



THE POINT

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Term Two, Week 7

Tuesday 12 June 2018

YEAR 11 CAMP 2018



On Wednesday 30th May, the Year 11 students of Picnic Point High School left for their camp at Kincumber. Shuffling into school at 7:30am with our suitcases behind us and pillows in hand ready to go, we couldn't wait to get on the buses and go back to sleep. Once we had arrived after our 3 hour journey, most of us just waking up from our bus naps, we knew we were going to be in for an eventful 3 days. For the next 3 days we swung on the giant swing, rock climbed, walked amongst the treetops in the high ropes course, canoed and took the leap of faith. Our trivia/challenge night divided the girls and boys, with the girls becoming the overall winners (no surprise there) and the boys being left to live with their defeat. Although the activities were all amazing in their own ways, nothing could top the fun that was had at our Thursday night disco, which gave all of us life long memories as well as a few too many photos that we will keep for many more years to



come. However, camp wasn't all fun and games as we spent a bit of time learning and discussing the choices we make in life, thanks to the Crossroads program led by one of our instructors Meg. Throughout our three days at camp most of us overcame many different challenges that brought us closer to people we may not have been close to before. Whether it was our fear of heights or the internal conflict of choosing between staying clean or plunging ourselves into freezing cold mud. Overall, Year 11 camp was a major success and something that all students who attended will remember.



A big thank you to Ms Ashton, Ms MacDonald, Mr Bleyerveen, Ms Remy, Ms Flavell, Mr Poolman, Mr Giorgio and Mr Millican for volunteering their time to join us at camp and for helping us have a fantastic experience. Report prepared by Samantha Croft

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TERM 2, WEEK 7A	
Monday 11.6.18	Public Holiday
Tuesday 12.6.18	Boys and Girls Open Soccer Yr 8 Battle of the Bands
Wednesday 13.6.18	Maths Olympiad Competition Yr12 RSA & RCG Training Yr11 Assess - Ancient History p4 Yr7/8 Metro Debating
Thursday 14.6.18	Yr 12 Assess - Ancient History p2 Yr 12 Assess - English Standard/Adv p3 Yr 10 Assess—Food Technology Belonging Day Excursion Regional Cross Country TAFE Yes Program
Friday 15.6.18	Yr 11 Camp Yr 12 Assess - Dance Yr 10 Assess - Japanese Yr 9 Assess - Commerce, Int. Studies Yr 8 Assess - Geography, Japanese

TERM 2, WEEK 8B	
Monday 18.6.18	Yr12 Assess - Chemistry p2 Yr 11 Assess: Society & Culture p3, p4 IOI/IO2 YMCA Gymnastics Exc 9am—11am P&C Meeting 6.30pm
Tuesday 19.6.18	Yr 12 - Universities Presentation p2-3 Yr11 Assess - Chemistry p1 Spotlight Dance Festival Yr 9 'Cheap Thrills' Welfare Presentation p1
Wednesday 20.6.18	Yr 12 Assess: Society & Culture p2, p5
Thursday 21.6.18	Yr 12 Assess - Economics p1 Yr 11 Assess - Chemistry p3 Yr 9 Assess - IST p3 TAFE Yes Program
Friday 22.6.18	Yr 12 Assess - Maths p1, Legal Studies p3 Yr 11 Assess - CAFS, Bus St p3 p5, Food Tech p5 Yr 10 Assess - English p3 IM Class Community Excursion



Reconciliation Week 2018

Reconciliation Week was held at Picnic Point High School during Week 5, Term 2.

The week celebrated indigenous history and culture and helped to promote reconciliation discussion and activities throughout the school. A range of exciting events including trivia questions, buroinjin, soccer and an 'Indigenous All Stars' touch football game were held during the week. Over 80 NRL tickets were given away as rewards for excellent student participation and a 'Reconciliation BBQ' was also conducted on Friday.

The 'Gamarada Trophy', awarded for the first time this year, was presented to Reegan Donovan of Year 12. He received the award after displaying respect, dignity, cultural awareness and sportsmanship throughout the week's activities. Congratulations Reegan!

Mr R Montague
Aboriginal Education Coordinator



IN CONCERT 2018

On Tuesday 22 May, the Picnic Point High School Singers performed at The Sydney Town Hall at *In Concert* as members of the 500 piece Combined DEC Secondary Choir. This year, *In Concert* featured the internationally renowned award-winning vocal ensemble *The Idea of North*.

Over the past two months, students have been learning repertoire before school each Wednesday morning and participated in two combined rehearsals for Sydney metropolitan schools. On the day of the performance, students participated in a whole day rehearsal working with *The Idea of North*, *NSW Public Schools Symphony Orchestra* and the full 500 piece Choir.

This has been a unique and exciting opportunity for our students. Congratulations to all of the students that participated – your commitment and dedication to learning the repertoire was evident through your confident singing at the Concert. This is the fourth year that our school has participated in the In Concert program and we look forward to participating at *In Concert* in the future.

Ms Lisa Gourlay
HT Creative & Performing Arts

