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# Term 1 Week 1 and 2 Picnic Point High School Update

**14 February 2022** 

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### Dear families

Welcome to a new school year. I hope that you had a wonderful and relaxing holiday and are ready for the 2022 academic year. I have met the new Year 7 students and they appear to be thoroughly enjoying their high school experience thus far. The other year groups are settling in well and adjusting to the 'new normal' that COVID has created.

I wish to begin by saying I am incredibly proud of our HSC Class of 2021. The resilience, focus, effort and determination shown throughout all the challenges of 2020 and 2021 is truly inspiring. Please see below our high achievers.

Victoria Sakis ATAR (99), Lara Ri (96.85), Blake Macdonald (96), Hayley Linabury (94.9), Jack Pike (94.85), Gemma Borkowski (94.55), Yaseen Elgedawy (94.15), Raahat Shaik (94.15), Kayleen Tang (93.7), Henry Quach (93.65), Camille Orogan (93.5), Angela Ri (93.15), Zayne Saleme (92.65), Amira Kahla-Dunn (92.3), Emily Parmaxidis (91.05), Danielle Zidan (91.05).

I would like to welcome our new staff listed below. I would also like to inform you of the appropriate staff to contact for each year group or contact the office and a staff member will direct you to the most appropriate contact.

All the very best to all of you as we move forward in 2022.

Kind regards	New staff		Year	Year Adviser	<b>Deputy Principal</b>
Mrs Sharon Byron	Ms Adams	Science	7	Mr Harding	Ms Lamaro
Principal	Mr Anderson	History	8	Ms Roubaie	Ms Tarasenko
	Mr Goh	Mathematics	9	Mr Strbac	Ms Stavros
	Ms Hunter	English	10	Mr Arvanitis	Ms Lamaro
	Ms Kozma	Learning/Support	11	Ms Worthington	Ms Tarasenko
	Ms Nguyen	Languages	12	Ms McManus	Ms Stavros
	Ms Papagianopoulos	SASS			
	Mr Uppal	Science			

## Social Media

#### Website:

www.www.picnicpth.schools.nsw.edu.au

Facebook:

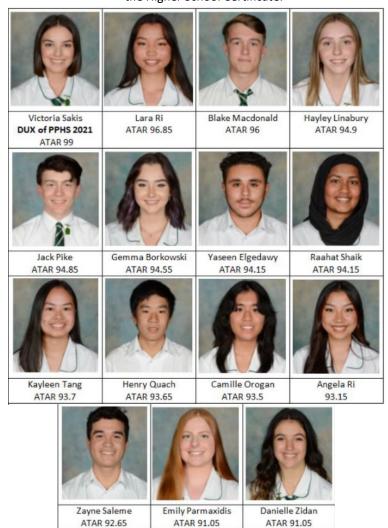
Picnic Point High School Official

Twitter: @picnicpoinths

TERM I – Week 3		TERM I- Week 4		
Monday 14.02	Prefect Valentine's Day Fundraiser	Monday 21.02	Yr 7 Peer Support P1-2 P&C Meeting (6.30pm via Zoom)	
Tuesday 15.02	Zone Trials Day 2	Tuesday 22.02		
Wednesday 16.02	Swimming Carnival Competitors only	Wednesday 23.02	Zone Swimming Carnival	
Thursday 17.02	Yr 10 Peer Support Training Yr 12 DP Morning Tea	Thursday 24.02		
Friday 18.02	Yr 10 Peer Support Training	Friday 25.02		

# **OUTSTANDING 2021 HSC RESULTS**

The Principal, staff, students and parents of Picnic Point High School congratulate the Class of 2021 on their academic achievement in the Higher School Certificate.



#### Other Distinguished Achievers of HSC 2021:

Ryan Bell	Meghan Blackburn	Erin Campbell	
Felicity Earl	Olivia Hansford	Riley Hayward	
Amira Kahla-Dunn	Phillip Ladas	Beckham Lam	
Kevin Le	Jason Parmaxidis	Jaxon Skead	
Daniel Snook	Nathan Southon	Alexander Stengos	
Ellie Truong	Holly Wilmore	Nicolas Yung	

#### In the 2021 Higher School Certificate:

- 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; and
- Picnic Point High School is ranked 17th in the top comprehensive public schools list.

We wish all our graduates the very best in their future endeavours.

Ms Vicki Stavros Deputy Principal

#### Welcome Year 7

Our Year 7 students have had a great start to high school. Their transition to high school program continues this week and is delivered via their iThrive subject. Many students have spoken to me in the playground and during their lessons and I can tell they particularly enjoy Japanese and iThrive subjects so far.

Last week our the students participated in the Best Start Year 7 Assessment. Best Start Year 7 is an online literacy and numeracy assessment available to secondary schools to assess key literacy and numeracy skills. It is designed to assist teachers to identify students who may require additional support in developing their literacy and numeracy skills. The purpose of the Best Start Year 7 assessment is to provide feedback to teachers to help identify student needs. Some results are already available and feedback will be provided to teachers who may choose to share this with students, parents and carers during teacher interview processes. Best Start Year 7 is just one of a range of assessments the school uses to assess students throughout the year.

All Year 7 parents/carers will be invited to a parent information zoom on 8/3/22, zoom meeting details will be emailed to all Year 7 families soon.

### Ms Rosalee Lamaro Deputy Principal





### **BYOD**

We are now in our second year of BYOD-Bring Your Own Device at PPHS. All Year 7 and 8 students use a laptop for learning and submit their homework to a virtual classroom - Google Classroom or Teams. Students organise their work in Google Drive or One Drive using Google Docs or Word.

Students in Year 7 and Year 8 should **ONLY** have the items pictured below in their school bag each day.

<u>NOTE:</u> A Math grid book and an A4 notepad are the only books necessary each day. All other subject work books should be left at home. Any sheets or notes should be pasted in the work book when they get home for homework. A stationery case from Officeworks for \$2.80 will help to organise a student's grid book, notepad, and any worksheets.







