Phan	James Tang	Jess Young
Christopher Dean	Wei Ji	Wen-Chao Liu	Andrew Phillips	Adrian Taylor	Jimmy Yu
Zayd Deen	Idris Kamara	Stuart Lo	Shane Pratap	Thomas Tepaa	Roy Yu
Paul Dinh	Junda Khoo	Andrew Low	Timothy Quayle	Sam To	Alan Yu
Benjamin Dixon	Andrew Kim	Henry Lu	Venkat Ramakrishnan	Ibrahim Tohidi-	Charles Zhang
Christopher Do	Christopher Kim	David Luff	Michael Riley	Esfahani	Jerry Zhou
Krishneel Dutt	In-Ha Kim	Raymond Ly	Anthony Rush	Adam Tran	Zi Zhu

YFAR 11 CAMP

No one could prepare Year 11 for the revolution that was to come.

School camp.

These two words incite wide and varied sentiment. Luckily, it was as enjoyable as it was anticipated to be. To put it mildly, last year's camp was 'moist'. We woke to find a brilliant summer's day awaiting our arrival at Narrabeen Institute of Sport. Three days of isolation (not even Pizza Hut knew where Narrabeen was) only helped cultivate the intensity associated with 150 young men living together. It was organised chaos.

More often than not the tradition of listening to non-stop lectures was broken, and more time was spent capsizing canoes, scaling cliffs and traversing thin wire in mid air – whilst tied to a partner. Teachers were injured, panic attacks were had, prefects were filmed uncensored – it was a hectic but fully enjoyable time for all. At breakfast, lunch and tea it was a matter of quantity over quality, with mad rushes for seconds and thirds. Growing boys do have their needs after all.

Days of endless hilarity were followed by deep, meaningful seminars from the likes of Uncle Ropey and Uncle Zietsch. The nights saw us progress through presentations on drugs, misogynism, logical puzzles, careers and the odd film or two (though often the local wildlife outside drew more attention than the films). It truly was a learning experience, if not a sleepless one (sorry Mr. Roper).

The final day saw a feisty competition fought between the different seminar groups where everyone raced to finish a series of activities as fast as possible –without leaving any team members behind. People's desperation saw levels of sabotage & cheating that hadn't been seen since the Seoul 1988 Olympics! Naturally, the corrupt were later placed on trial, with the likes of Mr. Melvin being charged with negligence, and Ms. Blake's team penalised for cheating (albeit unfairly!). On that note, many thanks must go to the teachers who sacrificed personal time to 'baby sit' (or so it seems) 150 smelly, sleepy boys – Mrs. Golledge, Mrs. Davis, Ms. Abson, Ms. Blake, Mr. Roper, Mr. Owens, Mr. Zietsch, Mr. Melvin, Mr. Mullholland and of course, Uncle Werner. We couldn't have done it without you.

The Year 11 camp is often the final opportunity to bid farewell to our junior ways. A rousing farewell it most definitely was. Year 11 Camp will surely be remembered fondly for years beyond the rigours of the HSC.

12/11/11/2001	YEAR	11	2004
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Imteaz Ahamed	Victor George	Cham Lai	Jonathan Ng	David Shi	Truman Wang
Rafi Ahmed	Luke Hamblen	Wal Lam	Julian Ngo	Wei Shi	Robert West
Nicholas Andrianakos	Stuart Holt	Ivan Lau	Anthony Nguyen	Campbell Simpson	Jason Whang
Jeremy Bastow	Anthony Hough	Hector Lau	Ben Nguyen	Andrew Song	Tom Wheeler
Khọi Bui	Jimmy Hu	Da Song Lee	Laurence Nguyen	Archit Soni	Robert White
Phi Bui-Mai	Jonathon Hua	Jeff Lee	Nathan Nguyen	Vignesh Sriram	Andrew Wibawa
Samuel Burtt	Hua Huang	Lewis Lee	Tim Nguyen	Jeff Su	Danny Wong
Michael Cassidy	Henry Huang	Simon Lee	Tuan Viet Nguyen	Zhong Sun	Kenneth Wong
William Chen	Michael Huang	Vincent Lee	Marcus North	Sidd Suresh Babu	Anthony Wong
Henry Chiem	Freddy Hui	Andrew Leung	James Northwood	Gabriel Tan	Samson Wong
Andy Chisholm	James Hutchinson	Ronald Leung	Elvin Ong	Roy Tan	Padraic Wood
Simon Chiu	Hubert Huynh	James Li	Paul Oscar	Henry Tang	Christopher Wu
Keith Chow	David Inglis	Kenny Lieu	David Otto	Keith Tang	Timothy Wu
Imran Chowdhury	Brian Ip	Jeff Lin	Ruyi Pan	Asis Tewari	Con Xenos
Manuel Christie	Joseph Istiphan	Jason Lin	Peter Pavlakis	Kevin Thambyrajah	Harry Xiao
Richard Chung	Stuart Jiang	Laurence Liu	Justin Penafiel	Andrew Thompson	Peter Xie
Rowan Clarke	Joe Jin	Harry Lo	Bennett Piamchaliaw	Simon Thuyen	James Xu
Julien Cooper	Dean Kaladelfos	Filip Lovely	Julian Poh	Henry Truong	Thomas Xu
Bryan Dai	Kasun Kalutarage	Kostia Lubarsky	Greg Psarakis	Charlie Tsang	Jack Yan
Petros Darnakis	Kevin Kan	Steven Ma	Nicholas Psomas	Edmund Tse	Winston Yang
Christopher Davies	Sameer Karve	Stephen Mak	David Qi	Ben Urwin	Daniel Yeung
Benjamin De Cruz	Junde Khoo	Craig Margetson	Nathan Quan	Ani Vemulpad	Jesse Young
Timothy Dinjar	Pawel Kidon	Peter Mikhail	Roshan Ramoo	Karthik Venkatesh	Ming Yuen
Jack Dong	James Kilford	Juan Moya	Michael Rose	Gajan Vijayanathan	Sebastian Zentilomo
Daniel Fernandes	Andrew Kim	Alex Ng	Omar Samad	Kenny Vincent	Kim Zhou
	Matthew Kwok	Jonathan CB Ng	Joshua Scott	Vlad Vladimirov	Steven Zographakis
	Terence Kwong		Kevin Shang	Elliot Vonthethoff	
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YEAR 10

It only seems like yesterday that 150 nervous, yet excited, boys entered the hall for their first assembly at Tech and here we are now, four years later, at the end of the junior years as the boys don their white shirts, senior ties and blazers and start on the long and possibly daunting journey that lies ahead of them – the HSC years! Looking back on this year it certainly has been busy and rewarding for many of our year 10 students.

We had a number of boys who were accelerated in HSC subjects for the first time and we wish them every success as they await their results. Congratulations to the boys who were elected as house captains this year as the school re-introduced the house system: Ryan Chow, Nathan Low, Arnab Ahmed and Scott Robertson. Twelve of our boys attended the Youth Leadership forum, the Essay Skills seminars were also run after school, the Canberra excursion was, as always, a great time away for all involved and Term 3 saw all Year 10 participate in a Study Skills day held at school. There was also two days of Peer Support training late in Term 4 but no doubt the highlight was, after sitting for the School Certificate exams in November, the Year 10 Jamberoo excursion which proved to be a great day and lots of fun!

My best wishes to all of the boys as they await their School Certificate results. May you all have a safe and happy Christmas break and I look forward to entering into the last two years of your schooling with you in 2005!

Pam Abson Year Adviser



Youth Leadership Forum

On the 21st May a small group of Year 10 students, along with groups from 50 other schools, attended the Youth Leadership Forum at the Wesley Conference Centre. This was an excellent opportunity for our year's budding leaders. We were spoken to by 6 motivational speakers from very different areas. They were given an hour with us to speak and answer our questions. Most spoke to us about setting our goals high and never losing hope. Question time was a very interesting experience. Guy Russo, the CEO of McDonalds, Australia, was asked a lot of questions like "What's really in your soft serve ice cream?" and "Why did the price of 30c cones rise to 40c?". Unfortunately he had to leave before the audience was fully satisfied with his answers. Brendan Nelson also was asked difficult questions about the rising HECS price in Universities. Overall this was a very insightful and enjoyable day for everyone.

By James Ward

Essay Skills

The essay skills course was held over three weeks for two hours after school each Tuesday. About twenty Year 10 students attended the course. During this time we were taught a wide range of skills that are useful to essay writing – everything from knowing how to classify an essay question into one of three categories, to learning how to use a variety of words. Apart from simply being taught, we also wrote part of a practice essay to see how well we were learning. This was to be based on any book that we had studied in English, and everyone appeared to do very well in this, showing just how useful the lessons had been. During the course we also worked our way through an 'Essay Skills' booklet, which covered an even broader range of topics than we studied in the course. Overall, the essay skills course not only covered some of the basics that people still needed to work on, but also introduced a few new methods that we had never really thought about before. In this way, I'm sure that it proved very helpful to all who participated.

By Andrew Murray



YEAR 9

During the first week of term 2, Year 9 participated in a study skills day at Ramsgate RSL. When we arrived we were ushered upstairs into the main conference room and informed of the day's activities. Each student received a study skills work booklet and participated in a series of seminars and activities. These comprised of learning styles, time management, study skills and first aid. There was also a well organised games session that boys could participate in and unwind with after the informative sessions.

The RSL club put on a great morning tea and lunch with plenty of food which satisfied us until we could eat no more.

The year is to be congratulated for their conduct on the day and special thanks go to Ms. Irvine, Mr. McNaught, Mr. Zietsch, Mr. Cranston,

Mr. Bellamy, Mr. Riley, Mr. Simmonds, Mr. Gowan, Mr. Graham, Mr. Cooper and Ms. Abson for running each of the study skills sessions on the day.

Year 9 will also plan to spend 3 great days in term 4 at the Great Aussie Bush Camp where they will participate in a range of fun activities such as the giant slide, giant swing and night commando (spotlight) to name a few.

Thanks for a great year guys,

Mr. Stokes (Year 9 Adviser)







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Tamer Abdelkader Aguiar Wayne Allotta Raymond Ang Daniel Antonelli Michael Au Hai Bacon Luke Beckmann Toby Cao Steven Cao Yang Carolin Jaryd Chalouhi John Chan Nathan Chan Patrick Chen Bo Cheong Justin Cheung Boris Chew Clement Chin Gregory Chouster Uri Chung Sam Cooper Edwin Davidov Dmitri Devoic Josip Diment James

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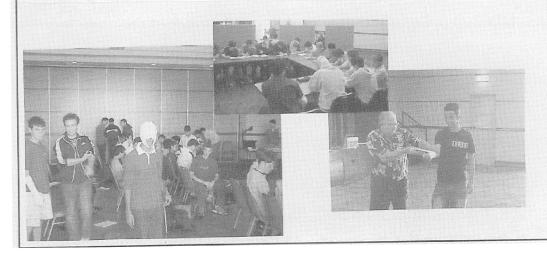
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SUMMER SPORT

Sydney Tech was the dominant force in summer grade sport, winning the school championship yet again. In all this school entered 37 grade sports teams in summer, and we were successful in the following competitions:

FINALISTS

Premiers	Runners-Up
1 st Grade Cricket 2 nd grade Blue Cricket	13 Maroon cricket 15A Basketball
14B Basketball 13A Basketball Junior Baseball	15B Basketball 13B Basketball
Open B Volleyball	
A1 Squash A1 Table Tennis	

WINTER SPORT

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 forty grade sports teams in winter, and we capped off a memorable year by being runners-up in the winter schools grade championship. It should be noted that we were represented in eighteen grand finals – that's almost half of the teams we entered – out of the twenty four grand finals held!

FINALISTS

Premiers	Runners-Up
1 st grade soccer	
13A soccer	15A soccer
A grade tennis	15B soccer
B grade tennis	B grade table tennis
15A tennis	C-grade table tennis
14A tennis	D2 table tennis
13A tennis	14B softball
A grade table tennis	2 nd grade soccer
D1 table tennis	
14A softball	
Open baseball (No 2 team)	

KNOCKOUT TEAMS

I am pleased to inform you that our knockout table tennis team of Steven Ma, Roy Yu, Des Ng and Garry Chan were runners up in the final of the CHS statewide knockout – a remarkable achievement that earned them sportsman of the week for June 23rd. In addition the Turner Cup Under 15 soccer team were narrowly defeated in the regional final by Endeavour Sports.

Our other teams reached the following rounds of their Competitions:

Cricket Volleyball Open Basketball Rugby League Table Tennis Water Polo 15 years Basketball	Round 2 REGIONAL FINALISTS Round 2 Round 1 CHS Runners-Up Round 1 Round 1	Tennis Open Soccer Soccer (Under 15) Baseball Squash Hockey Softball	Round 2 Round 2 REGIONAL FINALISTS Round 1 Round 1 Round 2 Round 4
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ST GEORGE UNDER 14 CRICKET CUP

For the inaugural running of this competition, run by the St George D.C.C., Sydney Tech entered two teams – one an under 14 and the other an under 13. Although both suffered defeats in the opening games of the Arthur Morris Cup, they went on through repechage to contest the final of the Norm O'Neill Shield, in which our no. 1 team defeated our no. 2 team on turf at Harold Fraser Oval. The Principal, Ms Irvine, received the trophy from ex-Australian captain Brian Booth, at a ceremony held after the game at Hurstville Oval.

SPORTSMAN OF THE WEEK (Since last journal):

15/10/03 22/10/03	Niksa Stanisic Nick Kipriotis Nick Andrianakos	15 Basketball NSW All Schools Athletics
29/10/03 5/11/03 12/11/03 2004	Luke Camilleri Luke Hamblen Tom Tepaa	3 rd grade blue cricket Davidson Shield Cricket Open A Volleyball
4/2/04 11/2/04	Luke Hamblen Nathan Low	Regional Cricket
	Michael Shoolman Marcus Low	Swimming
18/2/04	Matthew Gibson	2 nd Blue Cricket
3/3/04	Scott McNaught	1 st grade cricket
10/3/04	Andrew Bull	13A cricket
(Jesse Hanna)
(Marcus Low)Zone Age Swimming
17/3/04 (Kurt Forrester)Champions
(Steven Su)
(Michael Shoolman)
12/5/04	James Northwood	Regional Hockey
19/5/04	Raymon Sedrak	14 years Zone Cross Country Champion
	Ezra James	16 years Zone Cross Country Champion
26/5/04	Steven Cao	14 years Rugby League
9/6/04	Idris Kamara	Athletics
(Marcus Low)
16/6/04 (Shane Drinkwater)Area Cross Country
(Ezra James)
{	Steven Ma	}
23/6/04{	Gary Chan	} CHS Table Tennis Runners-Up
{	Roy Yu	}
{	Des Ng	}
21/7/04	Roman Pillay	Athletics
11/8/04	Dominic Cheung	Table Tennis
25/8/04	Minh Phan	15A Tennis
1/9/04	Alex Vasilovski	1 st grade Soccer
TEAM OF THE W		

TEAM OF THE WEEK (since last journal):

15/10/03 22/10/03 29/10/03	13B Basketball 13A Basketball Open B Volleyball	12/5/04 19/5/04 26/5/04	Open B2 Tennis 14B Soccer 1 st grade Hockey 14 Rugby League
5/11/03 12/11/03	A1 Table Tennis 1 st grade A Volleyball	9/6/04 16/6/04 23/6/04	13B Soccer 13 Rugby League Junior B Softball
2004 11/2/04 18/2/04	13B Basketball 2 nd grade blue cricket	21/7/04 28/7/04	15 years Soccer Open A Baseball 13A Soccer
3/3/04 10/3/04	13A Basketball 13 Maroon cricket	4/8/04 11/8/04	2 nd grade Rugby League Open B Baseball Junior B Softball
17/3/04	Swimming relay teams	18/8/04	14A Softball
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SCHOOL AGE CHAMPIONS

Age 12 years	Swimming Jesse Hanna	Cross Country Evan Vallis	Athletics Evan Vallis Jason Nguyen
13 years 14 years 15 years 16 years	Steve Trinh Marcus Low Kurt Forrester Nathan Low	Justin Hazelton Raymon Sedrak Joshua McKinnon Ezra James	Harmeet Singh Roman Pillay Adam Momi Nicholas Andrianakos
Opens	Michael Shoolman	Idris Kamara	Ezra James Idris Kamara



POSITIONS AT ZONE CARNIVALS

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RECORDS BROKEN AT ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

	EVENT	Age	Old	New Record
Nick Kipriotis Nick Kipriotis Raymon Sedrak	Discus Shot put 1500m	17+ 17+ 14	record 37.02 14.42 4.57.94	41.42 16.37m 4.52.29
Roman Pillay Roman Pillay Roman Pillay Alex Stamenkovic Nicholas	200m Long Jump 100m 100m Javelin	14 14 14 15 16	25.00 5.51m 12.00 11.50 39.05	24.72 5.56m 11.94 EQUAL 43.69
Andrianakos Nicholas Andrianakos	Shot Put	16	15.21	16.23
	RELAY RELAY RELAY	14 15 16	50.27 48.00 47.35	50.03 EQUAL 46.63





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16 years Opens	Steven Su Chris Bartels Michael Shoolman	Ezra James	

ZONE REPRESENTATIVES

These boys represented the St George Zone at the Sydney East Area Carnival in the sports mentioned.

Michael	Antonelli
Kenrick	Blaker
Mitchell	Brown
Arden	Burrell
Thomas	Campbell
Gary	Chan
Greg	Chin
Tomislav	Cuk
Anthony	Douskou
Shanbe	Drinkwater
Kurt	Forrester
Tony	Gu
Jesse	Hanna
Dean	Kaladelfos
Marcus	Low
Nathan	Low
Antoinne	Rosse
Jonathon	Sheahan
Michael	Shoolman

Smith

Su

Tam

Trinh

Vallis

Vallis

Yeung

Swimming

Justin

Steven

William

Steve

Evan

John

Daniel

Serje Kenrick Arden Charlie Tim Shane Kurt Jonathan Anthony Ezra Marcus Joshua Ray Shiv Steven David Evan John Robert Adrien

Cross Country Baturan Blaker Burrell Dao Dinjar Drinkwater Forrester Gounaris Hough James Low McKinnon Sedrak Sivakumar Su Szanto Vallis Vallis White

Wu

Athletics

Daniel

Steven

Nicholas	Andrianakos
John	Chalouhi
Charlie	Dao
Shane	Drinkwater
Matthew	Faulkner
Jonathan	Gounaris
Gary	Но
Ezra	James
Scott	Janssen
Idris	Kamara
Nick	Kipriotis
Yuan	Lee
Marcus	Low
Craig	Mattern
Edmond	Mazid
Joshua	McKinnon
Matthew	McLoughlin
Geordie	McSullea
Adam	Momi
Alex	Ng
Jason	Nguyen
Roman	Pillay
Greg	Psarakis
Scott	Robertson
Raymon	Sedrak
Daniel	Shute
Shiv	Sivakumar
Alex	Stamenkovic
Sidd	Suresh-Babu
David	Szanto
Andre	Szczepanski
Ibrahim	Tohidi-Esfahini
Johnny	Tran
Chris	Tzortxis
Evan	Vallis
Tim	Yang



Senior Cross Country



School Swimming



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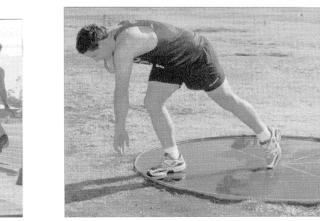
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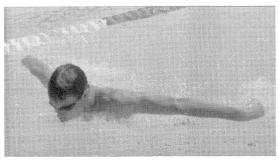
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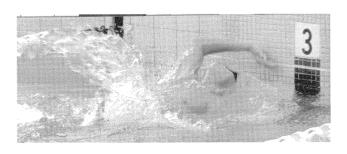
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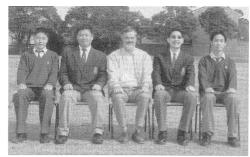








NSWCHSSA Table Tennis Knockout 2004



L-R S Ma, D Ng, Mr G Hughes, R Yu, G Chan

Metropolitan East Representatives

WINNERS OF BEST AND FAIREST FOR GRADE TEAMS 2004

Soccer	1 st Grade 2 nd Grade A 2 nd Grade B 2 nd grade C 15A 15B 14A 14B	Pawel Kidon Matthew Gibson George Sclavos Dimitri Davidov Shane Drinkwater Martin Mock	Cricket	1 st grade 2 nd grade Maroon 2 nd grade Blue 3 rd grade maroon 13 Maroon 13 Blue	Matthew Gilmour Omar Samad William Lam Adrian Lalchere Anosh Siva Najeeb Aftab
	13A 13B	Jason Stamenkovic Craig Strong	Basketball	1 st grade 2 nd grade 15A	Kenny Lieu Ben Marks Simon Thuyen
Rugby League	Open	Stuart Holt		15B	William Webb
	14 years 13 years	Geordie McSullea Anthony Douskou		14A 14B 13A	Vincent Teng Galen Lewis Matthew Bineth
Tennis	Open A1 Open A2	Des Ng Ivan Lau		13B	
	Open A3 Open B1 Open B2 15A	Roge Kuo Matthew Kwok Gabriel Tan Aaron Ngan	Volleyball	Open A Open B 15 years	
	15B 15C 14A 14B 14C	Andrew Murray Ying Chan Kevin Ng Anuj Kumar Kostan Banos	Touch	Open A Open B Junior A Junior B	Daniel Shute Ibrahim Tohidi-Esfahini Daniel Fernandes Allan Vo
	13A 13B	Justin Hazelton Gavin Ng	Baseball	Junior	Adam Momi
Softball	13C Junior A Junior B	David Baker Wayne Aguiar Nicholas Huang	Squash	A1 A2 B1	David Starkey
		_	Table	A1	
Baseball	Open A Open B	Luke Hamblen Kenrick Blaker	Tennis	A2 B1 B2	Henry Luo
Table Tennis	A1 A2	Steven Ma Thomas Xu		C D	Johnson Chu Young Li
	B1 B2 C1	Patrick Fong Kurt Forrester Dominic Cheung Ware Kuo	Mini Soccer	A-grade B grade	Aaron Charlton Quentin Li
	C2 D1 D2	Andrew Yuen	Water	Senior	Michael Shoolman
Hockey		James Northwood	Polo	Junior	Marcus Low

SUMMER SPORT

BASEBALL - JUNIOR 14 - PREMIERS

This seemed to be a long season! However, it was also a very successful one with no losses (or draws). Needless to say, Tech dominated the season and the finals, to finish off by beating Kingsgrove 13-1. All in all, we had heaps of fun, and I am going to miss seeing some of the members, who must now pass into a higher age bracket.

We had an amazing number of excellent pitchers this season, like Andrew, Adam, Shaun and star rookie Shane who helped the team to be so dominant. Out batting seemed to improve with confidence every week, and our lead off batter. Philip never failed to get around the bases! Yuto was a little less kamikaze in his base running mentality this year, and managed it all in easy style. When Andrew Murray hit the ball it stayed hit. Great batting also by Adam, Andrew, Shaun, Shane, Nathan, Ray, Sherman and Jacob. Our fielding was the most erratic part of our game, where the team would appear to stumble from one innings and then achieve a triple out play in the next. Ray and Sherman tried hard on 1st base and Phil and Shane were deadly at shortstop. Again, so many members did a great job catching, that the team looked multifunctional. Steady in the field were James and Tom, who weren't ever stressed out, when one of the opposition managed to hit the ball out of the diamond.

Congratulations gentlemen, another excellent season. Well done.

Mr Edwards - coach



Front Row (L-R) Y Nakayama, S Drinkwater, A Momi, S Lam, R Sedrak Back Row (L-R) Mr Edwards, J Ocsona, T Gibson, A Murray

BASKETBALL – 1ST GRADE

The team went through a rebuilding phase this season with Niksa and Soner joining the team from lower age groups. Overall it was a successful season with the team making it through to the semi finals where we were beaten by a much bigger Blakehurst team.

Mr Werner - coach

BASKETBALL - 2ND GRADE

Throughout the season the boys acquitted themselves well against opposition that was stronger than in previous years. Unfortunately, we were beaten by a point in a controversial semi final game against Belmore.

The large squad made up mainly of Year 11 students worked well together. Many were playing organised basketball for the first time and this experience will hopefully show in next season's competition.

Mr Werner - coach



Front Row (L-R) L Lee, V Lee, A Leung, B Nguyen, K Lieu Back Row (L-R) Mr Werner, D Wun, C Tam, D Shi, J Yan, R Tan.

BASKETBALL - 15A RUNNERS-UP

Another season of thrills and skills, leading again to a place in the final. The team impressed me in every game with their energy and effort, skills and athleticism, especially Charlie and Simon. We played thirteen games with only two losses, including the final against Kingsgrove North 20-

Mr Parrish - coach



Front Row (L-R) C Tsang, P Oscar, V Sriram, S Thuyen
Back Row (L-R) R Chow, Mr Parrish, T Low

BASKETBALL - 15B RUNNERS-UP

This team quickly established themselves as the team to beat in their competition. Particularly impressive were their sportsmanship and enjoyment of their games. Again, thirteen games played with only two losses, including the final against James Cook 27-40.

Mr Parrish - coach



Front Row (L-R) P Lau, H Truong, N Song, S Wang, P Jang Back Row (L-R) Mr Parrish, E Yeun, W Webb, S Tan

BASKETBALL - 14A

With new faces in the team from last season, we knew that we needed time to "glue" together. We proved to ourselves that we were a strong team when we had a couple of convincing wins over strong teams. During the mid season we suffered a couple of losses and this gave us a "wake up call" and showed us that we weren't unstoppable. We made the semi finals as expected, but unfortunately we lost to Kingsgrove (who ended up being the premiers).

Martin Nguyen – captain



Front Row (L-R) L Quach, A Stamenkovic, G Lewis, G Shieh Back Row (L-R) D Chellappa, A El-Khouri, K Fung, D Davidov

BASKETBALL - 14B - PREMIERS

They started the season with a whole new team and went through the normal season very convincingly and learnt more with each game. They were a very strong and capable side with many talented players. With confidence coming into the finals they won the semi final convincingly and managed a strong win in the grand final due to their hard work and commitment.

Ms Haitidis - coach



Front Row (L-R) P Petrohilos, J Vu, M Nguyen, M Tjaja, C Lieu.
Back Row (L-R) N Galanopoulos, Y Lee, A Gudas, V Teng

BASKETBALL - 13A - PREMIERS

What a successful year for the 13'As team in basketball. Our all-star cast performed extremely well during the 2003-2004 season and they made Sydney Tech proud. Our team consisted of many talented people - Johnny Tran, Geordie McSullea, Luke Bacon, Matthew Bineth, Jay Chong, John Vallis, Francis Viray, Francis Zhou, Ben Chau, Toby and last of all our wonderful coach, Mr Diaz. Everyone played a role in our trip to the finals. We had a victorious season with only one very close loss to Canterbury Boys, our toughest opponent. They had boys so tall and sturdy; it was hard to believe they were thirteen or younger. It was inevitable that we would play this team in the finals and when we did, we put up a good fight. The first half was very tight but in the end the better team prevailed. Yes, Sydney Tech won the championship game. But the great thing about our team was that week after week we showed great sportsmanship skills, as well as manly behaviour and finally we showed that SydneyTech is a wonderful school. And after this season you can see the vast improvements in all of the boys due to determination and practice. What a triumphant season!

Johnny Tran - 8M



Front Row (L-R) J Tran, J Vallis, L Bacon, T Beckmann, F Zhou Back Row (L-R) Mr Diaz, F Virag, B Chau, M Bineth, G McSullea

BASKETBALL - 13B RUNNERS-UP

The 13B's of 2003 were a team of warriors. We had not lost a single game. Our closest game was against Canterbury, where we won by only one shot. Every other game we smashed the other teams effortlessly. In many games we defeated the opposition leaving them with no points at all. Every Wednesday we won, qualifying us in to the finals against Canterbury, our closest match opponents. Throughout the game the scores were very close, as Canterbury was a skilled team. It

was the last minute. We were one point ahead. Until they shot, the ball went in the hoop and it was all over. I think that our team was a very strong side. We showed great teamwork and skill throughout the season and it was unfortunate that we lost the final in such circumstances.

Roman Pillay - Team Captain

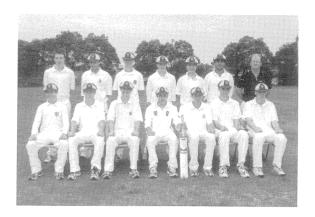


Front Row (L-R) D Perkovic, J Demos, R Pillay, K Ng, S Kuzmanovski Back Row (L-R) Mr Diaz, M Lee, N Hallasso, E Quach, C Miller

CRICKET - 1ST GRADE - PREMIERS

First there was Sydney Tech, then there was daylight. The gap between this team and all of the other schools in the zone was immense, and so it proved to be in the final where Tech amassed a huge total only to dismiss the opposition for a very low score. The team had a good mix of talent and there were few weaknesses. Unfortunately, when it came to the Davidson Shield 2003 knockout our batting frailties were exposed in round 4 where we encountered Sydney Boys High. Once our top order was gone we were unable to recover, and were easily defeated. All boys contributed over the course of the year and as always conducted themselves in impeccable style. Congratulations to Matthew Gilmour on being the player of the vear. Besides his undoubted talent with the bat, his bowling has come on tremendously and he is a fine leader. With assistance from Matthew Faulkner and Tom Sangster, he controlled this side exceptionally and ran it as a cohesive and powerful team. These boys all leave the school this year and I trust they will take with them fine memories of their time at Tech.

Mr Trotman - coach



Front Row (L-R) T Sangster, M McLoughlin, R Beaven, M Gilmour, M Faulkner, S Fowler, P Eades Back Row (L-R) L Hamblen, C Dean, J Pearce, S McNaught, R White, K Kaluterage, Mr Trotman

CRICKET – DAVIDSON SHIELD 2004 COMPETITION

In the first round the boys thrashed Heathcote High by nearly 100 runs. Daniel Fernandes top scored but most batsmen contributed something. William Lam used the drizzly, overcast conditions to deliver an opening spell of swing bowling even Sir Richard Hadlee would've been proud of: 6 for 4 from 6 overs, clean bowling five batsmen and trapping the sixth lbw. Heathcote was gutted.

In the second round, we contained Rose Bay Secondary College to a reasonable total but were then gutted ourselves by their pace bowlers, this time losing by nearly 100 runs. But the adventurous big hitting by our no. 11 batsman, William Lam, provided an entertaining end to the campaign.

Mr Melvin - coach

CRICKET – 2ND GRADE BLUE PREMIERS

The consistent Blue's team was captained by Matthew Gibson. The team's bowling and fielding were its strengths. Best & Fairest William Lam's left-arm swing bowling ripped through the batting of rival teams. He was well supported by Gulrez Khan's pace and bounce and James Hong's medium pace. The fielders ably supported the bowlers although often weren't needed as William had the knack of clean bowling most of his opponents.

In the final against Kingsgrove North on a wet, low-bouncing pitch at Beaumont Park, patient innings by the team's youngest players, Khusheev Singh and David Simmonds, saw a competitive total set.

As usual, the boys did the rest in the field. Congratulations to all players for a well-deserved premiership win.

Mr Melvin - coach



Front Row (L-R) I Wu, B Caines, M Gibson, J Hong, I Huq Back Row (L-R) Mr Melvin, W Lam, K Blaker, S Sivakumar, R Chowdhury Absent: G Khan, A Sukumar, K Singh, D Simmonds, R Sardana.

CRICKET - 2ND GRADE MAROON

These fine young men played their cricket with enthusiasm and sportsmanship. They endured a lot of ups and downs during the competition, but each time they showed determination in order to recover.

In their match against Blakehurst, they faced scintillating bowling which forced them to bat a second innings. Stern batting was needed and achieved to fight off the worst of losses. This was their finest hour. I remain proud to be associated with them.

Mr Ward – coach



Front Row (L-R) P Lathourakis, A Soni, R Chen, K Lubarsky, J Poh Back Row (L-R) Mr Ward, S Vijayanathan, Y Shahab, S Wo, J Bin-Kalam

CRICKET - 3RD GRADE MAROON

The team performed consistently through the season to more than hold their own against older opposition. Wayne Aguiar, Steven Faulkner, Ben Newsom and Avinash Singh made the most significant contributions to the team's success. All players are to congratulated on their efforts and sportsmanship.

Mr Short - coach



Front Row (L-R) A Singh, A Lalchere, B Newsom, S Faulkner, A Wong, J Hossain Back Row (L-R) Mr Short, W Aguiar, C Muir, T Shepherd, A Mujala

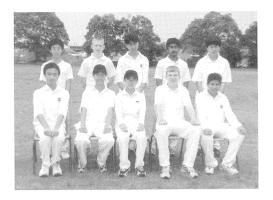
CRICKET - 3RD GRADE BLUE

Results in matches were mixed – a few good wins indicating the potential of the team, which was probably not fully realised.

A number of players including Luke Camilleri and Noel Foong made useful contributions with the bat. Mohammed Iqbal, Chetan Koniki and Tammam Abbas showed potential as bowlers. Steven Cao showed grim determination and worked hard at improving his game.

We did not make the finals but, overall, many of the players showed the potential to improve and do well in future seasons.

Mr Landsberger - coach



Front Row (L-R)B Cheung, J Lu, N Foong, S Janssen, L Camilleri Back Row (L-R) K Xu, J Keevers, D Han, M Iqbal, D Truong

CRICKET – 13 YEARS MAROON RUNNER-UP

It was a disappointing end to the season being soundly defeated by Hurstville in the final. At the beginning of the season our batting showed consistency with Tim Lay, Anuk Walgamage and Anosh Sivashanmugarajah all making good contributions, but when these players failed we had trouble making a competitive score. The bowling was headed by Bruce Yeung who consistently produced good figures.

The highlight of the season was the one run win against Blakehurst, thanks to the last wicket partnership between Johnson Nguyen and Dong Uong, which gave us our place in the final. The boys were disappointed with their effort in the final, but overall they had an enjoyable season. I hope to see all of them try out for a cricket team this coming season.

Mr Hempel - coach



Front Row (L-R) A Walgamuage, A Bull, T Lay, A Sivashanmugarajah, A Iskander, R Tsang Back Row (L-R) Mr Hempel, A Almedia, J Dhingra, D Uong, A Yuen

CRICKET - 13 YEARS BLUE

The boys commenced the season with four straight wins and were looking definite premiership contenders. However, they were narrowly beaten in the final few games of the season and were denied a place in the finals. Najeeb Aftab showed a lot of ability in leading the side and appears to have a good future in the game. The boys enjoyed their first year in grade cricket and hopefully they will continue to represent their school in sport.

Mr Hayes - coach



Front Row (L-R) A Barathan, J He, N Aftab, N Chiu, J Khoh, T Wand Back Row (L-R) Mr Hayes, T Lee, R D'Angleo, D Papps, S Ho, K Banos.

MINI SOCCER - A GRADE

The team, captained by Dimitri Prodromou, displayed considerable talent and great sportsmanship throughout the season. Aaron Charlton's skilful goal-keeping and the dexterity and speed of players like Ivan Luburich, Todd Da Silva and Bond Kam provided some tough competition for our opponents. Although the team did not proceed to the finals, the boys always put in a fine effort and are to be commended on their great teamwork. A most enjoyable season - well done boys!

Ms K Cross - coach



Front Row (L-R) A Charlton, I Lubaric, T Da Silva, N Grasevski, Mr Reynolds Back Row (L-R) A Challa, D Prodromou, C Tomic, N Hartigan, B Kam

MINI SOCCER - B GRADE

Captained by Akram Rizk, the rest of the team consisted of nine Year 7 students who displayed great spirit and teamwork throughout the year. The boys enjoyed a very competitive season, showing excellent improvement throughout, but unfortunately the team did not proceed to the finals. However, they were enthusiastic and gave their best at all times. Congratulations on a fine effort!

Ms K Cross - coach



Front Row (L-R) S Tan, W Rusbatch, A Rizk, E Son, Mr Reynolds Back Row (L-R) D Tran, E Quach, Q Li, P Mulheron, M Fripp

SQUASH

The A1 team finished as undefeated premiers. An outstanding result from a team comprised of tennis and soccer players with very little squash experience.

The B2 team while not participating in the finals enjoyed many close and competitive games throughout the year. This was an excellent performance considering most of the team had not played squash before this year.

The members of both deserve to be congratulated on their teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the season, which were outstanding. They also undertook and carried out their umpiring duties with enthusiasm and confidence.

The squash knockout team reached the 2nd round being defeated by Rose Bay Senior College.

Mr Simmonds



Squash Teams

Front (L-R) **A1**; J Ngo, P Skyllas, Ms Goodman, D Starkey, B Scicluna 2nd Row (L-R) **B1**; K Zhu, A Murray, K Wong, K Tang, A Wong Back Row (L-R) **A2**; T Wang, S Mak, A Low, E Ong

TABLE TENNIS A1- PREMIERS

Members of this very successful team were Gary Chan, Roy Chai, Sujie Ho, Des Ng, and Roy Yu. The boys played consistently and exhibited a spirit of fair play. They won ten of their matches and lost only one (in a very close game) They made it to the final and played Kingsgrove North winning 5 games to 1.

The success of this team can be attributed to skill, a keenness to succeed and dedication to their chosen sport. Well done boys!

Mrs Golledge - coach

TABLE TENNIS A2.

This team consisted of Jay Lee, Jacky Li, Jia Lia Luo, John Xu, and Phillip Yuan. The boys had a successful season and worked well as a team. They won 8 of their matches and were a little unlucky to miss out on a place in the finals. Better luck next season.

Mrs Golledge - coach



Front Row (L-R) S Ho, G Chan, R Yu, D Ng, R Chai, Ms Golledge Back Row (L-R) J Xu, J Liu, J Lee, P Yuan, J Li

TABLE TENNIS - A2

This team comprising Richard Chung, Henry Huang, Anthony Tse, Thomas and James Xu had a mixed season missing out narrowly from qualifying for the finals. We had several good wins, one against Kogarah High was a stand-out but we also had some narrow defeats. The team showed good sportsmanship and humour throughout the competition but their highlight came in the match with the A1s which went down to the last set. In their final match against Oatley, they showed good spirit by playing a match which was close all the way eventually going down 34-32 in the last set.

Mr M Bellamy - coach

TABLE TENNIS - B2

This team comprising Kurt Forrester, Isaac Kan, Jewel Hossain, Tony Nguyen and Andy Wong experienced a couple of good wins throughout the year. However the team also experienced a few close losses which meant that the team missed out on qualifying for the finals. The team has improved throughout the season with all players experiencing good wins in their singles matches. The team has enjoyed their season but their highlight was a huge 7-0 win over Belmore in which all players played to their full potential. Thank you boys for a good season.

Mr M Bellamy - coach



Front Row (L-R) I Kan, K Forrester, A Wong, T Nguyen
Back Row (L-R) A Tse, J Xu, H Huang, T Xu, R Chung, Mr Bellamy
Absent: J Hossain

TABLE TENNIS - C GRADE

The team had a very good start to the season before slumping in the middle of the season but finishing very strongly. We were knocked out by the minor premiers and eventual winner, Peakhurst.

The team displayed a strong framework of teamwork and played with diligence, always treating the other team with respect, even when we lost! I would like to thank our coach, Mr Derwent for encouraging us to do our best and play fairly. He also talked to all of the players, but about all kinds of things usually not connected with table tennis. Overall, I would like to thank the team for their effort, sportsmanship and friendship. The team consisted of Ankhur Wadhwa, William Chun, Rayed Mamun, Paul Tsui and myself.

Jonathan Kniznikov - Year 12



The D table tennis team was not the best table tennis team when it came to skills and experience when it first started. Well, we still aren't the best team in the world now, but through the season we learned much about each other and improved our skills in playing the game.

Teamwork is important in any sport, and I believe we learned about that more than we learned about anything else through the season. Of course we had fun and enjoyed our matches against other schools. It did not matter when we lost sometimes, as long as we gave it our best shot. Adam Nelson and James Truong cooperated best in the team making every match enjoyable. James and Roger Zhang had the most developed skills. Other team members were Josh Hill and Peter Cook- O'Neill.

Roger Zhang Year 8



Front Row (L-R) W Chun, P Tsui, A Wadhwa, R Mamun, J Kniznikov Back Row (L-R) J Hill, R Zhang, A Nelson, J Truong, P Cook-O'Neill, Mr Derwent.

TOUCH - SENIOR A

It was a mixed season, winning many difficult games and then losing some relatively simple ones. The team was able to combine well on many occasions scoring some brilliant tries. Our skill level improved through the season with many combinations being developed. This will form a good platform for our team next year. Congratulations to Daniel Shute for being player of the season. He was the most dominant player in the competition. Well done to all boys on a successful season

Mr Gowan – coach



Front Row (L-R) D Miller, M Smart, J Sheahan, R Fung Back Row (L-R) D Fernandes, T Hunter, A Nadkarni,A So Absent: B De Cruz, D Shute, T Koshy

TOUCH - OPEN B - PREMIERS

The Open B touch team consisted of an enthusiastic and determined group of Year 10 and 11 students who showed great commitment each week in representing the school.

Although the boys did not get off to a great start at the beginning of the competition, they never gave up and seemed to enjoy playing the opposing schools each Wednesday. For many of the students in the team, this was the first time they had played grade touch and the rules were quite different to the lunch time touch played at school. The boys improved remarkably as the season progressed and we ended up moving into first place of the competition. To our advantage, many of the opposing teams had to forfeit or drop out towards the end as their Year 12 players had other commitments so no finals were played. This meant our school were awarded premiers of the Open Touch competition.

Well done to all players and I hope to see some of these boys play again next year. Thanks for a great season of Touch Football.

Mr Stokes -coach



Front Row (L-R) T Dinjar, G Kondo, S Suresh-Babu, B Ip, A Vemulpad, J Cheung Back Row (L-R) I tohidi-Esfahani, R White, A Wibawa, J Chan, M Kim

TOUCH - JUNIOR A

The Junior A touch team had a mixed season with several good results. We qualified for the semi-finals in which we were defeated by the eventual premiers, Hurstville Boys High. In that game, we were right in it up to the end, eventually going down by two tries.

The team mainly consisted of Year 9 and 10 boys, but it was pleasing to have two representatives from Year 8, Christiano and John, who both made strong contributions.

The boys are to be commended for their dedication and, particularly, sportsmanship during a hard season.

Mr Bellamy - coach



Front Row (L-R) J Chen, S Robertson, E James, T Gu, A Lilley
Back Row (L-R) B Morrison, R Leung, C Olivera, J Chalouhi, Mr Bellamy

TOUCH - JUNIOR B

The team was short on touch football experience, but big on enthusiasm. We were able to match it with some talented teams during the season. Week after week we improved and scored some great tries. It was pleasing to reach the semifinals. Although the result didn't go our way, it was a positive finish to the season.

Mr Hewett – coach



Front Row (L-R) C Dao, A Vo, A Szczepanski, M Olea, S Clough, M Wang Back Row (L-R) Mr Hewett, D Quach, C Mattern, M Hunter, R Ma

VOLLEYBALL - OPEN A

The team performed very well. Under the guidance of captain, Junda, their skills improved dramatically while Kipa the Skipa generated the enthusiasm and drive for the team. Tom played well in every game while Thi's thundering serves and spikes put fear in the hearts of the opposition. Knisneel was always dangerous at the net. David was a powerhouse server and Alecks amused and confused the opposition and us with his array of skills. Alex had a relaxed, effective approach to the game while no one tried harder than Idris. We had a narrow, hard fought loss to the Open B team in the semi which disappointed us because of the effort the team had put in all season but they were most happy to see the Open B's win against Belmore in the final.

Mr Cranston (proud coach)



Front Row (L-R) J Khoo, N Kipriotis, A Vasilovski, T Nguyen Back Row (L-R) J Chen, J Phan, K Dutt, A Gibson,Mr Cranston

VOLLEYBALL - OPEN B - PREMIERS

It was a successful year once again for the boys who, this year, were competing in the Open Volleyball Grade. There were many close matches, some going our way and with others the boys were unlucky not to win. But without fail, the boys displayed good sportsmanship and great team spirit at all times. We defeated our Open A team to make it to the final and fought off a determined team from Belmore to once again be crowned champions! Congratulations must go to all the players who turned up week after week with a focused and determined attitude and deserved the victory that was theirs.

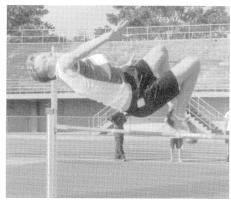
Well done to Samuel Burtt who was Best and Fairest and led the team well at every game. Well done boys – a great season of Volleyball!

Ms Abson - coach



Front Row (L-R) A Chisholm, S Burtt, D Qi, B Urwin, S Zentilomo Back Row (L-R) T Nguyen, L White, K Chow, Ms Abson







VOLLEYBALL - 15 YEARS

A very enjoyable season was had by all the boys even though we did not make the semi finals. Most of the boys progressed from very basic play to some quite advanced moves in a short time due to the fact that they were training at lunch very enthusiastically with the senior boys. Mike Zhou was an outstanding player in most matches this season.

Mr Cooper - coach



Front Row (L-R) P Lay, A Sree-Kumar, C Tzortzis, O Falnikar, M Zhou Back Row (L-R) J Le, S Morvillo, R Lay, B Lo

WATER POLO - OPENS

Sydney Tech continued their tradition of fielding competitive teams in last summer's water polo competition at Sutherland pool.

As the season progressed so did the skills of all players in both open teams. Our main rival was Caringbah High, who with their team of girls and boys always tested us. Despite these games being very tough, players from both teams developed a camaraderie and respect for each other, which reflects highly upon both our schools.

We progressed to the 2nd round of the state knockout this year.

I would like to thank all boys involved in both teams for their effort and enthusiasm this season and I wish the Year 12s the best of luck in their future endeavours.

Mr M Sender - coach



Front Row (L-R) N Andrianakos, D Kaladelfos, T Quayle, M Shoolman, I Kraljevic Back Row (L-R) B Dixon, S Sandal, S Wynn, G Hinton, Mr Sender.

WATER POLO - JUNIOR

The team had an enjoyable season playing in a social competition consisting of teams from Caringbah High School. During the season the Sydney Tech team displayed a lot of commitment and enthusiasm and improved their skills while having a good time. The season saw Sydney Tech record 7 losses, 1 draw and a win in the final game of the season.

Mr Palmer - Coach





WINTER SPORT HOCKEY

Congratulations on a good season enjoyed by the grade hockey team with students ranging from Yrs 8 to 11, some having never previously played hockey.

The team was capably led by James Northwood who gave guidance to the team and provided knowledge, experience and encouragement.

The team improved its consistency throughout the season with individual skills and teamwork both improving. We were beaten by Oatley 1-0 in the semi-finals.

Perhaps the most outstanding feature of the season would be the good nature and sportsmanship with which each game was undertaken, sometimes with rough play and antagonism from some opponents.

Mr Mulholland - coach



Front Row (L-R) P Xie, J Ngo, J Northwood, J Young, C Margetson Back Row (R Singh, D Simmonds, D Fernandes, J Grosvenor, H Xiao, J Gounaris, R Stewart.

RUGBY LEAGUE – 2ND GRADE

This season proved to be a very demanding but satisfying one. With much bigger opposition who often tried to intimidate us out of the game, our boys were always going to be up against it. To our credit the boys never gave up and played every game hard but fair.

Although the scoreboard did not always show it, the whole squad of players did themselves and the school proud. I thoroughly enjoyed looking after these boys and they should be commended for their cooperation and sense of fair play.

Mr Werner - coach



Front Row (L-R) T Hunter, I Ahamed, T Gu, S Holt, J Yan, M Huang, D Qi 2nd Row (L-R) L Camilleri, R Clark, J Khoo, D Miller, J McKinnon, J Ng, C Mattern Back Row (L-R)C Dao, J Chen, C Davies, B De Cruz, M Tran, B Morrison, R Chow

RUGBY LEAGUE - 14 YEARS

After a slow start, back to back wins against Belmore 2 and James Cook kick started our season. We started to believe in ourselves and our ability, but most importantly we matched up physically. We were no longer intimidated by our bigger opposition and began to play some good football. The highlight of the season was a 14-4 victory over Hurstville. Well done boys, looking forward to next year.

Mr Hewett - coach



Front Row (L-R) C Muir, A Lalchere, G McSullea, J Chalouhi, A Mujala, N Hallasso, S Cao 2nd Row (L-R) H Georgy, N Zhu, B Newsom, W Kuok, J Vallis, A Jegathaeswaran, W Rusbatch, P Petrohilos, P Francis, Mr Hewett Back Row (L-R) B Li, J Song, D Uong, J Vu, D Truong, H Liu, D Papps

RUGBY LEAGUE - 13 YEARS

Heavy losses early in the year against huge opponents sapped the boys' confidence levels, but to their credit they rallied and won two games late in the season. Captain Jon-Paul Demos and fellow forward Anthony Douskou (best & fairest) scored most of the tries with strong bursts through the rucks. Vincent Mu tackled his heart out, fullback Ricky Kar saved many tries and winger Steven Green played way above his weight. Other consistent players included John Billiris, Francis Viray and Fady Georgy.

In the St George Knockout, the boys played two games: losing on the final siren to Blakehurst but scoring on the hooter to nudge out Hurstville, just missing the semi finals on for and against.

Mr Melvin - coach



Front Row (L-R) F Viray, E Mazid, F Georgy, J Demos, R Ayoubi, A Douskou, T Lee 2nd Row (L-R) V Mu, A Sara, A Rizk, J Cho, S Trinh, R Kar, G Kim.
Back Row (L-R) E Pan, S Green, K Hodgson, N Mason, C Roberts, J Billiris, N Karvountzis. Absent: Mr Melvin, J Belcastro

SOCCER - 1ST GRADE - PREMIERS

On a cold Tuesday morning in 1999, I started these boys in a fairly simple training grid on the front oval at 7.30am and I wondered how in heaven's name I was going to ever get them to play properly. On a balmy winter's morning six years later I watched in awe as they went through their paces before the final – what a long way they had come as a team!

Competitive, skilful, cooperative and intelligent, they have always been a pleasure to coach, and their efforts have been rewarded with their 5th premiership out of the six finals they contested. In all of that time most of them have only lost one zone game – last year's final. It would be wrong for me to single out any one person for this is truly a TEAM, but each lad can look to his individual performances with pride. More importantly have been the lifelong friendships and support for each other they have forged over this period. Their attitudes, demeanour and sportsmanship have been beyond reproach and they have been fantastic ambassadors for Sydney Tech.

If there were regrets it was that we were always given tough draws in the knockouts, and failed to reach any great levels in those competitions, but such is the nature of soccer. One thing I know they have learned is that you get back what you put in, and over a long haul, they have always given their best, spending long, cold hours training almost continually for six years. It has given them something to remember for the rest of their lives and my pride at having been their coach is immeasurable. Well done, and good luck in the future.

Mr Trotman - coach



Front Row (L-R) A So, J Pearce, M Shoolman, M McLoughlin, N Kipriotis, P Skyllas, M Faulkner, N Andrianakos, B Scicluna

Back Row (L-R) Mr Trotman, W Griffiths, D Starkey, S McNaught, S Sandal, L Michaels, A Vasilovski, I Kralkevic, D Kaladelfos, A Mew, R Sedrak

SOCCER - 2ND GRADE A RUNNERS UP

It was a very successful season in which we lost only one game. Unfortunately it was the final where we were narrowly defeated 1-0 by Hurstville in a hard-fought even contest.

The team were all Year 12 boys who decided to form a team even though sport was not compulsory for them. They were always enthusiastic and played an open, attacking style of soccer which resulted in many goals.

Special mentions to Richard Nguyen who showed outstanding ability in goals and Brian Chong who broke his arm and was unable to play in the final.

Mr Hempel - coach



Front Row (L-R) J Chan, M Barker, Z Deen, R Nguyen, J Khoo, T Quayle Back Row (L-R) Mr Hempel, J Hartley, K Nguyen, R Aggarwal, J Kniznikov, B Chong

SOCCER – 2ND GRADE B

These fine young men showed great commitment to each other in their games. They went into their tackles with great vigour and ran non-stop for the good of their team. They forced their way into the semi-finals by playing hard but with real sportsmanship. It was a pleasure for me to be associated with them.

Mr Ward - coach



Front Row (L-R) N Psomas, S Zographakis, R White, G Psarakis, P Kidon, K Kalutarage, C Xenos 2nd Row (L-R) A Hough, J Moya, J Bastow, H Chiem, D Inglis, O Samad, T Dinjar, Mr Ward Back Row (L-R) P Pavlakis, M North, E Christie, P Wood, P Mikhail.

SOCCER - 2ND GRADE C

This team began its season well with a couple of good wins, but struggled to maintain momentum when injuries and zone representative duties sapped our player strength and numbers. One of our best games was a 4-0 loss to James Cook when only eight players were available. Special mention should be made of leading players such as Matt Gibson and Steven Tan who inspired with their determination and commitment. On the few occasions we were able to meet opponents on even terms our attack through team captain Shiv and Morgan Hunter showed it could dominate with speed and skill. Morgan's highlight for the season was a five goal haul in our win over Georges River College Oatley.

Mr Short - coach



Front Row (L-R) D Quach, D Miskovic, M Hunter, S Sivakumar, S Wong, S Baturan Back Row (L-R) N Low, B Caines, S Tan, K Ong, N Cassim, Mr Short

SOCCER - 15 YEARS TURNER CUP

What a season of mixed fortunes this was! This team had not lost a match for the last two years, and then in my absence we were beaten 2-0 in the final. This was a most unexpected result.

However, the big event of the season was the Turner Cup. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm of our members to play in this competition. This team has really raised the bar for future efforts by winning through to round 6 after some brilliant and determined successes against the strongest teams in southern Sydnev. Unfortunately, we lost to Endeavour, even after Tech dominated most of the game. I still think that it is grossly unfair that 'normal' schools are expected to compete on a level playing field with any of the sports high schools. We can't hope to match the time and experience such teams enjoy together before playing against them. I was, however, very proud and delighted with the manner in which STHS players conducted themselves on the field and were gracious in defeat. I did not feel that we had really been defeated because of our wonderful effort. Congratulations are due all around. Well done.

Mr Edwards - coach



Front Row (L-R) C Tzortzis, R Sedrak, L Michaels, S Janssen, M Tjaja, A Momi

2nd Row (L-R) J Lescove, G Sclavos, C Oliverira, M Antonelli, D Nikolic, A Stemkovic, Y Lee, Mr Edwards

Back Row (L-R) P Kim, D Davidov, J Chalouhi, S Robertson, J Le, M Nguyen.

SOCCER - 15B RUNNERS-UP

A team of 15 boys from Years 9 and 10 displayed a lot of skill and enthusiasm. They won all 8 games during the season, and advanced to the grand final by defeating Kingsgrove North 2-1 in the semi final. They reached the grand final with a 27 goal (for) and 9 goal (against) record and were hot favourites to defeat Hurstville in the final. However a much improved Hurstville caused an upset, winning 4-3.

All boys should continue to successfully represent the school in soccer in the coming year.

Mr Hayes - coach



Front Row (L-R) M Nguyen, U Chouster, D Davidov, J Devcic, N Tran, E Yee, K Xu Back Row (L-R) J Vincent, C Ong, J Lee, A Szczepanski, H Luo, B Cheung, M Antonelli, Mr Hayes

SOCCER - 14A

The 14 As team which was made up of Year 8 students had a fairly up-and down season. The boys began playing some tough competitors that were stronger and more experienced than our team. However, as the team improved throughout the season we managed to narrow the gap between ourselves and the opposing sides and win some games. Right up until the last match of the competition our school had to compete for fourth place with Canterbury and Blakehurst as we all shared equal points.

The boys put up a real battle against Blakehurst in the last round and thanks to a fantastic save by Aaron Charlton in goals we managed to keep Blakehurst from scoring in the final minutes. The game ended up in a two all draw with Blakehurst going through to the semi finals based on goal averages as Canterbury had lost their final game.

It was a pleasure to coach the 14A team with each student showing great sportsmanship and commitment each week.

Mr Stokes - coach



Front Row (L-R) S Wynne, S Drinkwater, I Luburic, A Charlton, T Da Silva, M Low, R D'Angelo Back Row (L-R) A Bull, D Prodromou, B Yeung, M Bineth, M Fripp, J Khoh, Mr Stokes

SOCCER 14 B1

The 14B1 soccer team enjoyed a very interesting and competitive competition season. The team enjoyed a good deal of success finishing in fourth place after the preliminary rounds. The semifinals saw us drawn against Hurstville. The semifinal was played on a very sandy and windy Gannons Park. After a slow start Tech were down 3 nil but responded well to finish on the wrong side of a 4-2 result. With a little more composure in front of goal the result may have been different. All the 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) H Au, V Lau, A Barathan, J Peacock, M Mock, J Carolin, J Nguyen Back Row (L-R) A Mahmoud, C Tomic, S Tan, A Challa, Y Cao, N Hartigan, A Walgamage, Mr Simmonds

SOCCER - 13A - JOINT PREMIERS

This is A TEAM that has improved and developed together over the course of this season. They began with a loss 2-1 to Hurstville Boys but in the 2nd round reversed this to an emphatic 4-0 victory in a fantastic disciplined display of passing and counter-attacking. Our last match of the season required a win against Blakehurst to secure the minor premiership but the 1-1 draw was far from disappointing. This result pitted us in the semis against our toughest opponents thus far in the form of Kingsgrove High. After a scoreless 1st half, the continual havoc caused by Matthew Hillman up front earnt us a penalty after he was brought down in the box. The spot kick was coolly converted by captain, Jason Stamenkovic. We were then placed under ongoing pressure by Kingsgrove but our defence held firm. Matthew Hillman scored our second from a brilliant counter attack. Kingsgrove had lost their composure and Jason converted another spot kick to complete the scoring.

The final saw us pitted against James Cook, against whom we had drawn 2-2 in the preliminary rounds. Both teams took turns in dominating the match on the wide open spaces of St George Stadium. Our defence held firm and we came close to scoring that elusive goal but neither team managed to break the dead lock by the end of extra time and were thus declared Joint premiers. I would like to thank and congratulate the boys for their efforts this year. They have been a pleasure to coach.

Mr Sender - coach



Front Row (L-R) D Szanto, R Rehan, L Cullen, J Stamenkovic, A Burrell, I Lee Back Row (L-R) E Vallis, D Chiu, L Cooper, P Faraj, G Cheung, B Middleton, M Hillman, Mr Sender

SOCCER - 13B

A very successful season was enjoyed by all of the boys producing an excellent win-loss record along the way. Many exciting games were fought our under the captaincy of Ushan Kalugalage. The season highlight was the semi final v's Hurstville which, after 49 minutes of struggling and shutting out their best player, was still even at 0-0. In the last minute of the game a penalty was given and Hurstville scored. Players in the team gained "Sports Team of the Week" on one occasion showing what a great group of boys they were.

Mr Cooper - coach



Front Row (L-R) L Szczepanski, J Taurail, N Chiu, U Kaluggalage, C Strong, C Gudas Back Row (L-R) T Zheng, M Chiam, E Quach, K Cheah, A Arif, M Dahoud, D Singh, Mr Cooper Absent: J Duque

SOFTBALL - JUNIOR A - PREMIERS

What a great season the team had winning the competition! We started the season strongly and never looked like losing. We were able to bat into double figures every game and usually applied the mercy rule. The boys were far superior in all areas including strong batting and base running followed up by sharp work in the field. The team was relentless in their charge to the finals. Player of the season goes to Wayne Aguiar for his fine leadership, sportsmanship and the skilful way he approached the game. Well done to all boys.

Mr Gowan - coach



Front Row (L-R) N Aftab, E Edwin, W Aguiar, A Singh, M Chea Back Row (L-R) H Singh, D Yeung, B Jones, F Zhou, B Kam,, A Ong, Mr Gowan

SOFTBALL - 14B

This fine team, captained by Robert Anderson, enjoyed a very successful season winning seven out of ten games. Having narrowly defeated Kingsgrove North 1 in a hotly contested semi final match, they played a valiant final against our own 'A' team, Sydney Tech 1, who were the deserved victors. Highlights of the season included some big batting and home runs by Laltaksh and Guan, excellent fielding from Nicholas, Alan, Vishal and Johnny, and consistently good play from the rest of the team. Our top catcher, Anthony, rarely let a ball slip by, while Noel provided an inspirational moment that saved the day against Belmore. Throughout the competition the boys displayed great sportsmanship and team spirit, as well as considerable talent and should be congratulated on their fine effort. Well done to all!

Ms Cross - coach



Front Row (L-R) A Lam, V Pandit, M Day, G Wang, N Huang, T Islam Back Row (L-R) R Anderson, J Chan, L Wangoo, N Char Kee Chung, J Tran

TABLE TENNIS A1 & B1

The results in the finals were:
A1 won 4-3 – a great effort in an exciting contest.
B1 – lost 5-1 to Blakehurst.

Mr Hughes - coach



Front Row (L-R) **A1**; J Li, S Ma, E Tse, W Shi, R Leung Back row (L-R) **B1**; S Chung, A Zhou, J Ko, N Stanisic, P Fung, Mr Hughes

TABLE TENNIS - C1 & D1 - PREMIERS

Sydney Tech can once again be very proud of the boys who represent them in grade table tennis. Each week C faced teams who were older and more experienced yet our players never gave up and managed to win every game except one. Next year we'll show Peakhurst who's the best!

No team, however, managed to get near D, who showed terrific sportsmanship and didn't even gloat when they defeated Sydney Tech's D2 team in a great final.

Congratulations to both teams.

Ms Newett - coach



Front Row (L-R) **C1**; K Woon, E Yuen, W Kuo, D Cheung, E Quach Back Row (L-R) **D1**; A Yuen, D Do, B So, G Ho, K Wu

TABLE TENNIS - C2

The C2 team were enthusiastic players throughout the competition. They developed their skills base and produced some exciting matches. Congratulations on the quality of play and sportsmanship.

TABLE TENNIS - D2

The D2 team were very enthusiastic and determined representatives of STHS. Their games were exciting and it was pleasing to see them develop both skills and teamwork. Congratulations on an excellent season and on reaching the finals.

Ms Engel – coach



Front Row (L-R) **C2**; N Tam, J Chu, K Fong, A Farah
Back Row (L-R) **D2**; L Nguyen, E Yap, A Wu, D Zhang, Y Li
Absent: B Wang

TENNIS A1 - PREMIERS

The boys were successful again this year winning the zone final against Canterbury Boys 6-0. This was the last match for Des Ng who has been the number one player for several seasons now. Alex Ng and Vincent Lee were new members this year and show the potential to keep the team on a winning streak. Terence Kwang played his usual reliable and skilful game. Ezra James played in his characteristic smooth flowing style to assure us of victory.

These boys, assisted by Thi Tran and "Mr Tennis", Sandeep Koniki, won two rounds of the CHS knockout competition before losing to Kirrawee in a close tussle.

Mr Butcher - Coach

TENNIS B1 - PREMIERS

In an exciting final the team was able to take out the zone competition this year. After losing both doubles it looked grim until Matthew Kwok was able to draw a set and then Ken Chan won his singles giving us a chance we needed to win both remaining singles to take victory:3 ½ points to 2 ½. Sameer Karve and Justin Foley rose to the occasion. This was a great result and a fine way for the two Year 12 boys, Justin and Ken, to finish their sporting lives with the school. Mr Butcher – coach



Front Row (L-R) **A1**; A Ng, T Kwong, D Ng, E James, V Lee Back Row (L-R) **B1**; M Kwok, J Farley, M Rose, K Chan, S Karve, Mr Butcher

TENNIS - OPEN A2

The team had an enjoyable season but unfortunately, did not make the semi finals. The team recorded three wins, two draws and five losses during the season. All members of the team displayed good sportsmanship at all times and were a credit to the school.

Mr Palmer - coach

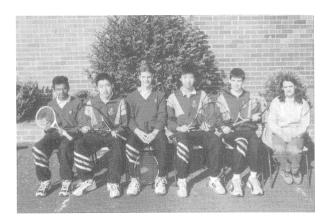


Front Row (L-R) **A2**; S Mak, S Jiang, H Huynh, J Lin, J Ng, I Lau Back Row (L-R) **B2**; L Dang, B Nguyen, R Ramoo, G Tan, N Nguyen, Mr Palmer

TENNIS - A3

Although the team did not make the semi finals they played some excellent matches in a spirit of good sportsmanship. All players improved their skills both in playing and umpiring.

Ms Mikl - coach



L-R M Huq, R Kuo, G Lewis, B Lau, C Bell, Ms Mikl

TENNIS – OPEN B2

The team had a good season. They recorded six wins, one draw and three losses in the competition which saw them earn a place in the semi finals where they were defeated by the Sydney Tech B1 team. All members of the team always gave a 100% effort and played each game with enthusiasm.

Mr Palmer - coach

TENNIS - 15, 14, 13

Junior Grade Tennis has always been a sporting strength of the school and some years the assumption can be made that STHS will win the competition without too much difficulty. This year, however, Sydney Tech was challenged in each of these grades. At the end of June the 15s team was in equal 2nd place, the 14s team was in 5th place and the 13s team was in equal 1st place with two other schools. When semi – finals were played on the 4th August, each of these teams was in there playing and each won its match.

The Finals were played on the 25th August against Kingsgrove HS in each of the three grades. The boys can be justly proud of their efforts by playing with focus, determination and sportsmanship. In the 14's and 15's matches the result between a win or a draw depended on the result of the final match — in the 14's Chris Stebbings won this match with a score of 13-6 and in the 15's Minh Phan won 13-11 after it was tied up at 11-11. These matches were the culmination of team efforts and mutual support.

A great result for all three grades with victory in each. Congratulations and well done:

Mr Towner - coach



Front Row (L-R) **15A**; M Phan, J Lee, C Lieu, A Ngan, A Lai, L Gaica 2nd Row (L-R) **14A**; J Vo, A Sivashanmugarajah, C Stebbings, K Fong, J Chong, D Kwak, Mr Towner Back Row (L-R) **13A**; A Kim, D Tran, A Tran, J Herren, J Nguyen, J Hazelton

TENNIS - 15B

The 15Bs had an interesting season. Some surprising wins and losses. They were lucky to just make the final four. Unfortunately they were beaten by Kingsgrove in the semi finals. They are determined to have another go next year.

Ms Kelso - coach

TENNIS - 14B & 13B

The 13Bs and 14Bs played well together as a team all year. They umpired and scored and enjoyed the experience of playing a grade sport. Unfortunately neither team made the final four. They are keen to have another try next year and hopefully make the finals series.

Ms Kelso - coach



Front Row (L-R) **15B**; Y Park, A Murray, A Charalambous, T Wu, E Li, D Du 2nd Row (L-R) **14B**; K Man, S Gupta, J Dhingra, G Issa, W Ton-That, A Kumar, Ms Kelso Back Row (L-R) **13B**; G Ng, N Afshar, D Quan, D Lam

TENNIS - 15C, 14C, 13C

All teams played enthusiastically this season but unfortunately did not make the semi finals. The boys are to be congratulated as they played to the best of their ability. They have gained valuable experience and have shown a marked improvement in their games.

Ms Berios - coach



Front Row (L-R) **15C**; S Wahid, Y Chan, S Honeine, T Gibson, D Moules 2nd Row (L-R) **14C**; S Heath, K Banos, B Ng, J Lauer, F Wang Back Row (L-R) **13C**; T Yang, Q Yang, N Chowdhury, P Jaruwattanapradit, D Baker, V Chang

NOTES

TECH FAMILY TRADITIONS

YEAR 12

J Pearce M Riley J Young M Barker M Shoolman J Skola	G Pearce M Riley R Young J Barker M Shoolman H Shoolman D Skola	1971-76 1970-75 1963-68 1943-45 1969-74 1945 1969-72	G/Father
G Kondo	E Kondo	1996-1997	Brother
	YEAR 11		
M Cassidy D Kaladelfos B Urwin 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
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	YEAR 10		
A Lilley D Simmonds	G Lilley W Lilley S Lilley J Booth YEAR 9	1969-74 1965-70 1972-77 1964-69	Uncle Uncle Uncle
K Forrester	A Crombie	1945-47	G/Father
P Francis J Vincent R Young E Cooper T James	J Francis E Vincent I Young R Cooper J Hill	1962-67 1937-41 1977-82 1973-78 1966-69	G/Father Uncle
	P Hill	1971-74	Uncle
	YEAR 8		
S Wynn	G Wynn	1972-77	
	YEAR 7		
P Tunbridge	T Murphy	197?	Uncle

