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# Open Night 2022







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# Acknowledgement of Country



Wall painting by our Aboriginal students  
Dyalgala Room, School Library



Riley and Chris  
Year 10





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Collage of  
Year 12  
Visual Arts  
Major Works  
2021

## Schedule

Welcome	Ms Vicki Stavros
Acknowledgement of Country	Riley and Chris
Principal	Mrs Sharon Byron
School Captains	Emily and Drew
HT Student Wellbeing	Ms Kirsty Marquis
Musical Item	Year 10
Reflecting on Year 7	Ellen and Clarice
HT iThrive	Ms Laura Smith
Technology	Ms Ros Lamaro



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# Principal's Address



Mrs Byron

Picnic Point High School was established in 1962. This year our school will celebrate its 60th anniversary.

There are approximately 1000 students with a staff of 90 including teachers and support staff. We offer a diverse curriculum while maintaining a strong, nurturing student welfare program focused on engaging students within a culture of support and high expectation.

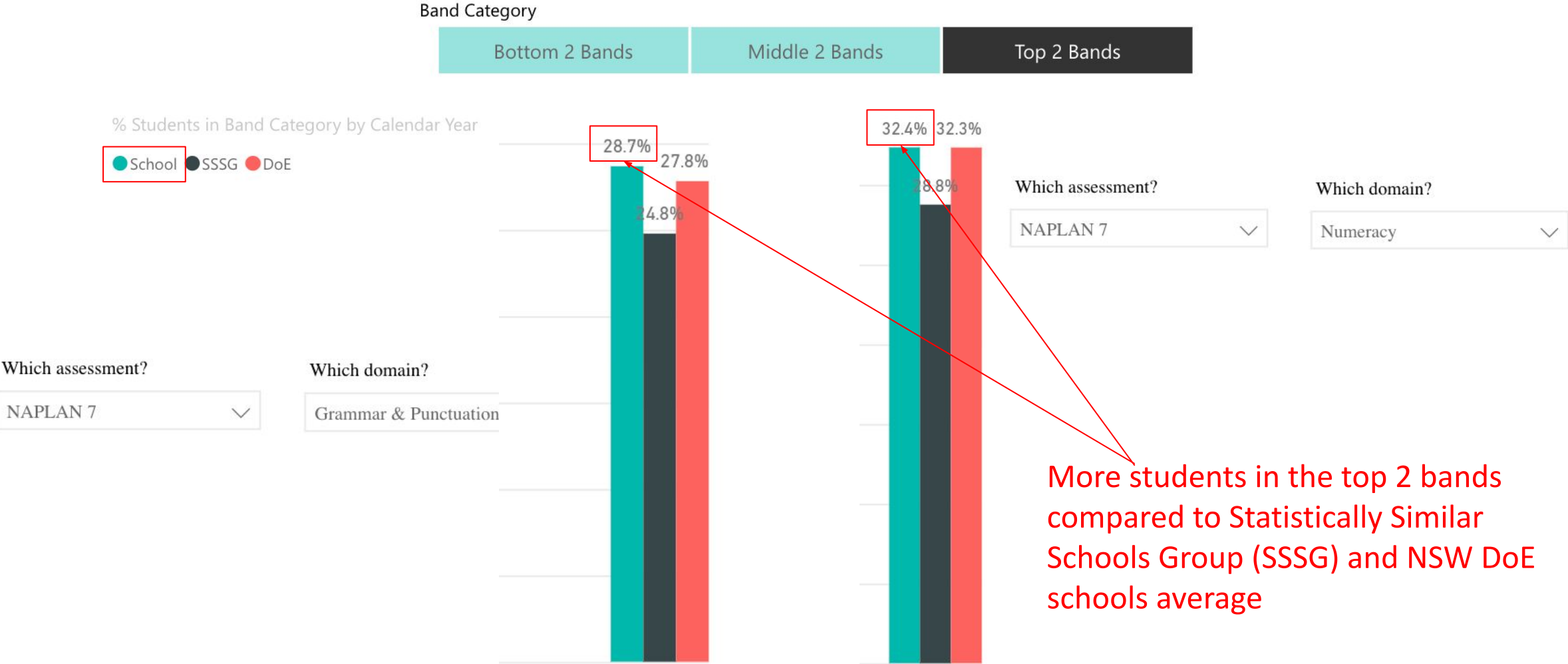




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# What Picnic Point High offers

- Well established common values: Respect Responsibility Participation
- Safe, caring and inclusive learning environment
- Students are known, valued and cared for
- Academic success at HSC level and NAPLAN
- Successful transition programs
- Differentiated teaching and learning for HPGE (extension) students
- Wide range of social, cultural, sporting and leadership opportunities
- Career and work education planning
- Bespoke wellbeing initiatives
- Supportive Indigenous programs







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# NAPLAN 2021

At least 5% less students in the bottom 2 bands compared to Statistically Similar Schools Group (SSSG) and NSW DoE schools average

Band Category

Bottom 2 Bands

% Students in Band Category by Calendar Year

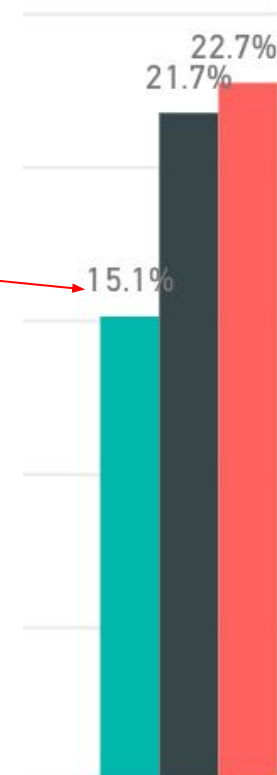
☒ School ☐ SSSG ☐ DoE

Which assessment?

NAPLAN 9

Which domain?

Numeracy



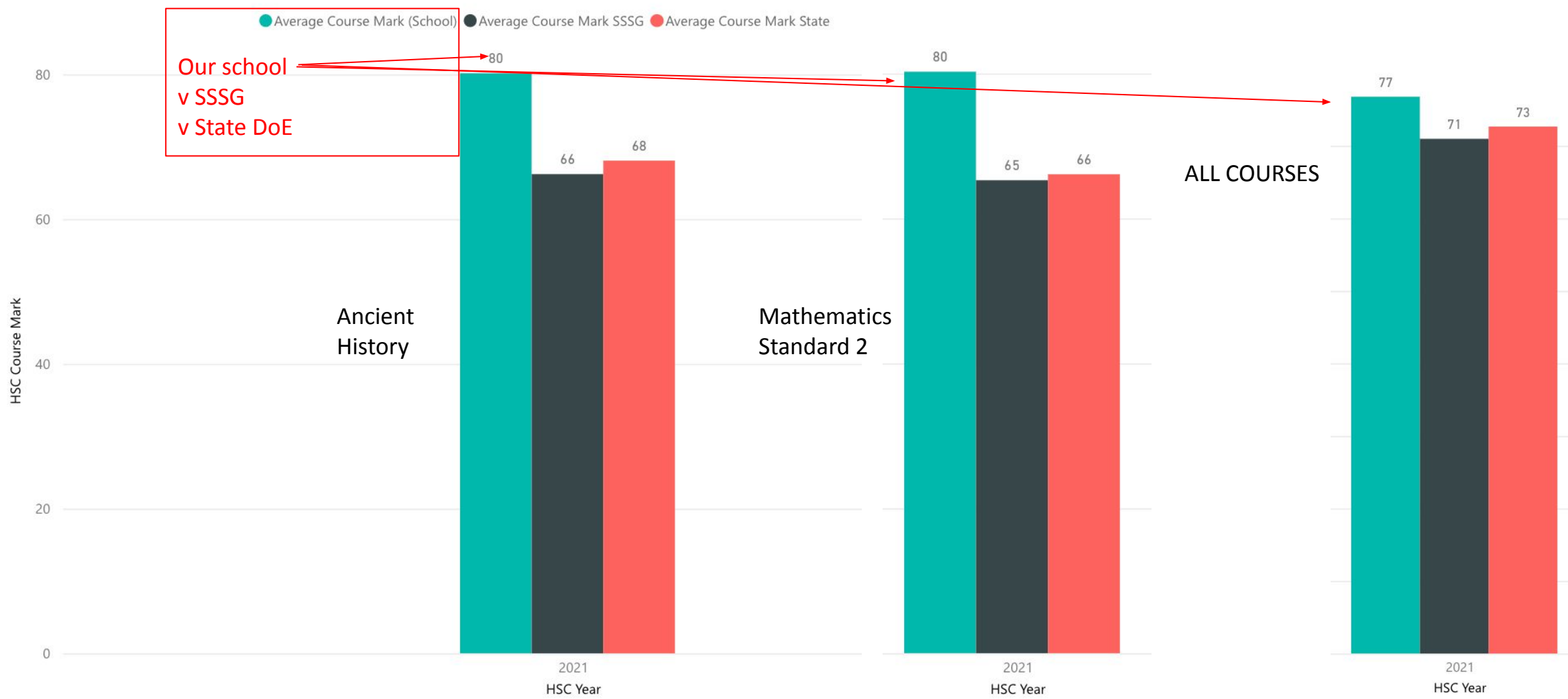


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# HSC 2021

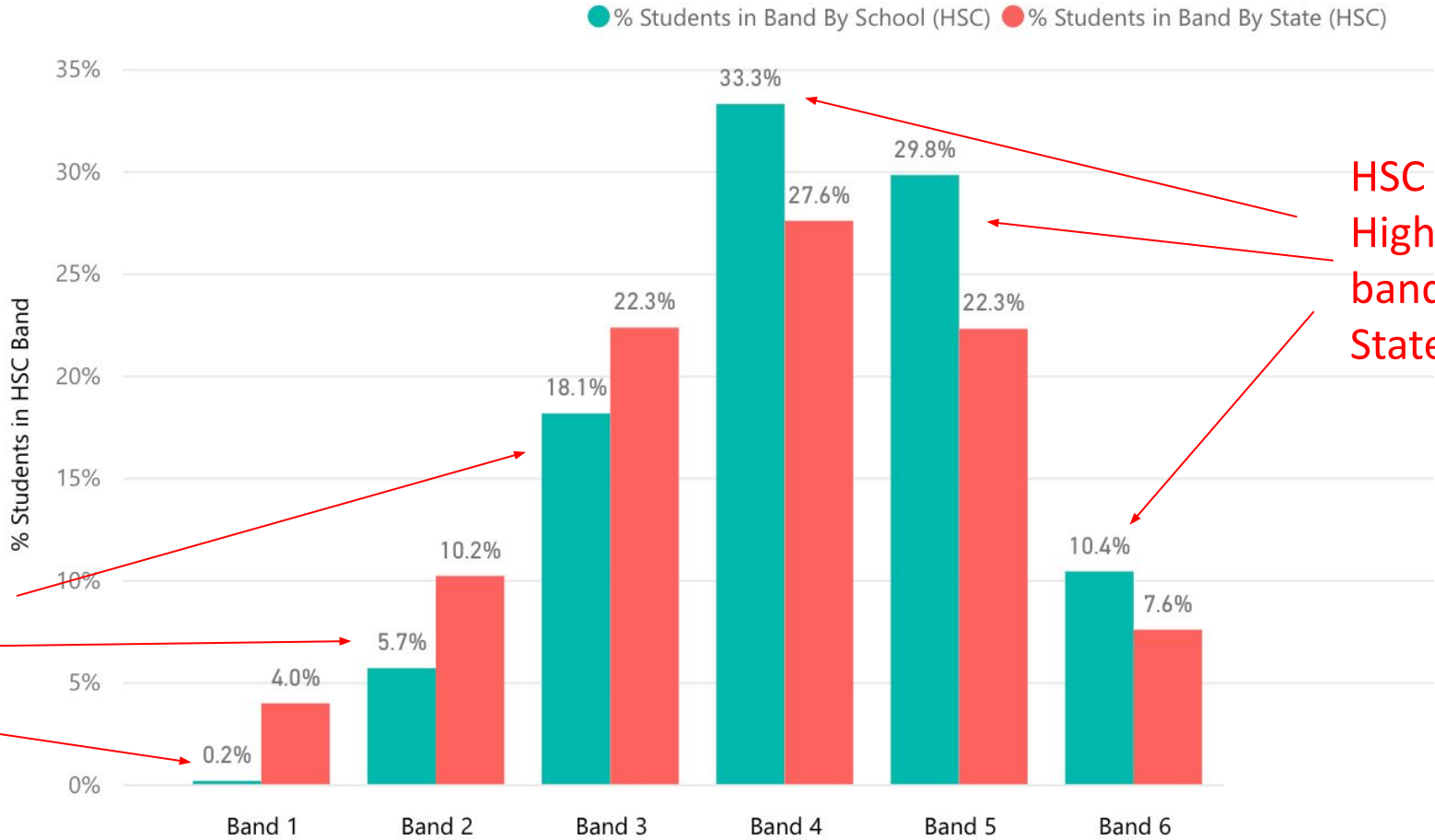
Average HSC Course Mark-School, SSSG, State







Distribution of Students in HSC Bands



PPHS students received less band 1, 2 and 3s than the State DoE school average.

HSC students at Picnic Point High School received more band 4, 5 and 6s than the State DoE school average.



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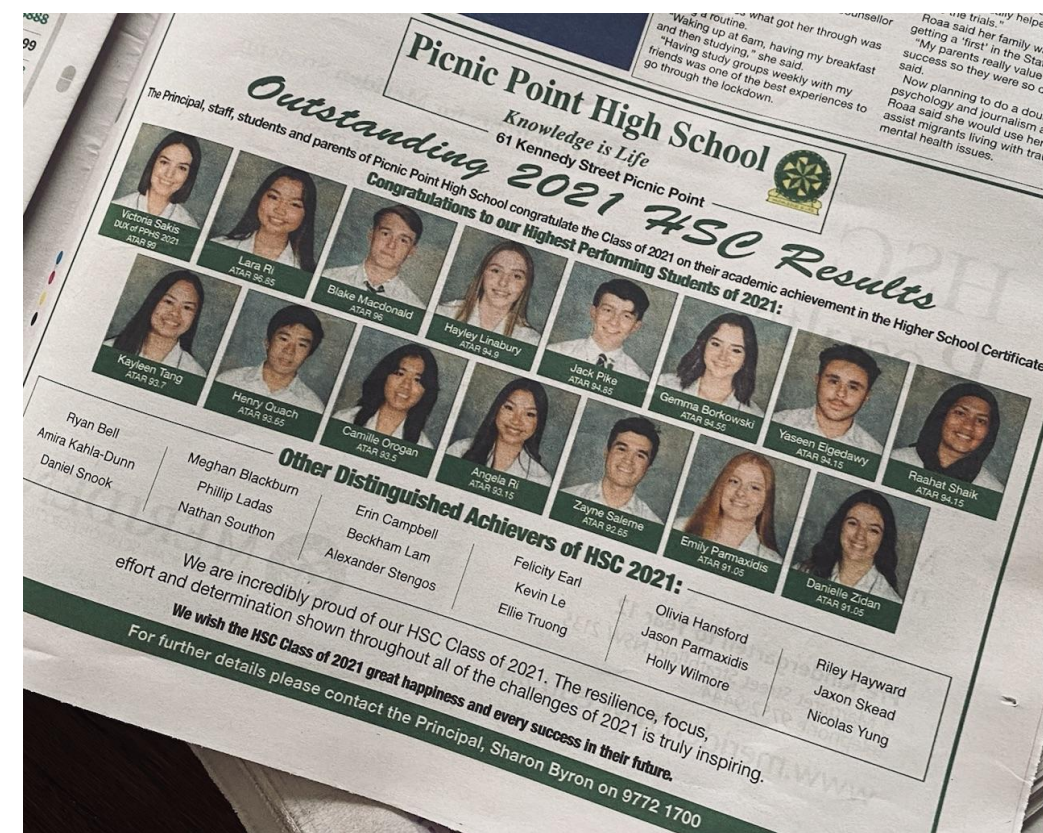
## ATAR results

Highest ATAR 99

16 students scored an ATAR of 90 and over;

86 students achieved 76 band 6s and 194 band 5s;

37 student results were published on the NESA Distinguished Achievers list.







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# HSC 2021



The Sydney Morning Herald

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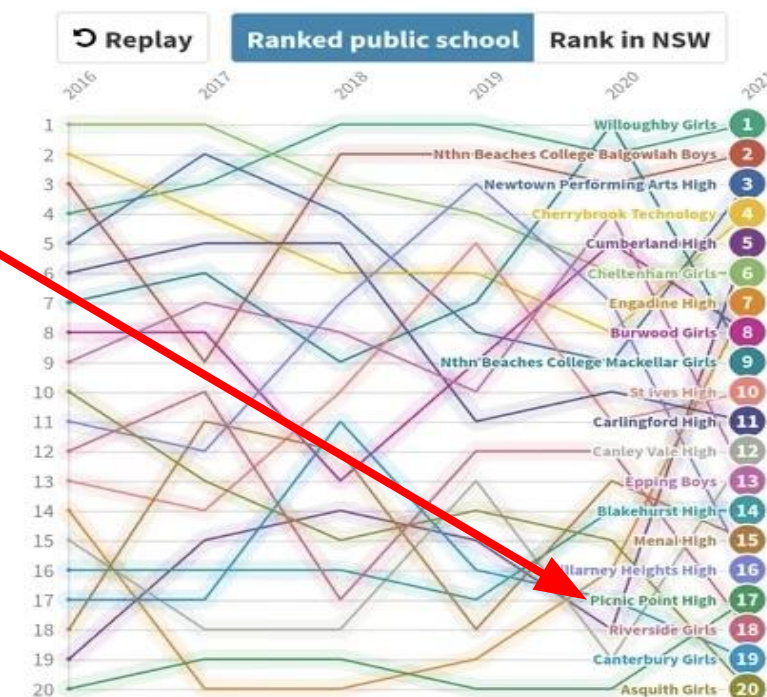
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	2021
High scores	79
Entries	627
HSC students	122
Success rate	12.60%

The median success rate for schools in NSW was 5.47%

Ranked 17th

## HSC 2021 Top comprehensive public schools



Source: NSW Education Standards Authority

A Flourish chart



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# Choosing Picnic Point for your child

## **Selection Criteria - Non Local Students**

- Preference for co-educational v single sex schooling
- Student wellbeing or compassionate circumstances

## **Selection Criteria - Local Students**

- All students have the option of attending a co-educational or single sex school
- NSW Department of Education determined boundaries

Check your address via the school finder

<https://schoolfinder.education.nsw.gov.au/>





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# Our School

## TERM 1 UPDATE

NSW Department of Education – School Infrastructure



Picnic Point High School Upgrade



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## **School Captains**

Emily Papagianopoulos and  
Drew Steinfurth





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# Student Wellbeing

Picnic Point High School has a dedicated **wellbeing team**:

Senior Executive – Deputy Principals and the Principal

Head Teacher Student Wellbeing

Head Teacher Special Education/Learning and Support

Year Advisers

Assistant Advisers

Girls' Supervisor

School Counsellors

Student Support Officer

Home School Liaison Officer

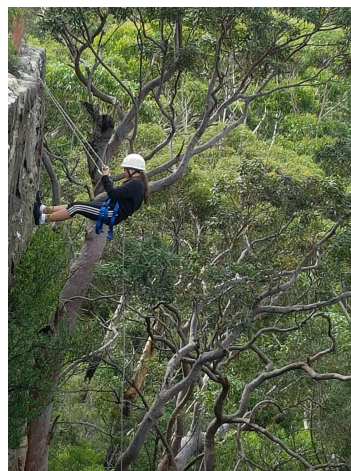


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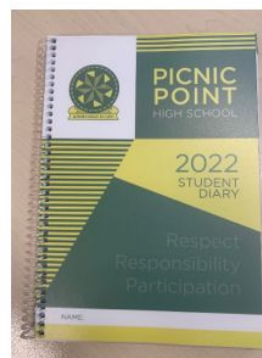
# Student Wellbeing

## Year 7 Camp

### Peer Support Program



Transition Programs  
Year 6-7  
Stage 4-5  
Stage 5-6  
Post school



Year 7  
Study Skills



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_





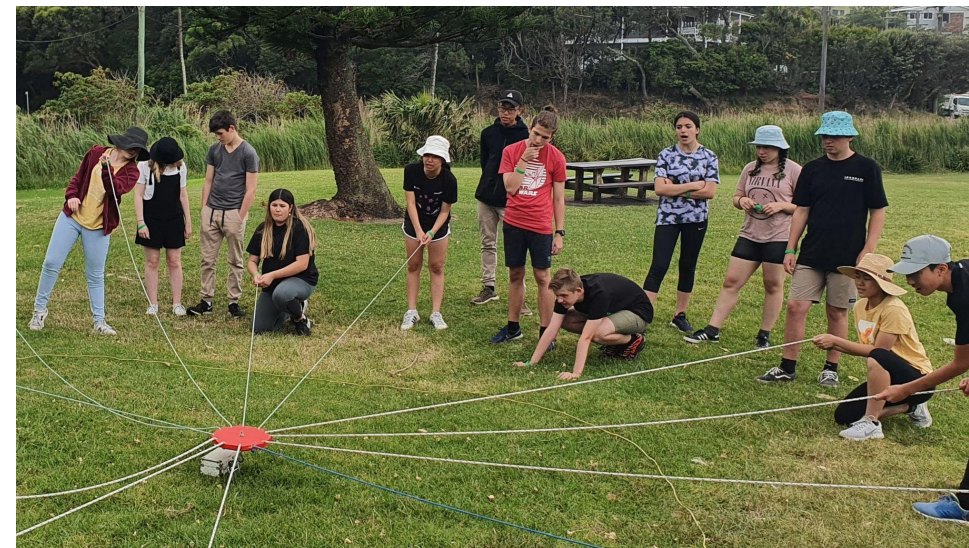
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# Student Leadership

The Student Leadership Program offers students the opportunity to learn leadership skills and refine their ability to lead.



Leadership Workshops



Leadership Camp





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# Extra curricular activities



Choir / Band



Technology Free Tuesday -  
Chess Tournaments



Pet Therapy  
sessions



School Knockout Teams



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# Special Education and Learning and Support

## Head Teacher Special Education - Ms Menezes

- 2 x IO classes, 1 IM class
- A Life Skills syllabus across all Key Learning Areas as well as a modified, differentiated literacy and numeracy program.
- Community Access Days: Student participate in life skills activities within the local community.
- Outdoor Recreation program
- Work Experience Program for students in Stages 5 and 6 Life Skills

## Head Teacher Learning and Support - Mrs Harding

The Learning and Support Team provide in class assistance as well as 1:1 and small group support.

Our staff also organise Special Provisions for students sitting external exams such as NAPLAN and HSC.

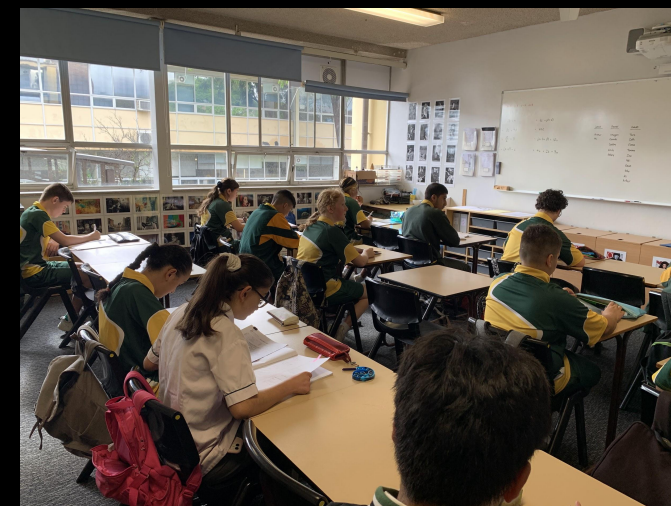




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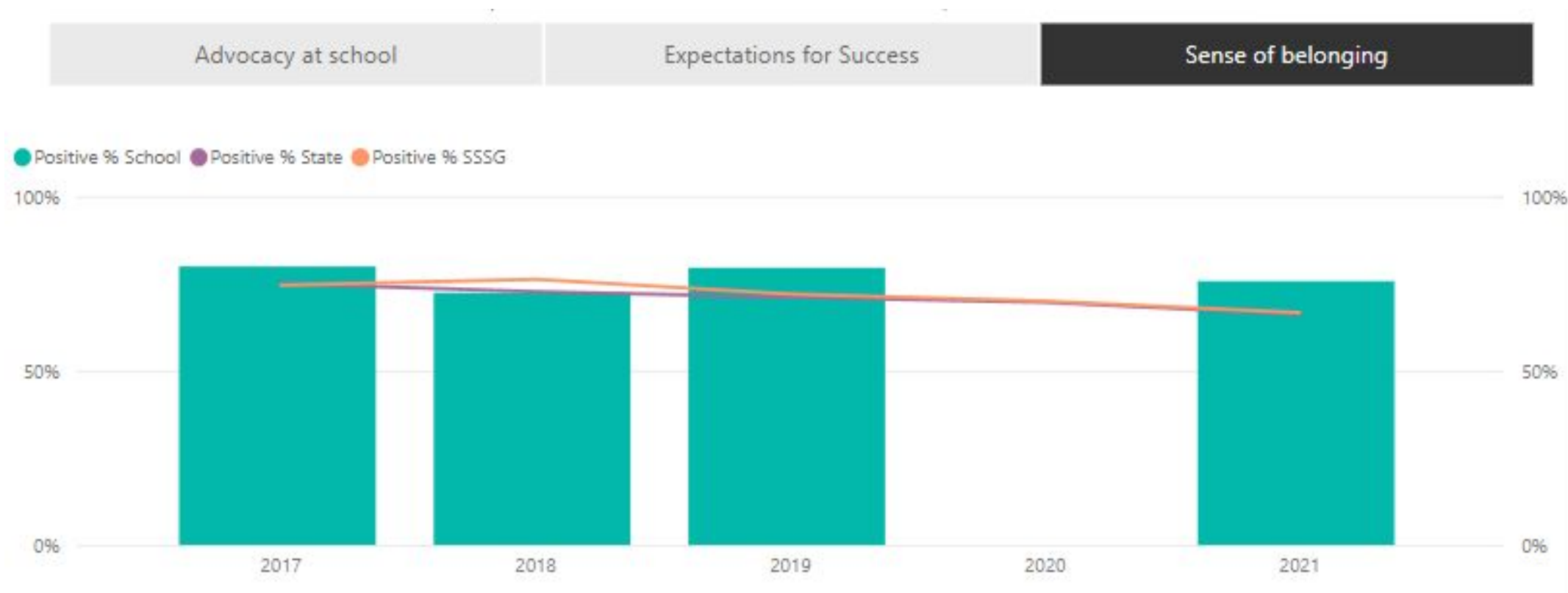
# Musical Item







- Students who feel a sense of belonging in Year 7 are more successful at school.
- Year 7 students @ PPHS consistently report a sense of belonging ABOVE state average.
- How do we set our students up to feel that they belong to our PPHS community?







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## Year 6-7 Transition

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- Students complete a mini-project
- Stage 4 STEM Connection
- Identity as a Learner
- Peer Support



## Who am I behind the (face) mask?



### DISCOVER

- \* Who am I as a learner? What are my learning strengths? What do I find challenging at school? (You completed this activity in the last booklet!)
- \* What are the inner layers of my personality?
- \* What are my interests outside of school?
- \* Who are the inspiring people I admire?
- \* What are my hopes and aspirations for my future?
- \* **EXTENSION:** What do I feel passionately about?

### CREATE

- \* Use Canva, Minecraft, music, creative writing, video, Lego, art, 3D modelling or another medium to create a UNIQUE product that addresses the "Discover" questions.
- \* Work through the "Creation" steps in your booklet.
- \* Upload your unique product onto your digital portfolio and write your reflection.

### SHARE

- \* Present your unique product and digital portfolio to your Year 7 teachers at our meet and greet session.
- \* Display your unique product in the Year 7 2022 "Museum of Us".



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iThrive is an integrated curriculum subject.

iThrive lessons account for 13 periods per cycle.

In Year 7, literacy and numeracy underpin everything we do.

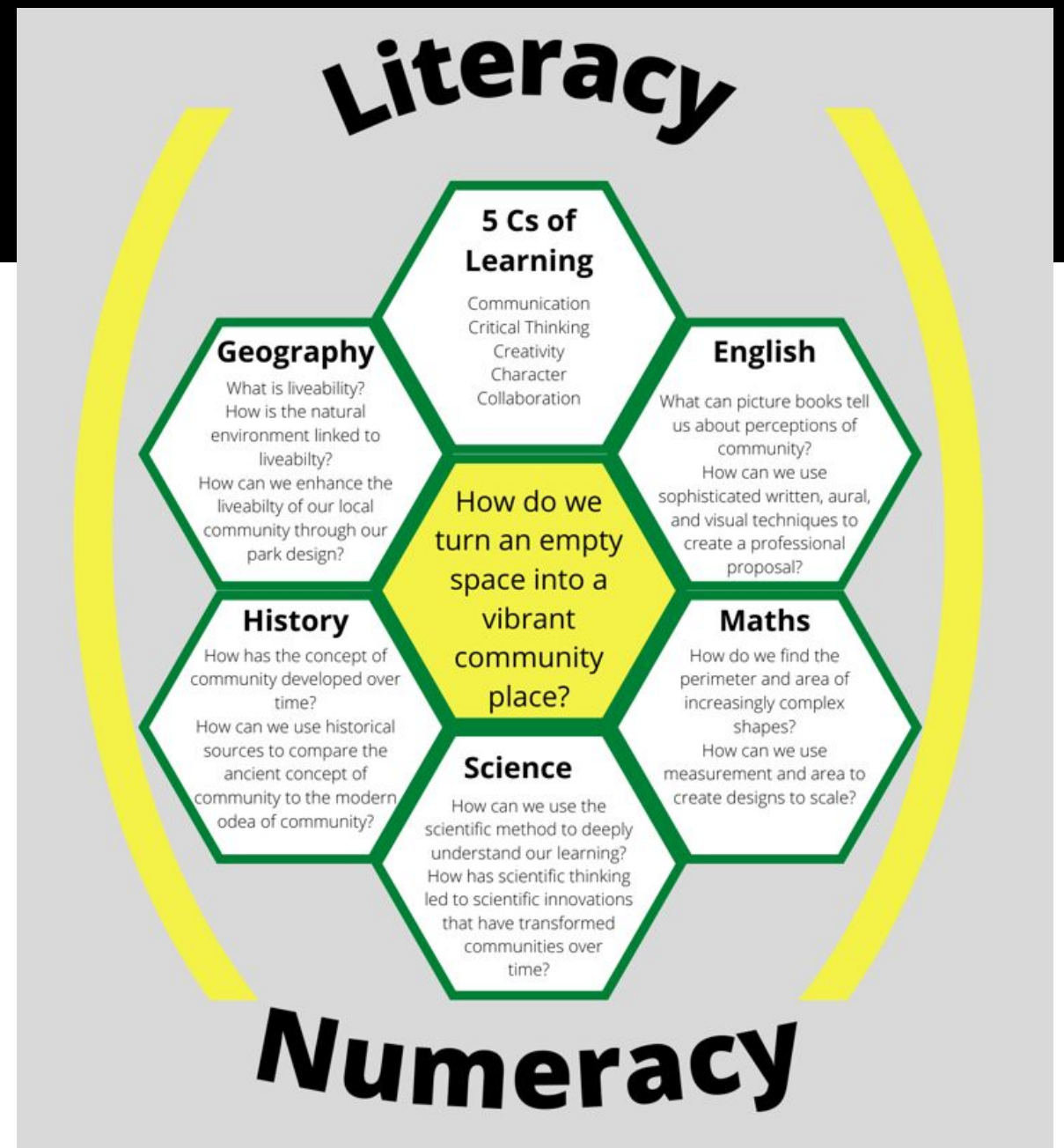
iThrive 7E We are 7E! Memories Project 1- Who am I? Project 2- Community Project 3- Survivor Project 4- Digital Health Ca... More ▾



## 7E ITHRIVE 2021

### Mission Statement

- iThrive is a cross-curriculum program which integrates the key learning areas of English, Maths, Science, History and Geography into one, condensed setting.
- The aim of this subject is to give students real world learning experiences where they can apply their knowledge to complete specific projects each term.
- These projects will involve exploring the type of learner students aspire to be, improving a local park in the community, surviving in an uncertain world and creating a website to promote a health or wellbeing issue.
- We aim to build meaningful connections to learning through our 5C's of Thriving- Collaboration, Communication, Creativity, Critical Thinking and Character.







High Potential and Gifted Education

- Stage 4 Extension classes
- Stage 5 Extension classes
- Stage 5 Electives: Psychology, STEM (2023!), History Elective.
- Extension opportunities: STEM, tutoring, creative writing with partner school, leadership, sporting.

Name	The PURPOSE of this documentary is... INFORM/ PERSUADE/ ENTERTAIN	EXTENSION: Evidence- What features give us clues about the purpose?
My Octopus Teacher		
A Life on Our Planet		
Free Solo		

Extension Reading:

<https://www.sbs.com.au/topics/voices/culture/article/2017/09/29/one-woman-photographed-true-beauty-all-around-world>

Read the article and write 10 questions that you could ask about the article. Try to structure your questions using **Blooms**, building the critical nature of your questions by creating higher order thinking questions such as evaluations or creating something to demonstrate their knowledge.





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# Reflecting on Year 7



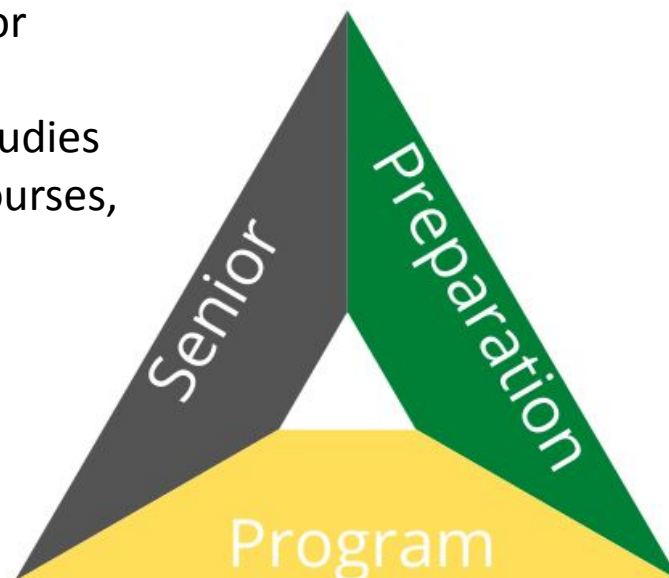


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# Year 10 - 11 Transition

## SPP

- Developed in 2021 by our staff for our students.
- Preparing students for Stage 6 studies including Preliminary and HSC courses, TAFE or work.
- Prioritising -
  - ◆ Examination techniques
  - ◆ Organisation skills
  - ◆ Goal setting
  - ◆ Work readiness
  - ◆ Life planning
- A timetabled lesson each week for Year 10 students.
- Fostering high expectations, growth and improvement, self-regulation and motivation in all students for all pathways.







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# Technology

## Technology and BYOD

- Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) @PPHS commenced with Year 7 in 2021.
- Why BYOD?
  - ◆ Whole school Wi-Fi upgrade in 2019 providing free and secure internet access for students.
  - ◆ Benefits of using laptops v mobile phones for classroom research
    - larger screen, full size keyboard
    - \$\$\$ laptop < \$\$\$ mobile phone
- In 2023
  - ◆ 50% of students will be BYOD
  - ◆ 50% of classrooms will have new 75" Interactive Panelboards
- Equity - options available - please contact the office after your child's enrolment is confirmed.

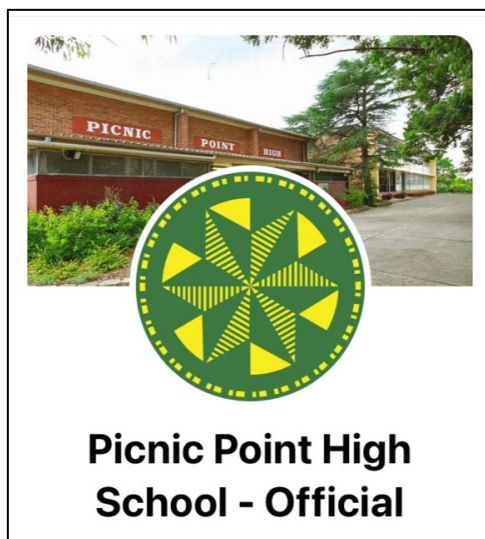




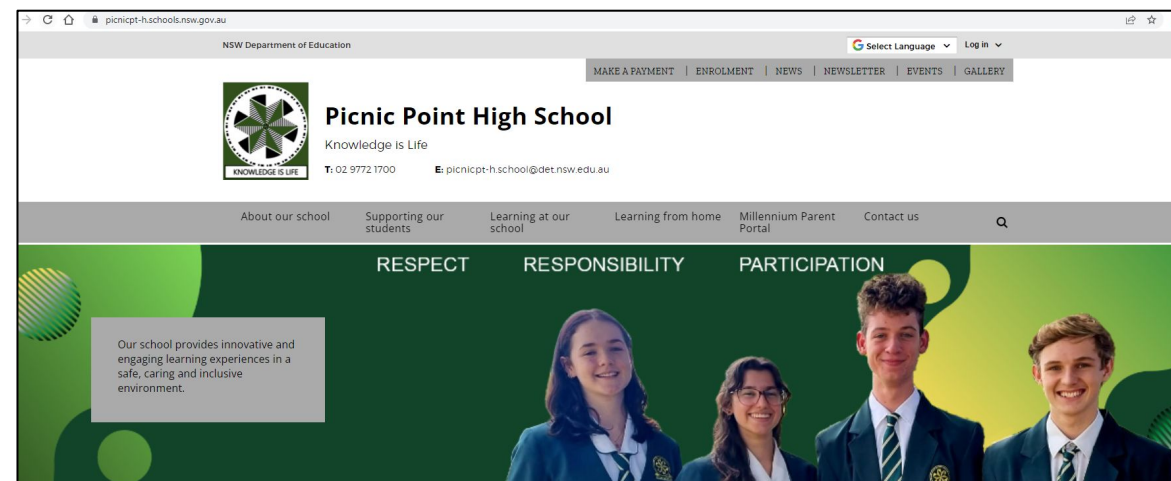
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Save the date

**ORIENTATION DAY**  
**29.11.22**



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Thank you!

We look forward to seeing you at PPHS  
in Term 4.