Dear Parents

As mentioned in a previous newsletter, this year’s Presentation Day will be held on Tuesday 6 December in the New Hall at College Street. All parents are invited to the ceremony which will start at 1:30 pm. The whole school will take part with Kindergarten boys sitting in specially allocated seats with their parents. Transition boys will be presented with their copy of ‘Carpe Diem’ by Dr Vallance, as will prize winners from Years 3-6 and all boys in Years 2-6 will sing in a combined choir. A letter will be sent home early next term with all details relating to the organisation of the day.

By now many parents will have seen the New Hall and recognize that it is a spectacular venue in which the whole School can come together. I’m sure those who attended this week’s combined concert with PLC Sydney, will have been impressed with the Hall as well as the standard of music from all string ensembles and the School Orchestra. Congratulations to Mr Smith and the music staff and all the boys who performed.

The annual drama production of ‘Beasts and Beauties’ concluded on Saturday following the afternoon performance. From the appropriate selection of plays, to the set, costumes and performances it was a great success. For the boys involved the long period of rehearsal had seen them develop their characters, as well as get to know and support each other. Well done to Miss Wheatley, Mrs Grellis and all members of the cast and crew.

Congratulations to the following boys who have won sections of the Senior Spoken English finals, recently judged by Dr Windon from College Street:

Verse Recitation Jack Muranty-Wilkins
William Lind - Highly Commended
Prose recitation William Ji
Prose Reading William McCartney
Verse Reading William Lind, Harshan Paidi aeq.
Original Talk Lachlan McIntyre

Term Four will be a busy one for Year 6 as well as being their final term at St Ives. They will travel to Canberra to enrich their understanding of government in the second week, and I acknowledge the financial assistance of the Federal Government with that excursion, and hold the Annual Year 6 Fair to raise money for charity. The boys will also take part in the ‘Moving into High School’ programme in preparation for next year which will include sessions relating to the coming changes of adolescence. Their year will culminate with the Year 6 Dinner for boys and their parents, and the Leavers’ Assembly. I am most appreciative of their intended gift of a garden to the School; to be established with our Scientist-in-Residence next term.

I hope the coming holiday provides all families with time to relax together and I look forward to welcoming boys back for Term Four.

HEADMASTER’S AWARDS

Congratulations to the following boys who have earned Headmaster's Awards this fortnight.

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Mrs R J Lee
FROM THE SENIOR MASTER
A reminder that all boys come back to school in Term 4 wearing their full summer uniform. May I also ask parents to please check that all items that are brought to school are clearly labelled and please check your son’s clothes and belongings to ensure they are his. Thank you.

Mr D W Fraser

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF INFANTS
The boys thoroughly enjoyed participating in the K-2 Athletics Carnival. The emphasis for the K-2 boys was to enjoy participating in all the events. Thank you to Ms Alimpic for organising a wonderful day!

Over the last two weeks, the following boys have successfully implemented the Social Skill of the Week - ‘Listening to Others’ or ‘Look at the Person Speaking to You’:

- TrB Andrew Ha & Nathan Marjoram
- TrE Zaccheus Garrett & Hamish Ierino
- 1M William Chan & Hugo Bartlett
- 1W Zachary Liew & Christopher Calthorpe
- 2C Benett Tsai & Thomas Loh
- 2F Saahil Nanda & Hugo Hui

A special thank you to all the parents who volunteered to cover K-2 books this term. We really appreciate it!

Next term (Monday, 10 October), Kindergarten will display their class work at the K-2 Entrance.

Ms L A Dorn

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF STUDIES

Integrated Learning
Having returned recently from Bathurst and Hill End, I was reminded of the power of the integrated teaching and learning units we deliver at Sydney Grammar School.

Our Year Five boys were outstanding in their behaviour and the guides at each venue remarked on how interested they were, how well they listened but most importantly, how much they knew beyond the facts. Our Year Five curriculum is integrated with HSIE; with the study of power and democracy in the 1850s, and Science; the boys studied rocks and minerals.

Underpinning this content are the skills of English and Maths. The boys read, write, talk and listen about gold and we bring History and Maths alive in the Mawson Goldfields experience. The boys even composed songs, which talked of their experiences as poor miners. They have lived and breathed all things to do with gold and one of the guides exclaimed that he was trying hard to find something they didn’t know about or understand! Rich and authentic teaching and learning experiences have resulted in deep understandings about this important time in Australia’s history.

This term, Year One and Year Four also enjoyed a visit from our Scientist-in-Residence, Mr Anthony Stimson. Fish dissection, reptile shows and the opportunity to collectively hold a huge python that took the whole class to lift, is an experience I am sure they will never forget! What amazing integrated learning our boys experience at Sydney Grammar.

Mrs C J Merrick

FROM THE MUSIC MASTER
CONGRATULATIONS to all performers of the St Ives /PLC Sydney Concert held in the New Hall, College St Monday 12 September. A fabulous night was enjoyed by everyone in what truly is a very special auditorium.

Music Term 4
All ensembles and instrumental music lessons resume in Week 1.

Ensembles Term 4
Parents, thank you in advance for your help in having your sons arrive ON TIME for all rehearsals next term as we prepare for their performances at the Annual Concert.

Scholars’ Concert - Friday 11 November – 6:30pm in the Hall
Annual Concert – Wednesday 30 November – 7:00pm in the Hall

Instrumental Try Outs
When boys move from Years K-2 to 3-6, a range of exciting instruments is open to them to learn. We will offer short sessions for Year 2 boys during Week 4 in order for us to assess interest and suitability for flute, clarinet, saxophone, oboe, violin, cello, double bass, trumpet, French horn, trombone, tuba and guitar. This opportunity is extended only to boys whose parents wish them to be taught at school. Boys already in Years 3-6 can try-out in Week 3. Please leave names with Mrs Templeton at the Music Office.

Discontinuing Music Lessons
Written confirmation of your son’s withdrawal from music lessons must be received by the Music Department by Friday Week 5 (12 November) or it will be assumed he is continuing in 2011 and fees for Term 1 will be payable.

St Ives Vocal and Instrumental Music Scholarships for 2011
Scholarships are open to all boys in Year 5 2010. Forms are available from the Music Office. First round auditions will be held...
on Week 4, Monday 1 November. Final round instrumental and vocal auditions will be on Monday 8 November.

**College Street Music Scholarships**

Boys currently in Year 5 may also wish to apply for a Music Scholarship to College Street in 2012. Forms will be available from the Music Office in Term 4. The closing date for registration will be Friday 9 March 2012. Auditions will be either Friday 16 or Monday 19 March 2012.

**Mr M S Smith**

**FROM THE SPORTS MASTER**

**Summer Sport**

Please note the Term 4 Fixture sheet that accompanies this newsletter. The School’s website also displays all fixtures and venues.

**After School Sport resumes on the first day of School next term:** boys should report to their coaches from first term on their usual training afternoon. 3:00pm - 4:00pm

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**Holiday Camp Years 2-6**

We have several vacancies for Cricket, Basketball and Tennis and the odd spot in Badminton. Please leave a message on 9488 6320, if you would like to fill a spot or two.

**Swimming Lessons**

Please phone Larissa on 9403 3063, to book your son(s) into learn to swim, stroke development or fitness lessons.

From the Sports Department, have a well deserved, restful and sporty holiday! C’mon Wallabies!

**Mr R C Baker**

**FROM THE DRAMA MASTER**

‘A Collection of Beasts and Beauties and Grimm Tales’

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who participated in making ‘A Collection of Beasts and Beauties and Grimm Tales’ a wonderful production. A combined effort from the cast, the backstage crew, the designers, the costume and prop makers and the technical crew helped us to achieve a disciplined and professional standard that we can aspire to achieve and excel in future years.

**Year 4 Performance – ‘A Kidnapped Santa Claus!’**

Next term, during Week 5, the Year 4 boys will present the play ‘A Kidnapped Santa Claus.’ All boys must attend these performances and I’m sure they would love you to be there to support them. The boys have been busy moving about the stage, developing their characters and learning more about stagecraft as we rehearse each week. The boys need to learn their lines during the holidays and parental guidance would be appreciated, thank you.

**Costumes**

All boys are responsible for their own costume and parental guidance would be appreciated. Please keep it simple, thank you.

I hope you have a relaxing and enjoyable holiday!

**Ms M F Wheatley**

**FROM THE CHESS CO-ORDINATOR**

Congratulations to our A Team who are the Met North Regional winners. They will now proceed through to the semi-finals of the Metropolitan Primary School’s Teams Competition. This term boys played for the title of School Chess Championship for the Junior Division and Senior Division.

Kevin Willathgamuwa is the Senior School Champion, in second place Rowan Willathgamuwa and in third place Henry Xu.

Lucas Parker is the Junior School Champion, in second place Jeffrey Tse and tied for third place are Hayden Chan and Joshua Lee.

Next term the House Chess Competition will be held on Wednesday 12 October. Teams are displayed on the Chess notice board. Just a reminder that there will be **no Chess Club in Week 1 of Term 4**.

Remember “The most powerful weapon in Chess is to have the next move.” I look forward to seeing the Chess Club boys next term. Thank you.

**Mrs S J Hardwick**
## Calendar of Events 10 – 15 October 2011

### Monday 10 October
- **8:40am**  Term 4 Commences *(Summer Uniform)*
- Julian Gold Oral Reading Class Rounds begin (3-4)
- **10:00am**  Assembly (5-6) (6T- Healey)
- **3:00pm**  After School Sport Training begins

### Tuesday 11 October
- **7:30am – 8:20am**  ‘Bat and Ball’ Cricket Coaching begins (2-4)
- **10:00am**  Assembly (3-4) (4L - Healey)
- **12:45pm**  Swimming Team Training begins

### Wednesday 12 October
- **8:50am**  House Meetings Session #1 (3-6)
- **12:30pm – 2:30pm**  House Chess Competition

### Thursday 13 October
- **7:30am – 8:20am**  ‘Bat and Ball’ Cricket Coaching (5-6)
- **1:00pm – 1:30pm**  Visit to Sir Eric Woodward School

### Friday 14 October
- **7:45am – 8:20am**  Morning Fitness (2-6)
- **10:00am**  Assembly (K-2) (Kindergarten Display)
- **3:00pm**  Newsletter

### Saturday 15 October
- Summer Sport Round 7

### 2011 Term Dates
- Term IV  Monday 10 October – Tuesday 6 December (Presentation Day)

### 2012 Term Dates
- **Monday 30 January**  – Orientation Day (New boys)
- Term 1  Tuesday 31 January – Thursday 5 April
- Term 11  Thursday 26 April – Tuesday 26 June
- Term III  Thursday 19 July – Friday 14 September
- Term IV  Monday 8 October – Tuesday 4 December (Presentation Day)