



# THE ponds REFLECTION

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## Deputy Principal's Report



Greetings from the Deputies Desk! I hope everyone has managed to stay warm during the current cold snap. As winter is now upon us, it is a good time to remind parents and students that hooded jumpers and tracksuit pants are not part of the uniform. The winter uniform is a red sloppy joe, jumper, cardigan or the Ponds' jacket which are available from the Uniform Shop. The uniform is an important part of the school's culture and it essential that students wear the correct articles. I would like to give a big thank you to all those students who come to school each day in their correct uniform.

Congratulations to the Year 11 student leaders who were successful in making it through to the final stage of the selection process. The last step of the process will take place on Friday 11 June. It is always a pleasure to watch our student leaders deliver speeches which outline their aspirations for themselves and our school. This year's candidates have had the great fortune of watching previous aspirational school leaders deliver speeches and have a much clearer idea of the demands of this process. I wish all the candidates well and look forward to hearing from these exceptional students.

The annual EAL/D survey has been completed. This is an important annual process that gives the school a better understanding of the literacy needs of our EAL/D students. The survey also provides us with some valuable statistics that we can then use to further support all students. For example, students who come from a Language Background Other Than English (LBOTE) now make up 66% of the school which is a 12% increase in the last three years. Can I extend my congratulations to Ms Slade, Ms Hope, Mrs Singh and Ms Zhang for the outstanding work in completing the EAL/D survey.

## HALF YEARLY REPORTS

Over the last few weeks, the teachers have been busy marking final assessments, awarding grades and finalising the Half Yearly Reports. This is an extensive process which ensures every student receives a report that is based on their academic progress over the last semester in each Key Learning Area. Teacher's comments describe what the student has achieved, where he/she can improve and how the individual student engaged in their learning. The report also outlines each student's attitude and application to the course. It is always good remembering to consider the report from each Key Learning Area as a whole and not just focus on the grade your child has achieved, as the grade can often reflect the effort and attitude. I wish all students well in their Half Yearly Reports and hope they continue the excellent work through the remainder of the year.

## Year 11 High Achievers

The Year 11 High Achievers Morning was held during the week. This is one of the ways we recognise academic excellence. Students are invited based on a grade point average generated as part of their Half Yearly Reports. It was pleasing to meet these top achieving students and the morning tea was enjoyed by everyone.



Congratulations to the following students:

Akilesh, Aleena, Amna, Armaan, Aytin, Bailey, Esha, Ethan, Evan, Hannah, Hanniyah, Harjio, Jasmeet, Jessie, Keira, Krystel, Lana, Momen, Nikki, Ruben, Shreenidhi, Sungeon and Vlatko.

Finally, many thanks to Ms Kate Blisset who stepped into my position while I took some leave recently. She did an amazing job.



## UPGRADES AT SCHOOL

Our General Assistants have installed extra bicycles and scooters parking racks.

Please advise your students they can now keep their scooters safe if they bring a padlock to use with the scooter racks.

Many thanks Peter and team.



Thank you Peter for sharing this picture of the sunrise at The Ponds High School.



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## NOTE TO PARENTS

### ONLINE PAYMENTS



It has been great to see so many parents using the school's secure Online Payment System which is streamlining payments and saving parents' time. Payments can be made using either a Visa Card, Master Card credit or debit card.

Payments can also be made through our website:

[www.theponds-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.theponds-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)

by clicking on "Online Payments", then clicking on "Make a Payment".

**Late payments** can affect cut off dates/times for events. If a payment is made after 6pm the school will not see that payment until the second business day, ie: payment made at 7pm on Monday evening will not be on the report for the school to access until Wednesday morning.

*Payment for an activity or excursion does not constitute permission to participate. Permission notes are still required for relevant activities and must be handed into the Student Window at the School Front Office **before the cut-off date, otherwise your child will miss out on the excursion.***

### LOST PROPERTY

We have a lot of items in our lost property boxes:

Sports jackets, Sports bags with shoes,  
Pencil cases, Plastic containers, Shoes  
Water bottles, reading glasses, keys

**Please ensure your children's belongings have a label with their name** and write their name in the plastic containers so we can return items to your child.

If your child has lost an item, please ask him/her to check the lost property at the Students Window.

**Items not collected will be disposed of at end of term.**



# IMPORTANT DATES

2021

TERM 2

Week 9

**Monday 14 June**

Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

**Tuesday 15 June**

**ALL SUBJECT SELECTIONS CLOSE**

HSIE Market Day

Bill Turner Cup RL

MED Future Proofing

**Thursday 17 June**

Stage 6 Minimum Standards Testing

HSIE Market Day

Senior Student Leadership Interviews

Jewish Museum Excursion

U15s KO Basketball

**Friday 18 June**

**Year 10 Vaccinations**

Orienteering

Week 10

**Tuesday 22 June**

**Celebrating Success Assemblies:  
Year 10 (P1/2), Year 11 (P3/4) &  
Year 7 (P5/6)**

Write a Book in a Day Competition

**Thursday 24 June**

**Celebrating Success Assemblies:  
Year 8 (P1/2), Year 12 (P3/4) &  
Year 9 (P5/6)**

Western Sydney Careers Expo

**Friday 28 June**

**LAST DAY OF TERM**

White Card Course

Year 12 Kickstart Chemistry Excursion





## Synergy Dance Festival

On Wednesday 2 June and 9 June, four dance teams represented The Ponds High School in the 2021 Synergy Dance Festival. Their commitment, enthusiasm and support for one another was outstanding.

Thank you to Miss Elliott, Mr Macfarlane and Miss Didlick for assisting in running this excursion. A thank you must also go to Mrs Weal for coming and supporting the students in their evening performances.

*Miss K Duynhoven*

CAPA Teacher

### From the Principal's Desk

I was lucky to attend the Synergy Dance Festival on Wednesday 7 June at Penrith Panthers. We had 4 groups performing who did our school proud.

The first piece as our Junior Dance Group who presented "Children" This was choreographed by 2020 Year 12 students Mia Fulham, Alanah Pendlebury and Abigail Workman.



Next up, was our Senior Dance Group performing "The Adams Family".

This was a live version of the Warakirri winning dance from 2020 choreographed by Ms Duynhoven.



The third number was fun and happy dance from the Stage 4 Team "You can stop the Beat" and was choreographed by our current Year 12 dancers Madison R, Anika K and Abi D.

The evening was closed with our boys Hip Hop group organised by Ms Duynhoven. It was an energetic finale to the evening.

The students also performed on Wednesday 9 June with a different group of schools. It was great to see Kellyville North PS our new neighbouring Public School with their first team of dancers.

On this night two of our students comparted the show. Congratulation to Jessica B (9.9) and Giovanna T (10.I).

Thank you to Ms Duynhoven and the teachers who accompanied the group to the festival, to the dancers who provided a great night's entertainment and also to the parents for making this event possible with their support.



*Jenny Weal*  
Principal

## DRAMA NEWS

Ms Petroni's Year 12 Drama class attended the CoLab HSC Drama Workshops Study Day at Glenmore Park High School this month together with Jamison High School, Hawkesbury High School and Katoomba High School to promote collaboration between teachers and Year 12 public school students in preparation for their HSC drama group performance. The Workshops were facilitated by Swoop Physical Theatre Company and Chopt Logic who taught the students over two days. As you can see, the students from The Ponds High School had a fantastic time.



# SCIENCE

## YEAR II BIOLOGY EXCURSION

As part of a Depth Study on Biological Diversity, Year 11 Biology students completed fieldwork at Longneck Lagoon Environmental Education Centre. The object of the day was for students to determine whether the site was suitable for the reintroduction of the microbat.

This was achieved through examining a series of parameters in both aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems. A particular highlight of the day was the dip-netting component which revealed the presence of a diverse range of aquatic organisms at the lagoon.

Students are currently analysing their results and completing further research in order to assess the future of the target species at the site.



*Dean Ward*

HT Science





# The STELR Project

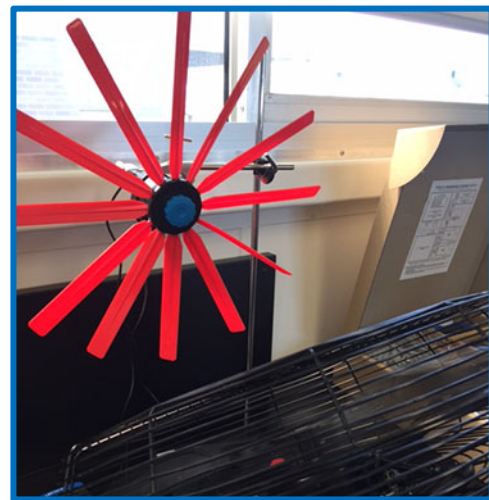
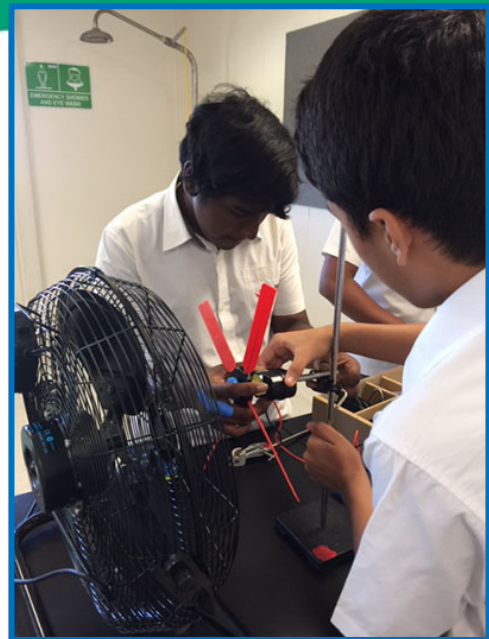
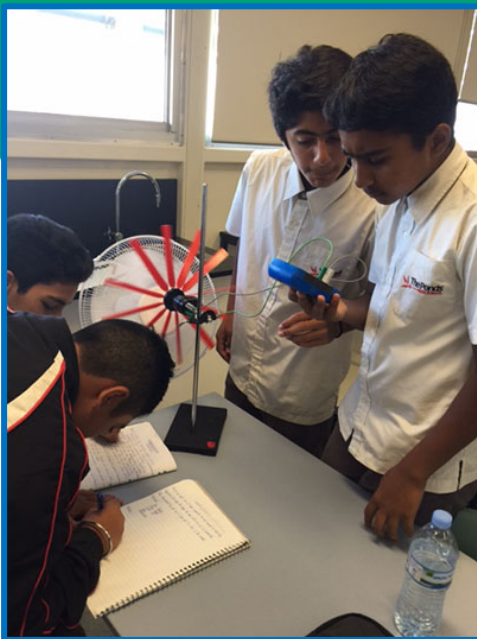
The Science faculty are participating in the STELR Project- a national initiative of the Australian Academy of Technological Sciences and Engineering (ATSE).

The main theme of this science education program for Stage 5 students is renewable energy. This taps into the high level of concern students have about global warming and climate change.

In 2018 we were fortunate enough to receive a grant from the school P&C which enabled us to purchase 10 student kits. Due to its ongoing success and relevance, as well as increasing student numbers, we have decided to expand the program and purchase additional kits, which again have been purchased through P&C funding. We thank the P&C for their kind contribution enabling us to participate in this initiative.

*Dean Ward*

Head Teacher Science



# World Environment Day 2021

On Tuesday 1 June, we celebrated *World Environment Day* at The Ponds High School. We began the day by wearing a splash of green with a gold coin donation. The first activity the students participated in was watching a video about this year's theme 'Restoration' and what people can do to contribute.

During period three, students participated in a Kahoot about the environment which allowed students to truly understand environmental impacts. We ended the day with a low technology lesson where the teachers planned a lesson without or with very little technology.

This year's theme was *Restoration* which is all about helping in the recovery of ecosystems that are deteriorating or destroyed, as well as conserving the ecosystems that are still intact.

*Ana Z*

Publicity Officer 9.1  
Environment Team



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HIGH SCHOOL



## Literacy Week

Literacy Week celebrations have been a lot of fun so far and there are several events still to come! Students will be writing descriptions of their natural environment for the Urban Field Naturalist Project, the Write a Book in a Day teams will begin their preparation, and to finish the week the Bridge Building competition will showcase feats of engineering! A reminder that the Drabble competition wraps up on Friday so be sure to get those entries in.

### Year 7 Author Talk

The week started with a bang with a visit from Oliver Phommavanh. He spoke to Year 7 about his life and what first inspired his writing (way back in Year 1!). He shared his writing process, his love of all things 'nerd' and even a few jokes (did you know he actually performs as a stand-up comedian?).

Oliver shared the links between his life and the ideas and characters in his books. He explained that there is a part of his personality and life experiences in each of his characters and the stories he tells.

Year 7 were a brilliant audience—they asked great questions and expressed their love of reading and writing.



### Year 9 & 10 Author Talks & Writing Workshops



Throughout the day we had several more authors visit to run writing workshops. The Creative Writers Guild participated in a poetry workshop with poet and author **Ali Whitelock** and the Elective class, Writers and Writing, experimented with voice under the guidance of Young Adult author, **Will Kostakis**.

Ali began each section of the workshop by reading a poem to set the stage for the activity to follow. The first activity asked students to link the senses with human emotions – resulting in poems that were filled with striking images and description. Many students shared their work or Ali read the poems aloud which highlighted the way prompts spark the imagination differently for each person.

**Will Kostakis** presented a workshop and an author talk focusing on his novel *The Sidekicks*. He explored the importance of character arcs and spoke about the way a narrative is structured. He also focused on the power of voice in writing and how to develop this through word choice, the use of strong verbs and he also gave students opportunities to practice this skill. He recommended cutting adverbs where possible and instead use the verbs to 'show' rather than tell in a piece of writing.



Mr Bennet's Year 9 English class studied Kostakis' novel, *The Sidekicks*, earlier this year so at the end of the day they heard Will talk about his life and how this translated into fiction. He gave insights into the 'might have beens' - the parts of the book he changed, removed, or altered during the writing and editing process and explored how he developed character arcs in his work ensuring there was some growth or development in each of the characters. He explained that *The Sidekicks* was written over several years and the editing process took about a year on and off. It was so interesting to hear about the evolution of the book from the original 6,000-words (which was actually Will's Extension 2 English project!) to the finished publication. The students demonstrated their knowledge of the text in their thoughtful and considerate questions. For more information please visit the following websites:

Oliver Phommavanh

<https://www.oliverwriter.com/>

Ali Whitelock

<https://www.aliwhitelock.com/>

Will Kostakis

<https://willkostakis.com/>

### **Thank you!**

A big thank you to the students and staff who have participated in and organised events this week (including the Drabble Competition and Homeroom Trivia!). We are grateful for the wonderful Australian writers who shared their experiences and expertise, WestWords for connecting TPHS with a range of authors, and the P&C for their continued support of Literacy Week by supplying incredible prizes!

*Miss Kira Bryant*

Teacher-Librarian



## Fierce Battle for the 2021 Spelling Bee Crown

Students across Year 7 to Year 10 actively participated and vied for the title of Spelling Bee Champion on Tuesday June 8. The preliminary round was held in English classes, with the best spellers representing their class and their grade. The semi-finals and final were held in the Library. 45 students came together in the spirit of participation and positivity. They encouraged each other and cheered as each person demonstrated their abilities.

The toughest heat was amongst the Year 7 and Year 8 students, as the contestants went beyond the Stage 4 spelling list. The match went into overtime, as Manav, the Year 8 representative went head-to-head with Saanvi, the representative for Year 7. The winner for Stage 4 was Saanvi from Year 7, who demonstrated a wide and sophisticated vocabulary.

The final round was between Zaara in Year 9 and Saanvi in Year 7. Once again, the match went into overtime with both students demonstrating comparable skills. Ultimately, the overall Spelling Bee Champion was Saanvi from Year 7.

The Ponds High School is proud to announce the winners for the 2021 Literacy Week Spelling Bee:

Year 7 Winner	Saanvi Y
Year 8 Winner	Manav N
Year 9 Winner	Zaara P
Year 10 Winner	Vinanshi M
Stage 5 winner	Zaara P (Year 9)
Stage 4 winner	Saanvi Y (Year 7)

Overall champion: Saanvi Y  
Congratulations Saanvi!



Congratulations to all the winners and a huge thank you to: (Year 11) Hanniyah A, Aleena M, Bilvika A, Esha N, (Year 9) Aiswarya M, Sudhiksha K, Jessica B, (Year 10) Giovanna T, for assisting and running this year's spelling bee.

*Mrs R Caro*

English Teacher  
Debating Coordinator



# ENGLISH

## Premier's Debating Challenge

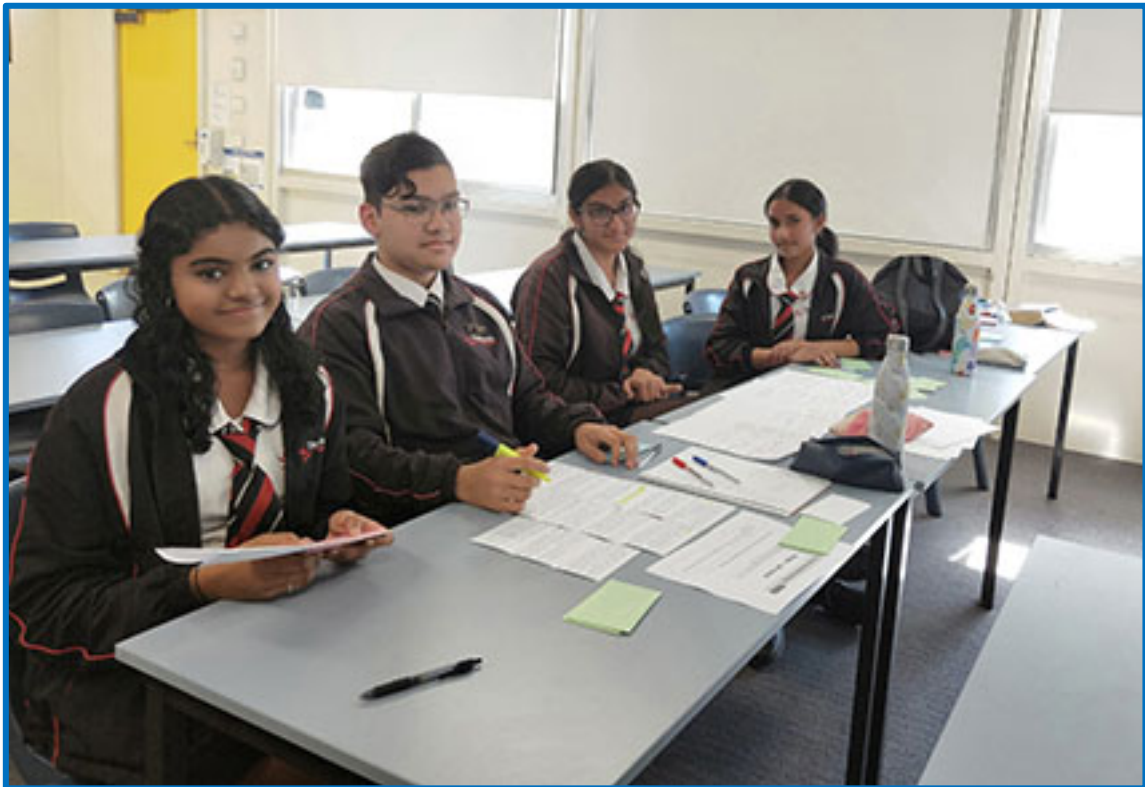
Throughout the year of our debating success within our school, Year 11 has endured many highs and lows, and the Monday 31 May debate against Young High School was no exception.

A valiant fight was fought at the Regional Premier's Debating Challenge where both teams presented well-developed arguments for the topic, "All Junior sporting teams should be selected on size rather than age."

Against formidable foes, people bring out the best of themselves and the Ponds High School Year 11 team did so. Tackling many rebuttals and ideas brought up by the opposition. As a team, we continued to push forward as the debate continued its long stringent battle.

Although unsuccessful, we can see the consistency in the efforts of the debating team as we continue to proudly represent our school. Our aim has never changed and we hope to continue striving for better.

Keep it up, Year 11!



From L to R: Bilvika, Momen, Hanniyah and Esha

*Shravanti & Shivam*  
Year 11 Publicity Officers



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# BIGGEST MORNING TEA

On Thursday 10 June 2021, the Social Justice Leadership Team hosted the annual event *Biggest Morning Tea*. The event fundraises for the Cancer Council, an important charity that empowers people to reduce their cancer risk and engages in research to find new ways to better detect and treat cancer. Out on the Quad at recess, we hosted a wide range of breakfast options including bacon and egg sandwiches, egg sandwiches, pancakes and hash browns.

It was a very successful morning, filled with school spirit. We raised approximately \$850 in just half an hour! This is illustrative of the great community of staff and students at The Ponds High School. We were further supported by the Ponds Rotary Club, who generously donated \$100 to our fundraiser. Our thanks go to Stephen Dinte from the Rotary Club of The Ponds who also helped with the cooking.



Thanks to all the Social Justice Leaders who helped organise the event, and fellow teachers who assisted with the event on the day – Miss Raghunandan, Miss Still, Mr Walker, Mr Ghazal, and Mr James for all their hard work.

Thank you also to all staff and students who came and supported the event! We are excited about next year's *Biggest Morning Tea* and the support we can provide to our community.

*Miss J Voukelatos*

Social Justice Portfolio Coordinator



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# SPORT



## Rugby League

On Wednesday 26 May 2021, our Under 14s Rugby League team competed in the Buckley Shield Tournament at Whalan Reserve, Mt Druitt.

The boys played three really tough games, and represented their school proudly showing lots of commitment and determination. Well played boys.



Team members: Adam (8.4), Alex (9.8), Ayman (8.3), Cooper K (8.5), Cooper T (8.9), Cruze (8.1), Dylan (8.9), Hunter (8.10), Jaden (7.8), Jayden (8.5), Jersey (8.6), Joel (9.7), Lachlan D (7.12), Lachlan K (8.5), Lucas (9.7), Michael (8.4), Ranbir (8.3), Rocco (8.5), Ronald (8.10), Ronald (8.10) and Zach (8.6).

Teacher: Mr Ofeina Sikahela

# CAREERS

## Spotlight on Work Experience

Aleeya M. was at Enviropacific, Macquarie Park office. She worked on all the open support requests in the IT ticketing system, F-Connect, and created an Excel report outlining the status, pending actions and who they are waiting on. Aleeya reviewed weekly update emails from the HR manager and helped to identify the status of requests related to employee onboarding, internal changes and termination. She also checked if the contact details of the new employees were updated in the Enviropacific intranet platform, MyEnviro.

She compared the company employee list maintained by HR with the Telstra Blitz report outlining the Enviropacific Mobile Services in Excel Workbook and identified 68 services which we can cancel this week.

This will create a saving of \$3,740 in the next Telstra Bill. I really appreciate her time and efforts which made a positive change.



### *Bonia Mohan*

ICT Manager Enviropacific.



Mia B. spend the week with the students from Riverstone Public School. She had a great time assisting the students with learning their letters and using a tablet to read words.

**Congratulations** to Vimlesh who has successfully gained a SBAT after completing his Work Experience with Roy's Electrical & Data Services.

## UNIVERSITY

### [CSU - Charles Sturt Year 10 Guide 2021](#)

It's exciting to be in Year 10. You're studying some of your own choices - it's nice to have a say after all these years! And you're starting to think about your subjects for Years 11 and 12.

### University of Newcastle Joint Medical Program – [Studying Medicine Info Session](#)

**23 June - 6pm to 7pm.** The Bachelor of Medical Science and Doctor of Medicine (MD - JMP) is an innovative five-year degree that will prepare you for an exciting and rewarding medical career.

### [Macquarie University Webinars](#)

**Every Tuesday - 11 May to 29 June 2021, 5:00pm**

Join us for our online Q&A Series! Each session will focus on a different area of study or our early entry programs.

### [ADFA - Study at UNSW Canberra](#)

UNSW Canberra has international recognition as a successful, research-intensive university - generating new knowledge for the benefit of present and future generations which has had an impact around the globe.

**Engineering – Aeronautical, Naval, Civil, Electrical, Mechanical, Cyber Security, Arts & Business**

### [UNSW - Girls in Business Digital Camp 2021](#)

The two-day online program (running 6 and 7 July, 9am-5pm on both days) is open to Year 10, 11 or 12 female high school students in New South Wales who have a genuine interest in studying [Information Systems](#), [Actuarial Studies](#) or [Banking & Finance](#) at the UNSW Business School.

### [UTS Year 12 Subject Scheme](#)

Awards adjustment points towards your selection rank, based on your performance in select high school subjects that are relevant to your preferred UTS course.

### [UTS Elite Athlete or Performers Scheme](#)

Are you an elite athlete or performer who represented your school or state at a national level competition/event?

Has your study been impacted because of this? If you answered yes to both of these questions, you may be eligible for a five-point adjustment to your [Selection Rank](#).

### [UTS Science Aptitude Test - Entry pathway through aptitude assessment](#)

**Monday 28 June 2021, 10:00 am** (and 1:30 pm subject to registration numbers). Please be available for both sessions. The aptitude assessment is an opportunity for students to demonstrate their potential, and possibly secure an offer to study at UTS Science.

### [UTS Specific Study Area Scheme](#) **LOOK INTO EACH ONE!**

Here at UTS, we understand that your ability to undertake certain courses shouldn't be measured by ATAR alone. Your interest or aptitude in specific study areas can also be taken into consideration in your application.

### **Reminder - The University of Sydney**

#### [July Auditions for Sydney Conservatorium](#)

**Closes 27 June.** Students who would like to study at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music in 2022 will need to register to attend an audition or interview. Registrations for the July auditions are now open and close on 27 June.



## **Reminder - [Sydney Conservatorium of Music](#) and [Sydney College of the Arts](#)**

The Creative Arts Special Admissions Scheme (CASAS) offers talented Year 12 students a chance to receive an early offer to study music or visual arts based on their audition or portfolio and their academic performance in year 11 and 12 so far, prior to getting an ATAR.

## **[The Women's College within The University of Sydney](#)**

### **Applications are now open for 2022!**

Feel at home on campus at The Women's College. Programs for residential and affiliate (day) students include Leadership, Academic & Tutorial Assistance, Mentoring and Internships. No need to wait for your university offer.

## **[Internationally Educated Info Session](#)**

**Saturday 19 June 9.30am** - Join Internationally Educated to learn more about the incredible US university opportunities. The presentation is tailored to students in years 9-12 and will draw from our expertise having worked in US university admissions.

## **[TAFE](#)**

### **[TAFE NSW 20 new virtual TVET courses](#)**

TAFE is proud to announce 20 new virtual TVET courses delivering real world future-focussed skills across a range of exciting career areas. Now available for year 10 students across NSW to select as part of their year 11 and 12 curriculum. Students will finish school with a TAFE NSW Certificate II or III qualification and credit towards their HSC and ATAR\*.

### **[TAFE NSW Campus Tours](#)**

TAFE NSW Campus Tours are back! Do you have students interested in studying at TAFE NSW? Booking a campus tour at your local TAFE NSW location is the perfect way for students to experience TAFE NSW facilities and campus life. Complete the online form and your local TAFE NSW representative will contact you.

### **[TAFE Snapshot on Engineering and Electrotechnology](#)**

Which occupations in this industry are likely to have the largest employment growth over the next three years? Which TAFE NSW courses are popular for people looking to get into these job roles and how much can you earn?

### **[TAFE Snapshot on Aviation and Maritime](#)**

Which occupations in this industry are likely to have the largest employment growth over the next three years? Which TAFE NSW courses are popular for people looking to get into these job roles and how much can you earn?

### **[TAFE Snapshot on Community Service Counselling](#)**

Which occupations in this industry are likely to have the largest employment growth over the next three years? Which TAFE NSW courses are popular for people looking to get into these job roles and how much can you earn?

### **[Powerhouse and TAFE NSW offer free digital and creative skills workshops for Western Sydney students](#)**

28 June to 2 July. Workshops are available to Western Sydney high school students and will focus on working with Visual Abstract Storyteller & Designer, Anna Fraser. In this 5-day Creative Studio workshop, students in years 7-10 will learn from Anna's wealth of experience in Visual FX Design & 2D Animation.

### **[Guide for Apprentices and Trainees](#)**

This guide, from Training Services NSW at the Department of Industry, welcomes your students into their apprenticeships and traineeships. Becoming an apprentice or trainee is a proven way for your students to get the skills and connections they need and this guide will help them (and you) to make the most of their exciting journey.

### **[Role of an apprentice or trainee](#)**

Apprentices and trainees have specific roles and responsibilities when they sign up to complete their apprenticeship or traineeship training.

### [Winter skills to support ski industry boom](#)

Minister for Skills Geoff Lee announces a program to develop a regional workforce for the snow season. The NSW Government has launched the Winter Skills program to equip the regional workforce with in-demand skills ahead of a bumper 2021 snow season.

### [2021 Apprenticeship & Traineeship Expos](#)

**Tuesday 7 September 2021 – 3pm to 8pm – [Penrith Valley Regional Sports Centre](#)** With the infrastructure boom we are experiencing, the future need for apprentices, trainees and skilled workers has never before been in such high demand. Free public admission. Bring copies of your résumé.

## **COLLEGES**

### [The Hotel School – Q&A Webinar](#)

15 June. 5.30pm to 6pm. Unsure if online study is right for you? Join us for a special Q&A webinar with online student Teia. Based in Regional NSW, Teia is currently studying a Bachelor of Business in Hotel Management

### [Torrens University - School Holiday Workshops: Design & Technology](#)

3 July. 10.00am to 2.30pm. Join our workshops to uncover what's in store when you undertake a course at Billy Blue College of Design at Torrens University Australia. Dive deeper into the worlds of Fashion, Interior Design, Communication & Graphic Design, Photography and Gaming & Animation to find your passion.

### [Torrens University - School Holiday Workshops: Health](#)

9 July 2021. 10am to 1pm. If you want to play a critical role in Health, join our workshops to see what it takes to graduate job-ready. Join our workshops and connect with academics and students to discover about Nursing, Counselling, Nutrition, Naturopathy, Health Science and more.

### [Torrens University School Holiday Workshops: Hospitality](#)

A career in Hospitality can take you anywhere. Join our workshops to learn about the opportunities available to you when you study Hospitality and Culinary Management with us.

### [William Angliss Job Seeker Courses](#)

Go for a wide range of hospitality courses that give you skills to get into a job in the industry.

### [SAE Creative Media Institute SAE Create for a Day Workshops](#)

3 July 2021. 10AM - 3PM; \$25 per person (incl. GST). Buy ticket now: SAE Creative Media Institute SAE Sydney is opening its doors this July for the SAE Create for a day workshops, a one-day program to expand your skills and get you working on inspiring creative projects in the fields of Animation, Audio, Design, Film, Games, Music Production or Song writing.

### [ISCD Interior Design Online Short Courses](#)

**Enrol NOW & SAVE! Use Promo Code 'JUNE21' at checkout to get 30% off on your course fees.**

These short courses are for anyone interested in the world of design. Each one is aimed at giving you the basic foundation knowledge and skills in the specialised areas.

### [AFTRS Past Talks with Leaders in the Film Industry – Live Stream and Free](#)

Talks @ AFTRS is a series of free, live-streamed events for the screen and broadcast industry. Each Tuesday lunchtime, we'll be hosting an inspiring chat with industry luminaries, who will talk about their current projects, careers, and inspirations.

### [AFTRS Teens Workshops Short Courses](#)

Also look out for our introductory Short Courses for 16 yrs and over, including the Intro to Directing, Documentary, Screenwriting, Producing and Production Design which are great introductions to the disciplines. For further information contact [shortcourses@aftrs.edu.au](mailto:shortcourses@aftrs.edu.au) or call 1300 223 877.

## GENERAL

### [National Youth Science Forum 2022](#)

Apply now! Closes 2 July. The National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) Year 12 program is delivered over 12 days via a combination of in-person and digital events. The NYSF program is designed to provide high school students with a deeper understanding of the broad.

### [Hard skills v soft skills](#)

Who would win in a fight? A TAFE NSW report reveals which skills you will need most, and how you can get them. Hard skills explained. Hard skills are sometimes referred to as the 'doing skills'. These skills are ones that you can learn through the more 'traditional' education techniques and tend to be career specific.

Soft skills explained Soft skills are otherwise described as "human", "social", "emotional" or "people" skills.

### [ADF Recruiting Options for Indigenous People](#)

Enjoy the rewarding lifestyle of working in the Army, Navy or Airforce with hundreds of Indigenous people. Meet them in the various roles they perform. Learn more about the opportunities for Indigenous Australians in your chosen Service.

### [Are you choosing a course for the right reasons?](#)

[Picking a course](#) can be tough. You need to think about what you want to study, how you want to do it and where, while also considering the best path towards your chosen career. There are big differences between courses, so how do you know you're [making the right choice](#)? We take a look at some of the reasons why you shouldn't choose a course.

### [Things you really need to consider before deciding to study dietetics](#)

Difference between a nutritionist & a dietitian – You need to be aware that there is a distinct difference between a nutritionist and a dietitian. It is possible to do a two-week correspondence course, or to have absolutely no qualifications at all and call yourself a "nutritionist".

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### [Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand](#)

The Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand quarterly educator's newsletter helps you stay up to date with the latest thought leadership pieces, tools, resources and notifications about upcoming events and activities.

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# Educational Pathways Pilot Program

The Educational Pathways Pilot Program, also referred to as the EPPP, was launched in 2020 and continues until 2023. It is an innovative program designed to improve higher education and career outcomes for young people.

The pilot initiatives centre on:

- Helping students into school-based apprenticeships and traineeships through mentoring and support.
- Expanding opportunities for school students to engage with fee-free VET Smart & Skilled programs.
- Strengthening careers advice and job-ready life skills for young people.

## Initiatives making up the Educational Pathways Pilot Program

- Specialist Careers Immersion Teams have been launched. Under the leadership of a dedicated Head Teacher - Careers Education, the Teams will be collaborating with local industry and employers to create training opportunities for students. Our goal is to make sure all students are work-ready for jobs in our regions.
- Dedicated School Based Apprentice and Traineeship Mentors will soon come on board to support and guide students and also work with industry and employers to develop partnerships with the school and broker employment opportunities.
- Career guidance and support for students who may be struggling to decide which subject choices and post-school education is right for them.
- Firsthand accounts from NSW's best apprentices and trainees discussing the valuable and long-term career opportunities that a vocational qualification offers.
- Opportunities to study construction apprenticeship or traineeship units at school that could lead to higher level VET qualifications and a one-year credit into a university degree.
- Workshops to help inform students about employer expectations for work, including how to dress, how to behave and important employability skills.
- The extension of funding to school students who do not want to pursue the HSC to undertake VET pathways while still at school.
- Important wrap-around services for early school leavers looking to access TAFE NSW.

These are just a selection of what is on offer for our students. We encourage you to contact your Careers Adviser to learn more and get involved in these exciting initiatives.



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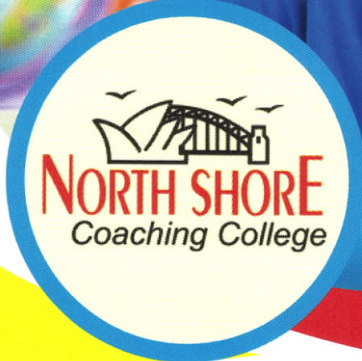
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