



The Audience

Term 1 | Week 11 | 2017

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Week 9	
Mon 3/4	Yr 11: Ancient History Excursion (Mummies) St John's College Dubbo Visit Music Showcase Concert 1pm-2.30pm : Staff Flu Shots 3pm- 4pm : Whole Staff Meeting
Tues 4/4	Year 8: Maths Day HSPA Bini CHS Swimming Caleb Lewis Playwriting Workshop
Wed 5/4	3.30pm-5pm Executive Meeting Yr 7 & Yr 11 Parent Teacher Night
Thurs 6/4	Whole School Assembly Years 11 & 12: ARTEXPRESS Excursion
Fri 7/4	Last day of Term 1

Week 1 – TERM 2	
Mon 24/4	PUPIL FREE DAY Staff Development Day
Tues 25/4	PUBLIC HOLIDAY - ANZAC DAY Marching Band ANZAC DAY March, Sydney
Wed 26/4	Students return to school P:2 & 3 "Six Decades of Bullying" (Yr 9 and 7)
Thurs 27/4	HSPA Cross Country ANZAC Day whole school assembly Star Struck Dance Rehearsals – whole day Yr 8 ZoosnooZ Excursion
Fri 28/4	Choir rehearsal Yr 8 ZoosnooZ Excursion

From Centre Stage



We have had a series of Year Assemblies to congratulate students for their effort and application during Term 1. These assemblies are wonderful events and the performances have been outstanding. Thank you to the parents who were able to make time to attend, and congratulations to all award recipients.

Our **Year 10 Mock Trial** team showed great promise against Merewether High in their first trial. Mr Carle reports that the team have enormous potential and we look forward to following their progress!

Our large **Chess Team** competed last week (see the report in the following pages), and moved through to the next round of the competition. Thank you to Mr Bon for his passionate advocating for this wonderful game and congratulations to all participants.

Some of our keen Music students attended the '**Encore**' concert at Sydney Opera House last week and were fortunate to see the amazing talent on display. The students who came first in the state in Music Extension, Music 2 and Music 1 performed and showed our students something they can aspire to.

Our **Junior Concert Band** performed at 'Bands in the Park' at Newcastle foreshore on Saturday. The network of parent helpers we have for our band performances is amazing and we thank you very much. The bands are all sounding great and are preparing for the National Eisteddfod in May.

Our talented Year 9 and 10 Drama students spent two days last week workshoping for the **Shakespeare Festival and Showcase** on Tuesday evening. This showcase was a wonderful display of our Drama students' work, and some of our Year 10 students will now move on to the Regional Shakespeare Festival. Thank you to all drama staff for their hard work preparing this event.

Our first **Year 7 Showcase** took place On Wednesday evening, displaying the depth of quality our students have in Dance, Drama and Music. Some incredibly mature performances showed that we have much to look forward to in the years ahead.

Congratulations to **Katelyn Brunette** of Year 11, who has been selected to join the UBS Young Women's Leadership Academy, recognising her leadership potential and individual achievements. Katelyn is one of 40 young women selected across NSW for a four-day residential program at Women's College, University of Sydney. The academy aims to offer young women leaders the opportunity to build confidence, learn leadership skills and business knowledge as well as raising awareness of rising social issues. We look forward to hearing about Katelyn's experience.

We had a beautiful celebration of **Harmony Day** organised by Mrs Murton's Year 10 International Studies class. The food and entertainment were fantastic and the address by Amnesty International was thought provoking. Thank you Year 10 for your thoughtful hard work.



Harmony Day 2017

Please remember our **Parent Teacher** evening on Wednesday 5th April for Years 7 and 11. These evenings for other years will take place in Term 2.

All are welcome to attend our **P&C Meeting** on Monday night at 6pm for Primary and 7pm for Secondary. We also have a **Music Showcase** on Monday night in the theatre. So many choices!

Have a wonderful, happy and safe Easter break.

Jo Gray
Principal

Harmony Day 2017



Here in the library at HSPA we started our Harmony Day celebrations early, with students coming in before school to paint everyone's nails orange. Students really embraced the spirit of inclusion, ensuring that even staff were invited to join in.

Ms Burrett



Harmony Day in the Library

Topping the Charts

Parent/Teacher Nights – Change of Date

In order to give Year 12 parents/carers more time to discuss their child's progress with their teachers, a dedicated Yr 12 Parent/Teacher night will be held with 15 minute interview timeslots.

This additional PT night has resulted in changes to the two PT nights already advertised. See table below for details.

Year	Date	Time	Bookings open online
Years 7 and 11	Wed 5th April	3.30-6.30pm	27/3 - 3/4
Year 12	Mon 8th May	1.00-5.00pm	1/5 – 5/5
Years 8-10	Mon 15th May	3.30-6.30pm	9/5 – 12/5

Bookings can only be made through the Sentral Parent Portal
A new tab/heading will appear on the portal when bookings open.

Bookings are on a first-in, first-served basis. Please contact the office if you have any difficulty with booking interviews. See news item below for how to access the Sentral Parent Portal.

Sentral Parent Portal

All HSPA parents/carers were emailed their **personal access codes** and instructions for HSPA's Sentral Parent Portal. Emails were sent to the email address of 'Parent/Carer 1' supplied on the child's enrolment form. The Parent Portal enables parents/carers to see their child's attendance, semester reports, commendations and awards, timetable, daily notices, N Award warning letters (Years 10-12) and book interviews for Parent/Teacher nights. If a shared parenting/custody arrangement exists, a separate access code can be generated if required. If you did not receive the email, require a separate access code, have forgotten your access code or need to update your email address, please contact the Office on 49523355.

At this stage there are no parent access codes for CANVAS. If parents would like to access CANVAS, they are advised to ask their child to login.

Does HSPA have your correct email address?

The school regularly sends emails to parents/carers using the primary email address of 'Parent/Carer 1' as indicated on the child's enrolment form. It is therefore essential that parents/carers inform the school if their email address changes for any reason. Thank you for your cooperation.

New HSC Minimum Standard

Families may be already aware that from 2020, all Year 12 students in NSW must reach the minimum standard of literacy and numeracy to receive an HSC. Students in **Year 9 in 2017** will be the first students expected to meet the standard.

Students can demonstrate they meet the standard by passing the online reading, writing and numeracy tests, which will be available for students to sit in Year 10, 11 and 12, and for up to five years after beginning their first HSC courses. Students will have the first opportunity to prove they meet the standard by achieving Band 8 results or above in Year 9 NAPLAN reading, writing and numeracy tests. Students who achieve Band 8 will not need to sit the online tests later in years 10, 11 and 12. No student will be ineligible to sit for the HSC on the basis of their Year 9 NAPLAN results. Students who don't demonstrate the standard will have five years after beginning their first HSC courses to meet the minimum standard and receive an HSC. They will receive a Record of School Achievement on leaving school.

Parents/carers and students can access more information from the NESA (formerly BOSTES) website:

<http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/policy-research/stronger-hsc-standards/minimum-standard.html>

NAPLAN

Parents of Year 7 and 9 students: Information regarding NAPLAN was emailed out to all parents last Thursday. If you did not receive this information, please go to the **downloads section** of the website to obtain a copy. If your child requires an exemption, withdrawal or adjustment please complete and return the forms to school as soon as possible.

Transition to new finance system

Hunter School of the Performing Arts will transition to the new NSW Public Schools' finance system and a new bank account on 22 May 2017.

To ensure a smooth transition, there will be changes to the way we accept payments from parents and carers.

1. POP (online payments): As of 12th May 2017, we will no longer accept online payments into our current school bank account as we prepare to close this account and transition to the new one. Any payments made using POP after this date cannot be properly allocated to a student's account in a timely manner. Please ensure you have made any online payments before 12 May 2017. From 25th May 2017, POP payments will be accepted as before.

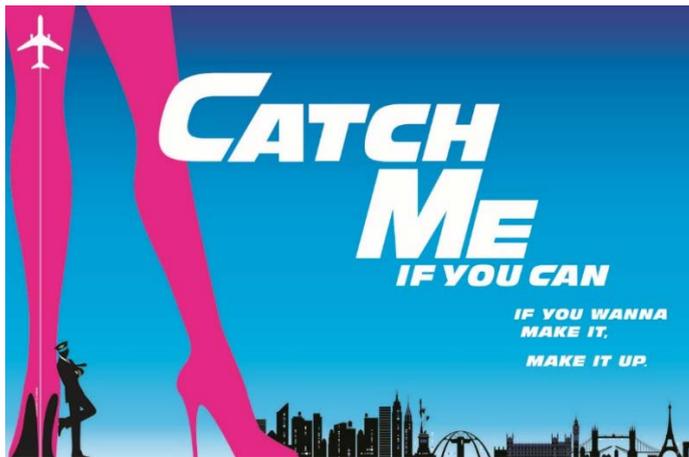
2. EFTPOS payments: We will not be able to accept EFTPOS payments between 17th May and 24th May 2017. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding EFTPOS payments before 17th May, 2017. From 25th May 2017, EFTPOS payments will be accepted as before.

3. Cash and cheque payments: Between 17th May 2017 and 24th May 2017 we will not be able to accept payments by cash or cheque as we prepare to close our current bank account and transition to the new one. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding cash or cheque payments before 17th May 2017. From 25th May 2017, cash and cheque payments will be accepted as before.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we transition to our new finance system. If you have any questions, please contact the Administration Office on 4952 3355. The school has a student assistance program to help with payment plans and in some cases reduced fees. Please contact the school to access this program.

2017 School Musical

Catch Me If You Can has been announced as the 2017 musical! Audition forms for students were due to Ms Harvey-Bice today, with auditions are being held in Week 11.



Opal Cards

Transport reminders: There are a number of students forgetting their Opal cards in the afternoon or not using it as they enter or exit the bus. Bus operators would like to remind students to tap on and tap off with their School Opal cards when they travel to and from school.

Opal data gathered by tapping on and off is used to determine demand for bus services. If students don't tap on and tap off, services may be cancelled due the lack of recorded patronage.

One of the conditions of using a School Opal card is to tap on at the beginning of your trip and tap off at the end. Your assistance will help bus operators ensure they are able to provide the appropriate level of service to your student

Sport

SPORT FEES for SEMESTER 1 are now overdue. Please assist us by finalising sport accounts ASAP.

Year 10 are reminded to access their school emails to link to **Sport Choices for Term 2**. Students must follow the link to the Google form/complete choice/download payment slip and return, signed, with payment to the cashier's office prior to the commencement of Week 11. Popular sports fill quickly, so get a wriggle on!

Year 9 and 10 want-to-be coaches must let Mr Byrne know they are available to assist with the Year 7 and 8 Sport Competitions for Term 2 & 3.

Have you returned your **Sport Permission and Medical** note? Students may not leave school grounds on sports afternoon if this form has not been returned. Verbal permission will not suffice and you will need to pick up a hard copy from the PDHPE Office or download from the HSPA website.

WAIVER FORMS for Pulse Climbing, Revolution and Springloaded need to be handed in at the PDHPE Office ASAP. Even if you are not doing these activities until later this year, it is advisable to get them signed and submitted ahead of time. Verbal permission is not accepted at these venues, so no waiver, no activity.

Year 7 Ice Skating will occur later this term. Students who do not regularly participate in the afternoon sport program are able to attend but must ensure their **Sport Permission Form and Medical Form** are submitted to the front office. You will also be required to pay a fee for Ice Skating and travel. More information coming soon.

The following trials are coming up. Students need to put their name down at the PDHPE staffroom if interested:

- Hunter Region Boys & Girls Squash Trials
- Hunter Region Boys & Girls Hockey Trials
- Hunter Region Boys & Girls Touch Trials
- Football trials: U15's Girls, U15's Boys, Open Girls

Maths

Women's Money Challenges

A great infographic in time for International Women's Day:
<https://goo.gl/tFwX7t>

Australian Maths Competition

Please return your permission notes to the office by Friday, April 7th. Copies of the permission note can be found on the school website:
<http://www.hspa.nsw.edu.au/ourschool.php?id=180&pid=79>

NAPLAN is coming...

Does your student have a calculator?

These can be purchased from the front office - \$20 for a Sharp, \$25 for a Casio. Mrs Portelli can engrave with your student's name once purchased.

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HSPA Technology News

Important BYOD information

As you are aware, HSPA is a BYOD school. This means that students are required to bring a fully charged device to school each day. Many resources are now only available via online systems, therefore students will find themselves at a disadvantage if they are not prepared with appropriate technology when they come to school. As is common in many schools, we are currently at a difficult junction in the implementation of this DoE mandated initiative, where staff have spent a great deal of time creating digital resources, and students are unable to access these if they don't have a device. Students in some cases have understandably not been bringing devices as they didn't use them as much during initial stages of BYOD while teachers were still creating resources. This can become a catch 22 situation, with teachers unsure as to whether to spend time creating digital resources if students are not bringing laptops and students unwilling to bring laptops if digital resources are not forthcoming. We are currently trying to work through this issue and would greatly appreciate parental support. Please encourage your students to bring their devices every day and also encourage their appropriate use in class. Please also refer to the [HSPA BYOD page](#) regularly to ensure you are up to date with tech solutions and requirements regarding these devices.

It has come to my attention that certain retail stores are recommending extremely high spec computers for HSPA. This is not necessarily the case. In most instances, students are only required to perform desktop publishing and web browsing. With this in mind, the key factors to consider are:

- 5GHz (dual band) Wi-Fi compatibility
- Good battery life
- Minimum 2GB RAM (ideally 4GB)

Laptops with these specs can be purchased for between \$200 & \$300. If you are experiencing financial hardship and would like assistance to purchase a PC for your student, please direct enquiries regarding this option to Ms Janeanne Hardie, our HT Welfare. Subjects requiring higher specs than those above, such as Multimedia, are equipped with specialist machines and software in classrooms to ensure equity of lesson delivery.

Canvas is here!

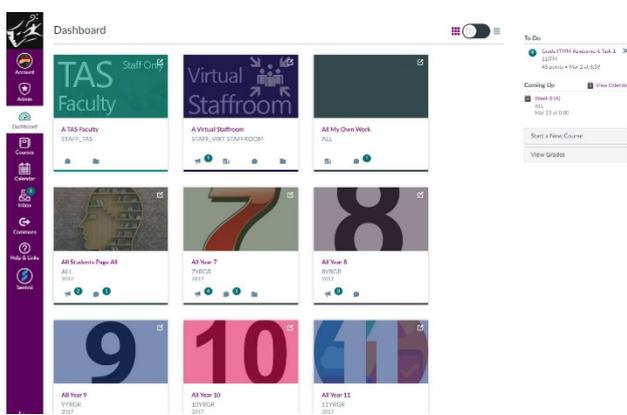
As one of the first public schools to embrace this amazing online Learning Management System (LMS), HSPA is now able to offer students and staff unparalleled access to the latest in eLearning technology. This will be a constantly evolving resource which allows students to access their learning anywhere, anytime. Some of the many benefits of a well-designed LMS include: provision of a one-

stop shop for educational resources as well as amazing collaboration and communication opportunities between students and their teachers.

Once a course is setup in Canvas, students are given far more control over their learning and are afforded the opportunity to customise their classroom experience to suit their ability, interest, and pace. Teachers are free to work with students one-on-one, *when* they need it. I'd like to congratulate the HSPA staff for the work they have done already to get this system off the ground so quickly for the benefit of students. Parent access to Canvas is not yet available. Parents are encouraged to view Canvas resources via their student's account.

Students are encouraged to ensure they have entered their phone number in the **'Account/Settings/Contact Method'** section of Canvas to ensure they receive announcements regarding their subjects and whole school initiatives. The notifications they receive can be customised in the **'Account/Notifications'** section. It is recommended that 'Announcements' notifications are set to yes. All others are optional.

Canvas can be found by going to hspa.instructure.com and entering student email address when prompted.



Printing upgrade

Printing at HSPA has had a facelift. Staff and students are now able to print to any printer in the school via the newly implemented Papercut system. They can also print via email, opening up BYOD printing options, with more to come. All students have been given \$5 printing credit. If top-ups are required, students can purchase extra printing credit for \$20. This is available from the front office.

With the implementation of Canvas, it is hoped that we can cut our current printing expenses and reduce our environmental impact by making digital versions of appropriate resources available online.

Student Tech Helpdesk Forum

In recognition of the tech skills of many of our students, we are trialing a student helpdesk forum. This is found under 'Discussions' on the 'All Students' Canvas page. Students are encouraged to place issues on this forum, and when possible answer requests from other students for assistance. The aim is to build a student driven tech helpdesk and FAQ resource. Prizes will be awarded to students who have assisted several peers with Tech issues.

Regards,
Darren Ponman, Head Teacher
Technology and Applied Studies
Darren.ponman1@det.nsw.edu.au

Library

The **2017 Premier's Reading Challenge** (PRC) has commenced and we would love to encourage students in **Years 7 to 9** to participate. The Challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.



Some FAQs to get you started for 2017.

When does the PRC commence and finish?

The challenge opened on 6 March and concludes on 25 August.

How do students record the books they have read?

They logon via their Student Portal or click Logon on the PRC website menu. They should record their books on their Personal Reading Log.

What username and password do students use?

They enter their DET student user ID and password.

Which books are included in the PRC?

The 2017 booklist is published on the PRC website. Titles held in the HSPA Library are shown on the school library's Oliver catalogue. The catalogue can be accessed via the Student Portal or HSPA school website.

How many books should a student read?

Students in Years 7 to 9 read 20 books for the challenge; 15 from the PRC book list and 5 of personal choice.

For further information, see the Teacher Librarian or visit the PRC website <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>

Ms Walker (Relieving Teacher Librarian)

Chess

HSPA CHESS UPDATE:

On Friday 17th March 2017 – our school was able to draw on a *record-equalling* number of participants - from our HSPA student Chess Community - for representation in our first Chess Event for 2017 – the Bishop Tyrrell Anglican College hosted heat of **Sydney Chess Academy's NSW Chess Challenge 2017**. The busload of 22 Secondary and three Primary students all enjoyed the day and represented their school admirably on and off the board. The enthusiasm and excitement, clearly evident in our HSPA Squad from the outset, was a great platform that produced some fine results on the day.

Primary student **Eli Fotheringham** (Yr5) only lost one game from seven matches! A sensational effort for his impressive 3.5/7. His ability to produce a long string of drawn games (5), to go with his Round 5 victory, has perhaps only ever been matched in HSPA Chess history by fellow squad member Maya Calderhead (now Yr8) in her earlier HSPA Primary Chess Club days, in both her representative and school-based tournaments. A brilliant and beautifully logical first step toward winning your matches is mastering *not losing* them first! Most encouraging.

Of our twelve Year 7 representatives (almost half the squad, congratulations Year 7!) last year's Primary (Equal) Champion Connor McKay was able to secure an excellent 4/7 result, as did Oskar Sutherland, Olivia Sala and Harman Burgess. The top spot of this quartette, split on a series of fairly complicated computerised tie-breaking mechanisms, was Oskar Sutherland. Kian Meijnen went a step further with a fantastic 4.5/7 and Simon Gordon's outstanding 5/7 earned him recognition on the podium as one of the overall equal 5th individual players in the tournament. He missed a personal trophy, on tie-break, by one single position. He was however, as Team Captain, able to accept on behalf of our Team/School the Trophy for outright 3rd spot in the Secondary Division of the Tournament, which qualifies us for a local semi-final berth for this competition later this year! Fantastic!



Congratulations to each and every member of the Squad. We look forward to record-breaking participation on Monday 8th May when we will be hosting another qualifying leg of the **NSW Chess Challenge 2017** in our HSPA Bini. Should we be able to secure a position in the top three at that tournament - where the individual scores of our top four players at the Bishop Tyrrell tournament could not count towards our overall Team Score in this heat – we would be able to take an increased contingent to the semi-finals; 10 players, instead of only 5. Depth does count. GO TEAM!



A reminder that in **Week 2 of Term 2** we will be commencing the three **In-School Secondary HSPA Chess Championships** in the Library at lunchtimes:

Mondays: Open Grade Championships.

Tuesdays: "A" Grade Championships.

Fridays: Girls Championships.

Thursdays: Primary Chess focus day and catch-up day for deferred games.

Mr T. Bonjekovic (HSPA Chess).

Canteen News from The Nosh Pit

Our Summer menu has been well received, with students and staff enjoying so many healthy, fresh options, like watermelon/grape tubs, Caesar salad wraps, sushi and salad tubs. Sadly, Term 1 is coming to an end, which means our Winter menu will begin at the beginning of Term 2 and continue until the end of Term 3. Don't be too sad to say goodbye to our summer specials, as the colder weather brings us Butter Chicken, Meatball Pasta, Potato pies and Fried Rice, Soups and Nachos!

Our online canteen ordering system is gaining popularity. Simply visit ouronlinecanteen.com.au and register your child/children. Orders can be placed up to two weeks in advance, or anytime up

until 9.30am on the day of the order. Be careful to make sure you are ordering for the correct break times, Recess and/or Lunch. The winter menu will be added to the online menu and the school website over the school holidays.

You can still order recess/lunch over the counter, but we do ask that orders are in by 9.30am to allow us to allocate our bread, hot food and time to prepare foods. The great thing about ordering your child's lunch is that they get what they want without the fear of us selling out before they get to the front of the line and they don't have to join the long queue. Students with lunch orders have their own special place to line up to collect their goodies and get served faster!

Primary school students can collect their recess from the canteen, but lunches are sent in their baskets directly to their classes. They can bring their bags to the canteen to collect ice blocks after they have enjoyed their lunch. Please remind students that they are not able to purchase extra items when collecting their lunch orders. If they wish to purchase something that was not ordered, they will need to join the queue with the rest of the students. This is to aid in keeping the lunch order window flowing as quickly as possible.

We have had a wonderful bunch of Mums, Dad and Grandmas volunteer in the canteen again. If you are worried about helping in a high school canteen, rest assured we guarantee a great, albeit sometimes crazy, day. Lots of laughs and a yummy lunch are provided. So if you're keen, give the school a call and ask for the canteen, we'd love to meet you!

We would appreciate help on ANY day, but the following dates are the ones we are a bit short on volunteers:

Tuesdays: 23/5; 20/6; 18/7; 15/8; 12/9; 10/10; 7/11; 5/12

Thursdays: 18/5; 10/8; 2/11

Year 7 Geography

Fieldwork Excursion 23 March 2017

'We entered Glenrock State Conservation Area at 10.15am, we walked down a long windy dirt track smacking mozzies as we went until we reached a bridge that crossed Flaggy Creek. This is where we examined the aspect, slope, sunlight, wind speed, vegetation, soil and ground cover.

When we walked down further we got to Flaggy Creek where we took water samples for pH levels, turbidity and tested the water temperature, we also saw an eel. We then hiked around waterfalls, rock formations and over buttress tree roots, while learning about different trees and examining the same things as we did at the bridge.

On the beach we learnt about the local Aboriginal history and the Pillapay-Kullaitaran people who used the area. Some students went with Miss Miller to investigate the middens, while other groups examined the aspect, sunlight, wind speed and vegetation.'

Year 7 collaboration.

Some other comments about what Year 7 students enjoyed about the excursion were:

- Being able to be out of the classroom and see the natural vegetation at Glenrock was great.
- I like that I could learn more about the environment.
- The rainforest and when we got to the beach, I liked the transition, it was cool.
- I liked the scenery in the rainforest, all the formations of the rocks and how they changed over time.
- Learning about the history of the area.
- It was an educational and fun day out with the rest of Year 7.
- A big thank you to all the teachers for giving us the great learning experience.

Message regarding changes to Bus Route Numbers

Hello Parents & Carers,

We are contacting you to advise that commencing on Monday the **1/05/2017** all of our School Route numbers will be changing. This is happening as part of a larger TfNSW project to provide each Bus Route in NSW with a unique route number to prevent duplication, which in some cases has occurred in the same region.

There are over 9000 bus routes in NSW and there is a route number limit of 4 characters XXXX. This means there is a lot of duplication of route numbers across NSW, which makes it difficult for customers to identify the route they are looking for when they do a route search in Customer Information products such as the transportnsw.info timetable and Apps such as TripView. As each School Route has an entirely unique number, this will greatly affect School Services that operate a different route on different afternoons depending on when Schools finish, etc.

Please note that there will be **NO CHANGES** to routes or times to what currently operates. The only changes made will be to the Route number themselves. Changes will be made to our Website over the School Holidays to reflect these amendments. All buses will operate with their existing route number displayed in the windscreen to assist with the transition in the first week or so. Please see a list of changes below that will affect your school.

Hunter School of the Performing Arts, Merewether High School.

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Should you require any further information please don't hesitate to let us know,

Matthew Ingall
Contract & Compliance Manager
Rover Wine Country Coaches
PH: 4990 1699

Getting to Know:



Helen Munday - TAS

What do you teach and where did you teach before HSPA?

I am a TAS teacher and I teach all the fun stuff... I teach Food, Textiles (sewing), Costuming, Makeup and Design and Technology. Doesn't sound

that fun when you say it like that, but it actually really is! I have been at HSPA forever but in a previous life I may have started at Killarney Heights before a BRIEF stint at Moorebank High followed by Mosman High.

Where did you go to school?

I grew up on a farm, hence my love of baby goats. I actually went to Blayney High School... great small country school with fantastic teachers.

What made you decide to become a teacher?

My Sewing teacher at school was such a great person and is actually now one of my closest friends... also maybe the hot PE teacher?

What do you like to do in your spare time?

Relax... watch movies and binge on quality drama series. I have three puppy dogs that keep me hugely busy and I like to run away to the country to escape, but I also teach makeup.

What has been your biggest challenge?

Raising two beautiful children to be successful young happy adults. Oh and using computers... my brain is fried.

What did you want to be when you were younger?

I always wanted to be a teacher. Sounds lame but that was it. Oh and to get out of Blayney. A town of 2500 was way too small for me.

If you could choose to do anything for a day, what would it be?

Go and play with a pack of baby goats and a pile of puppies.

If you were a super-hero, what powers would you have?

I would be Lucy (from the movie *Lucy* when she is accessing about 80% of her brain) but just before she melts down and becomes a computer... oh and I want to look like Scarlet too.

What was the last book you read?

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo trilogy.

What was your first job?

If you take away hay carting, fruit picking and cow milking, I was a professional colour-in-er for a geographical consulting company. Then I worked at Grace Brothers the first year CDs came out and forgot to put the CDs into the covers before I sold them.... Oops. I got moved to the hardware section after that.

What is your favourite all-time movie?

So many *An Officer and a Gentleman* or *Lucy* or *Aviator* or *Titanic* (except of the end), *Rock of Ages*, *Wayne's World*, *Mississippi Burning*.

What would you tell your 15 year old self?

Use it while you've got it because it ain't gonna last forever!

What is your favourite song?

Boys of Summer (1985)

What would you name the autobiography of your life?

Hang on Baby, Its Going to be a Rough Ride.

If you could live anywhere in the world, where would you live?

On a farm near Carcoar with my goats and puppies.

Do you have a special talent?

Next question...

Do you ever wish you could be someone else, if yes, who?

No! I love being me.

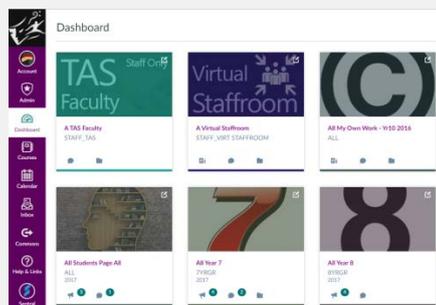
HSPA Information, Communication & Technology Systems Overview



HSPA Website

<http://www.hspa.nsw.edu.au/>

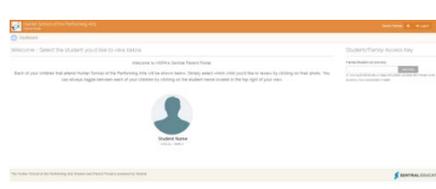
Our web site contains links to all of our other services and is the public 'digital shop front' for the school. It includes all relevant information relating to the school, policies, staff, staff emails, enrolments and much more.



Canvas

<https://hspa.instructure.com>

For Staff and Student use, this is the very powerful HSPA eLearning environment. It enables us to provide students with 24/7, online access to curriculum resources, assessment tasks and class notifications for each of their subjects, greatly varying & diversifying their curriculum and providing opportunity for self-direction. Please ensure students have notifications enabled and their phone number entered to receive important reminders of task due dates, etc.



Sentral Parent Portal

<http://web1.huntperfor-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/portal>

For Student and Parent use, this site is used for accessing student reports, timetables, daily notices, viewing commendations, course completion warning letters (Years 10-12) and booking parent/teacher interviews.



Sentral Staff Portal

<http://web1.huntperfor-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

For Staff use only, this is the HSPA administrative system used by staff to create reports, mark attendance, access individual education plans and much more.



Skoolbag App

Play Store (android):

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.skoolbag.hspa>

iTunes (apple):

<https://appsto.re/au/QH-5H.i>

Available for all mobile devices, the HSPA App enables digital submission of absence explanation notes; important notices are pushed out via push notifications and much more.



Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/hspaofficial/>

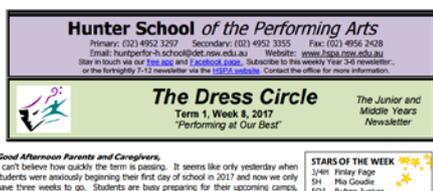
The HSPA Facebook page is where you'll find good news stories and photographs of school life and achievements.



The Audience

<http://www.hspa.nsw.edu.au/ourschool.php?id=21>

Emailed fortnightly and available through the Skoolbag app, this is the Year 7-12 school newsletter. Provides highlights of the many curricular and extra-curricular opportunities HSPA students enjoy as well as important updates and information for parents/carers.



The Dress Circle

<http://www.hspa.nsw.edu.au/ourschool.php?id=21>

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