



THE POINT

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Term 4, Wk 3 - 4 @ PPHS

Tuesday 30 October 2018

Year 12 Graduation and Big Day Out 2018



Six years ago, the 'Class of 2018' sat in the school hall for the first time as Year 7 students. It is hard to believe they have now graduated! I am so proud of the mature, young and capable adults they have all become. The Graduation Ceremony, which was held on the 28th September, celebrated and acknowledged their achievements in front of a hall filled with family, friends, staff, students and special guests. The ceremony showcased many outstanding performances, speeches and awards from an extremely talented year group. Their final celebration will be an evening of glamorous frocks and suits, amazing food and non-stop dancing at the Year 12 Formal, which will be held on the 15th November. Our students are currently completing their HSC Examinations and we wish them all the very best. At the end of Term Three, the Picnic Point High School community celebrated the achievements of Year 12 at their final year meeting, the Big Day Out and the prestigious Golden Boot competition. During the final year meeting, students heard farewell speeches from their teachers and in return wrote thank you messages for their teachers. Year 12 music performed "Take on Me" which encouraged a whole year sing along and we ended the meeting with a raffle for a myriad of high quality prizes!

The Golden Boot is the annual competition where Year 12 students vs the staff in 3 different sports. The first leg was netball, where the teachers overcame a late student comeback to hold on to a 19-18 point win. The students were able to overcome this set back with a solid performance in the basketball. This meant that the soccer match would become the tie breaker. The students were up 1-0 early on in the game and just as the staff were starting to gain some momentum it turned into 2-0, then 3-0, and in the dying seconds a final goal was scored. Final result: Students: 4 Staff: 0. Congratulations to the students for retaining the Golden Boot! The Big Day out was held on Thursday, 27th September. Students jumped aboard two coaches and headed towards a 'mystery location' which was finally revealed as Centennial Parklands. The weather was perfect and so was the behaviour of our students. It was a great day of relaxing, mingling and sporting endeavours, including our infamous game of Biff. All topped off with a BBQ and can of drink. Everyone from the staff to students had a wonderful day and it was the perfect way to end their final day as students at Picnic Point High School, before Graduation Day. It has been an incredibly rewarding experience to oversee the education and welfare of these fine individuals for the past six years and we will miss them dearly. On behalf of Mrs Harding, we wish our graduating Year 12 students the very best for the future. We hope they don't forget us, we certainly won't forget them! Ms Martin



TERM 4, WEEK 3A		
Monday	29.10.18	Yr 12 HSC Day 8 Yr 9 Asses: Food Technology & English Pd 1 Yr 8 Asses: Geography
Tuesday	30.10.18	Yr 12 HSC Day 9
Wednesday	31.10.18	Yr 12 HSC Day 10 Yr 10 Asses: Japanese & Geography Yr 9 Asses: Psychology, 1ST Yearly Exam Yr 8 Asses: English Pd 1
Thursday	1.11.18	Yr 12 HSC Day 11 Yr 10 Asses: Japanese Yearly Examination Yr 7 Asses: English Pd 5 School spectacular D'ARTS Rehearsal
Friday	2.11.18	Yr 12 HSC Day 12 Yr 10 Assess: Japanese, Geography Yr 9 Assess: PDHPE, 9I Pd 3 Yr 8 Assess: English Pd 2, 4, 5 Yr 7 Assess: English Pd 1 Support Unit Swimming Revesby pool

TERM 4, WEEK 4B		
Monday	5.11.18	Yr 12 HSC Day 13 Yr 10 Assess: Maths 5.1 Pd 5 Yr 9 Assess: PDHPE Pd 5 10 Support Unit Yoga
Tuesday	6.11.18	Yr 12 HSC Day 14 Yr 10 Maths Stage 5.3 Task 4 Yr 7 Assess Geography Pd 2 & Science
Wednesday	7.11.18	Yr 12 HSC Day 15 Yr 12 2018 HSC Information Night Yr 10 Assess: Science Yr 9 Assess: Maths 5.1 Pd 3 & PDHPE Pd 4, 5 Schools Spectacular Rehearsal - all day
Thursday	8.11.18	Yr 12 HSC Day 16 Yr 10 Assess: Mandatory History Pd 2 Yr 7 Assess: Geography Pd 5
Friday	9.11.18	Yr 12 HSC Day 17 Yr 10 Assess: Mandatory History Pd 5 Yr 7 Assess: Geography Pd 1 & 4 IM Class Community Excursion

Archibull Prize

The class 7E have recently completed a competition called 'The Archibull Prize 2018'. Each school who entered the competition were given a different agriculture industry to study. We had to study the Wool Industry. The process of painting our bull was a long and hard journey that taught our class about teamwork and co-operation. Before we painted our bull we had to do a lot of research to understand the importance of supporting the Australian Wool Industry. We learnt so much about the different jobs that are associated with the Wool Industry such as; farmers, vets, wool classifiers, auctioneers, fashion designers and scientists (just to name a few). We called our bull 'Moocolm Turnwool – leader of the Wool Industry'. Layers of paint were applied after a long design process. We made approximately 100 pom poms to fill the jersey on the bull. The judges came to our school last Thursday. They interviewed five members of our class. They were impressed with our design and asked lots of question about our design process. When we found out we were finalist we are extremely proud of our class. This has been a fantastic class project and we hope we can be apart of this again next year.



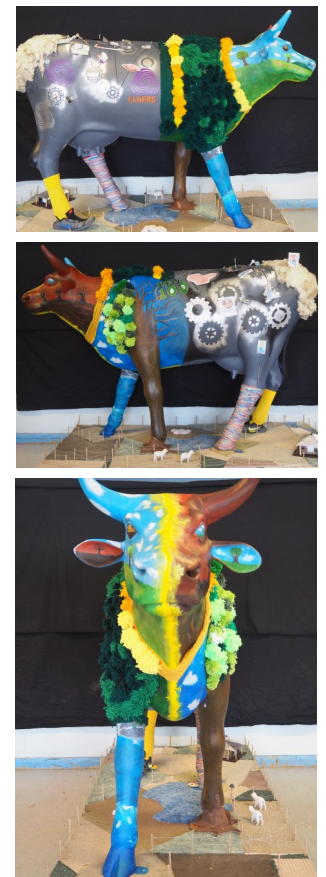
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<https://art4agriculturechat.wordpress.com/2018/10/03/vote-for-your-favourite-archie-pick-the-peoples-choice-winner-for-the-archibull-prize-2018/>

Visit our Archibull Blog:

<https://picnicpoint-archibull.weebly.com/>

By Brayden Cook and Beau Lucas from 7E



Japan Excursion 2018

During the September school holidays, 17 students from Picnic Point High School, along with Ms Marquis, Miss Wu and Mr Mackinder embarked on an amazing 2 week excursion to Japan.



On this unforgettable experience, we visited the cities of Tokyo, Hiroshima, Fukuchiyama, Kyoto and Osaka. We visited renowned sites that ranged from bustling and electric Akihabara, to sacred sites such as Mt Fuji and the Meiji Temple. Students and teachers alike were introduced to new experiences and challenges, whether it was trying new foods or using a squat toilet! Perhaps the most memorable moment for many was the home stay, where students lived with Japanese families for 3 nights, experiencing the Japanese lifestyle.



The entire group surrounded ourselves with each other's hilarity and companionship, ultimately growing closer as friends. We thank the teachers for their hard work in organising the trip and dealing with our nonsense and excitement, making even the standard travel moments even better.



We recommend the trip for anyone who is willing to be adventurous alongside new and old friends, because it was an amazing experience!!

By Dylan Bennett and Noah Vando

