Moorefield Girls High School

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Principal's Report 30/08/18

We continue to celebrate success at Moorefield Girls and our 'success' has taken many forms in the last month - in academic areas, different sporting events, in Dance programs and Visual Arts, as well as community work. There is a very positive vibe around the school at the moment as we focus on recognising the great work of all of our students in these different areas. The Vocational Education and Training Awards for the Sydney area were held last Monday night and two of our Year 12 students were recognised for their subjects. Congratulations to Seray for excellence in Hospitality (Kitchen Operations) and Brittney for winning the category of School Based Traineeship (Business Services) with QANTAS.

At our last parent (P&C) meeting, the committee agreed to re-instate the official positions of the P&C and therefore there will be an extraordinary meeting on Wednesday 24 October, at 6.30pm to discuss this process and invite people who are considering executive positions to find out more information. Any person who would like to vote and apply will need to attend the meeting. If you can not attend but would like to know more, please let me know.

These last 4 weeks of term are extremely important for Year 12 students. They have achieved some very good results in their trial HSC examinations, however there is opportunity now for each student for preparation their HSC examinations. to improve their work in Our Year 12 Parent/Daughter Information night is on Tuesday 4th September, 6-7 pm in our common room. We will discuss HSC preparation, managing stress, career opportunities and university entrance schemes. I look forward to seeing you there.

Enjoy the newsletter - it is a great read and highlights some very significant achievements.

Ms N Hale, Principal





Titration Competition ... on to the Nationals

Moorefield Girls' Titration team tops the state in the heats and is going to the national competition. What is a titration? It is a method of chemical analysis using very accurately measured volumes of solution.

How does the competition work? Teams of three, each find the concentration of unknown solutions using accurate volumetric analysis and calculations. They can help each other, as it is the team score that is used. The score is based on how close to the actual value each individual gets. A score of zero is a perfect score. A team score of less than 100 is regarded as excellent.

Savina, Pooja and Adarshika scored 3, with Adarshika a perfect 0. The top 25 runners-up included Fort St, Marist Sisters College, Hornsby Girls, Abbotsleigh, James Ruse, Shore, PLC, Barker and Sydney Grammar.

We wish our students luck in the national competition on Saturday 8 September at UNSW, where they have a more complicated procedure to complete in 3 hours.

Ms P Gill, Head Teacher Science



Sport – Outstanding Achievements

Cross Country

After doing well at Zone and Regional Cross Country I was lucky enough to have the opportunity of representing Moorefield Girls High School at the State Cross Country Carnival. It was an exciting and nerve-racking experience. I finished the race in 24th position out of 103 other students. This was a huge achievement and I was proud to be representing my school. Next year I am aiming for the Top Ten.

Tayla C, Year 8

Netball report

The Open A Netball team made it comfortably into the grand finals with an undefeated record. Moorefield Girls faced the unknown quantity of St. George Christian School, who we had not played before due to wet rounds. Unfortunately we came away just short in a close game. The Moorefield girls displayed a high level of camaraderie and sportsmanship throughout the season. They are supportive of one another and play together beautifully as a team. I am so proud of their efforts.

The Open B Netball team reached the semi-finals of the competition. This was a fantastic result for the newly formed team, which contained a mixture of debutante and experienced players. The team often played without reserves and displayed great determination and enthusiasm. The expert coaching drills of Mrs Turner assisted their development and team cohesion. I look forward to their further progress next year.

Ms J Maddocks, Open A's Coach

Table Tennis report

Recently, the Moorefield Girls' table tennis team faced off against Blakehurst HS for our semi-finals match. Both teams performed exceptionally, with buzzing excitement and enthusiasm palpable. We were unfortunately unable to progress to the finals but we learnt much this winter. We will aspire to reach greater heights and continue to improve.

Emily J, Year 9



Working for our Community

Drought Crisis

Our recent Mufti Day required students and staff to donate items for farmers and families in need due to severe drought conditions. This was a huge success and the Student Representative Council (SRC) students were very impressed with the generosity of their peers.

Our junior SRC students were very proud to visit Ramsgate RSL to deliver our contribution to their #BaleOutAFarmer campaign. We were joined by representatives from the Wish Foundation, 14 Stars Childrens Foundaton and the United Islamic Foundation who made generous contributions to our donation (over \$1700).





Intergenerational Tech Swap

Selected Year 9 Information and Software Technology students recently took part in an Intergenerational Tech Swap at Rockdale Library as part of their program of study. The Intergenerational Tech Swap is a program where students volunteer to be technology tutors to senior members of the community.

The three sessions were a great success and our students were wonderful ambassadors for the school. The elder members of our community were very appreciative of the help they received from our tech savvy students and complimentary of their patience and teaching styles.

Ms J Maddocks, Year 9 Advisor

World Vision – Syria Crisis

Recently, a sausage sizzle organised by Fatima from Year 11 catered for 100 sausage sandwiches. The girls were very excited about their success and Fatima has now raised over \$500 for the Syria Crisis Appeal with World Vision.

We all know what has been happening in the media lately, the crisis happening in Syria to be specific. Living in Australia, we are privileged, privileged to the point where some of the things in the media do not seem real because we live in a harmonious environment. The 'Little Souls' foundation was established so that Syrian children could experience this privilege. Even a simple act of kindness can make a difference, thank you to all the supporters and donors.



Fatima R, Year 11

Wrap with Love – Celebrating Volunteers

This year we celebrated our involvement with <u>'Wrap with Love'</u> by visiting the Rock & Wool knitting group at Rockdale Library and handing over 33 beautiful wraps for distribution to disadvantaged people worldwide. Over our 14 year involvement with 'Wrap with Love' we have donated 177 wraps which represent thousands of hours of labour and thousands of knitted squares.

The generosity of our wonderful volunteers, comprising students, past and current staff members, mothers, grandmothers, aunts and friends of Moorefield Girls, is always inspiring. A special thank you to two of our community volunteers, Toula and Katie, who have admirable skills in the art of knitting as well as crochet. They have made a remarkable impact on our project over the years and continue to donate an incredible amount of time, skill and material to our collection.

Students involved, learn the art of knitting, the value of volunteering and the notion of being aware of others less fortunate due to circumstances beyond their control.

Rene Panagiotelis, Wrap Coordinator, Moorefield Girls High School

