

Moorefield Girls High School

'Moorefield Matters' eNewsletter

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UPCOMING DATES

Tuesday 9 November HSC written examinations begin

Friday 19 November Year 7 Vaccinations, 2nd Dose (HPV, Diphtheria/Tetanus)

Friday 19 November Year 11 English (Extension 2) Word Express Incursion

Tuesday 23 November Year 7 2022, Orientation Day (students only)

Thursday 16 December Last Day of Term (Students)

Friday 17 December Last Day of Term (Staff)

Principal's Report

We were extremely happy to welcome back our students full time from 25 October earlier this term. (In fact teachers agreed to wear bright colours in celebration. The remote learning period was long and difficult at times. Perhaps what was most difficult for many of us was the isolation and inability to see our family and friends. People's emotional wellbeing has been affected, employment and finances severely impacted in some cases. Please reach out for support as we have been approached by organisations in the area which may be able to assist families in need.



For now, we are travelling well with some sort of normality. The COVID safe restrictions for schools include face masks for everyone indoors, all staff on site are double vaccinated, only essential visitors allowed and cohorting arrangements to avoid student groups from mingling. Overall this is going well. Please ensure your daughter has a mask every day as we have a limited supply as spares. It is also important to keep your child at home if they have any flu-like symptoms and have a COVID test if necessary. Thank you to all of our parents and carers who are supporting these procedures.



The Higher School Certificate examinations started on 9 November after an extremely disrupted time for Year 12. The students were happy to get the first English examination over and felt it was a fair paper. I have been impressed with their determination to keep going and they have definitely continued to find a way to support each other and stay positive. All of the staff at Moorefield Girls High School wish them the very best for the HSC.

This term's P&C meeting has been deferred until Term 1, 2022. The P&C executive are meeting with me to finalise the donation of noticeboards from our Bunnings BBQ fundraiser and to officially postpone the Annual General Meeting until Term 1 for election of the executive positions.

If you didn't get the chance to check out our video message to students on the school's Facebook page, please watch. It will definitely make you smile.



https://www.facebook.com/MoorefieldGirlsHighSchool/videos/2975245599355478

Ms Natalie Hale, Principal

Deputy Principal's Report

Returning to regular school attendance: Our focus over the past few weeks has been to welcome back our girls to on-site learning and to give them time to re-connect with friends and their teachers. The need to re-establish good routines has been highlighted when we look at the impact our recent prolonged lockdown has had on many students, and it has been important to support them to feel excited about returning to their normal school life.

To assist all of them to move forward, it is important that we support and encourage regular attendance and communicate our expectation that students are on-site all day every day unless there is a medical reason which is preventing them from attending school.

We require all students who are absent from school to provide an explanation and we send out daily SMSs to parents / carers whose daughters are absent. To assist parents and carers to provide an explanation quickly, we have enabled the SMS system to accept reply messages and parents and carers can do so if they chose, rather than write a note or email to the school. This system provides you with a relatively quick and easy way to communicate your daughter's absence as well as the reason for her absence. If you know your daughter will be absent before the actual day, you are able to contact the school prior to the day of her absence, rather than wait for the SMS to be sent out on the actual day.

If you have changed your address or phone number, please contact our office to provide us with an update so that we can continue to communicate with you.

School Captains and Prefects

Congratulations to Yasmine and Amali for earning the honour of School Captains, 2022.

Congratulations also to Shikshya, Mahjabin, Faith and Martina for attaining the role of School Prefects, 2022.





HPGE News: Australian Competitions 2021

Students from the High potential and Gifted Education program along with students who have a passion for History, Mathematics and Science were given an opportunity to participate in the History, Mathematics and Science Australian Competitions this year. Moorefield Girls High school achieved a terrific result where student performance reflected state and above state & national averages. Congratulations to ALL participating students. A special mention to our students who participated in the Mathematics Competition during COVID lockdown, their diligence and adherence to format and rules was exceptional.

The following students should be commended for their excellent results.

AUSTRALIAN SCIENCE COMPETITION (21 May 2021)

Gabriella A. Credit Helena N. Credit Uyanga O. Credit Anna Z. Credit

AUSTRALIAN HISTORY COMPETITION (3 June 2021)

Lamia B. Distinction Fatima A. Credit Antonia S. Credit Mariam A. Merit Uyanga O. Merit Jhanerii O. Merit Selene A. Merit Medissa S. Merit Rajshree P. Merit

AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION (6 August 2021)

Mariam A. Credit Credit Doyel V. Jia L. Credit Uyanga O. Credit Udval B. Credit Anna Z. **Proficient** Emily W. **Proficient** Ammrutha V. **Proficient** Selene A. **Proficient** Jhanerii O. **Proficient** Enerel C. **Proficient**

Ms C Golfinopoulos, Teacher HSIE, High Potential and Gifted Education Coordinator

Tell Them From Me Survey

A reminder to please complete the Tell Them From Me parent feedback survey. You would have received an email with the link earlier this month. It is your opportunity to offer feedback and have input into the future directions of Moorefield Girls. Please follow link below:

http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/mghs2021

Year 12 Early Entry Success

Congratulations to the following Year 12 students who have already been offered a place at university for 2022:

Isabella B.V. Bachelor of Social Work, Western Sydney University
Elina M. Bachelor of Medicinal Chemistry, University of Wollongong

Fatimah D. Bachelor of Laws / Bachelor of Commerce, University of Notre Dame

Jada K. Bachelor of Commerce / Bachelor of Business Administration, Australian Catholic

University

Juanita R.V. Bachelor of Game Design, Macquarie University

Taj H. Bachelor of Arts / Bachelor of Social Science, Western Sydney University

Diploma of Bio Medical Science, Australian Catholic University

Zeinab B. Bachelor of Education Primary, University of Notre Dame Jacqueline F. Diploma of Social Science, Western Sydney University

Diploma of Social Science, Torrens University

Deena L. Bachelor of Creative Arts / Bachelor of Computer Science, University of Wollongong

Bachelor of Game Design and Development, Macquarie University

Bonnie H. Bachelor of Business (Marketing), Western Sydney University

Fatima K. Bachelor of Nursing, University of Notre Dame

Bachelor of Nursing, Western Sydney University

Bachelor of Medical Science, University of New South Wales

Bachelor of Health Science, University of Wollongong

Bachelor of Business Administration, Australian Catholic University

Ronja C. Bachelor of Arts (Masters in Teaching), Western Sydney University

Bachelor of Physical Health and Education, University of Wollongong

Noor B. Diploma of Business (Fast Track), University of Wollongong

Express Yourself Writing

During our long weeks of remote learning an engaged and enthusiastic group of students met each week to participate in the Express Yourself Writing Team. The team was created to encourage students to tap into their creativity and produce short pieces of writing that would enable them to express themselves during what was a challenging time for us all. Each week students were offered fun and accessible competitions and along with feedback and encouragement, prizes were awarded for the best entries. Students who were regular attendees were also invited to participate in an Anthology Workshop incursion, where we worked together to produce a collection of student writing; stay tuned for the final product.











Ms L Ma, Teacher Librarian, Rel. Head Teacher, English

Food Technology - Special Ed

Cottee class had a lesson in sugar craft during Food Technology last week when they made panda cake toppers. Instructions for the project were read and the figurine was modelled in class while vocabulary skills were developed. Cottee girls estimated and measured the fondant against a template which guided them in creating the panda figurine. White and black fondant was kneaded and moulded to create the panda. Lots of laughter and learning took place during this project which was a lot of fun for all.







Ms L Tsathas, Teacher, Special Ed

Veggie Garden - Special Ed



The girls have been so excited to see how their gardens have been growing. We have managed to grow some lettuce, tomatoes and red onions! They have been learning when it's time to pick their veggies and spotting the difference between weeds and our plants.



Update your contact information

Please keep your contact details current by informing the school whenever there is a change. You can update by phoning the school (9587 6095), emailing moorefielg-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au, or collecting a form from the office.



For more information about the events and activities of Moorefield Girls High School visit our website at: http://www.moorefielg-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/

