



Moorefield Girls High School

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Principal's Report

Term 3 is coming to an end and we have worked well together as a school community to keep our girls safe and learning. It has certainly been the year to get creative when trying to organise normal school events for curriculum and student wellbeing under restrictions. The Moorefield Girls Olympics Day was hugely successful to compensate for the cancellation of our Athletics and Cross Country carnivals. Our Careers program has continued to connect with universities and tertiary providers to ensure Year 12 are well versed on their options for the future. We have run virtual excursions and HSC study days, as well as virtual Parent meetings.

Year 12 officially finish school next term however they are excited about the last day of this term where we have organised some activities to celebrate their successes and achievements. They have proven themselves to be strong and resilient young women. Congratulations to our Music, Visual Arts and Textiles and Design students on completing HSC performance examinations and submitting major works.



A special mention to our Year 12s who have already been offered places at university. WOW!

- Sunna H – Bachelor of Medical Science (WSU)
- Naima – Bachelor Psychology/Teaching (WSU)
- Nour – Bachelor of Business (WSU)
- Shalin, Adita, Suzana – conditional offer for early entry to UNSW
- Fatima C – dual Optometry degree (UNSW)
- Orchhna – Bachelor of Computational Design (UNSW)
- Shaima – Bachelor of Biomedical Engineering (UNSW)
- Ksenia, Adita, Suzana – Leaders and Achievers Program (Macquarie Uni)
- Angela – Bachelor of Design (UNSW)
- Serene, Suzana - Australian College of Applied Psychology

Year 11 Final Examinations

Last week, Year 11 were issued with their examination timetable and the examination rules and procedures. I have attached those documents for parents and carers. Students do not have to attend school if they do not have an examination scheduled; we expect students to use this time to complete home study. Of course, our library is available, as well as teachers, if a student would like to study on site.

Olympics Day

What a day! Athletic events including shot put, long jump, 50m sprint, egg and spoon race, and tug of war were the most popular events on the day, keeping the girls very busy. Our Year 10 PASS class were the main organisers and their competence meant the program ran very well. Each year group chose a different theme for their mufti clothes – perhaps Year 12 had the most fun, dressing up as teachers!



Aquatics program – Years 7 & 8

A note has been issued to all Year 7 and Year 8 students about our Aquatics program starting in Term 4. We have been through a thorough process to ensure this is COVID safe and the Department of Education does allow such activities to take place. We highly value this swimming program which has instructors from Sans Souci Pool teaching girls at their different levels. Moorefield Girls High School will be the only school at the pool at the time of our program.

Sustainability garden

Ms Ma (Teacher Librarian) and Ms Wood (Head Teacher TAS) applied for a Sustainability grant last year and we were successful in receiving \$15,000 to establish a new Vegetable Garden and outdoor classroom space. This garden will be a part of our junior Food Technology and Agriculture curriculum and allow for some 'hands on' learning.



COVID-19 procedures – a reminder

In our last newsletter, we outlined the latest advice regarding the new guidelines for managing COVID-19. We would like to remind parents and carers that they are NOT to send children to school if they are unwell, in particular with flu-like symptoms. If students present at school as unwell with flu like symptoms, we must make arrangements for them to be sent home.

If your daughter is absent from school, you must respond to our daily absentee SMS. If her absence is due to cold or flu like symptoms, we ask that you note that in your response as a matter of urgency. Alternatively, you would reply "sick – not flu" if your daughter is unwell due to other reasons.

Students absent or sent home due to flu like symptoms need to be tested. Students must not return to school until they return a negative COVID-19 result. Please note that we must sight the negative COVID-19 test result prior to allowing students to return to school.

It is very important that all parents, carers and students are aware of the latest guidelines for the safe operation of our school. The full document released by the Department of Education is available at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>.

Ms Natalie Hale, Principal



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