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From the Deputy Principal - Mr. Jankovics

I thank all the Muirfield community – students, teachers, parents, support staff – for making 2020, despite the extraordinary challenges we all faced, an outstanding year. Navigating this pandemic so successfully really highlighted for me why Muirfield is a great place to work and learn.

Working within COVID-19 restrictions has required so many of our traditional activities for Term 4 to be reimaged. Orientation Day, Work Experience, Peer Support Training, Transition programs, Summer Arts and Presentation Day have been remodelled and reorganised to help ensure the COVID safety of our students and community.

These programs are integral to a student's Muirfield experience and would simply not have occurred this year without the ingenuity, creativity and hard work of the organising staff members. At the end of the day staff commit to these programs because of their belief in the benefit of a holistic and well-rounded education for our young people.

Year 7 Orientation

Over 150 students joined us for Orientation Day. A terrific and informative day was had by all as the students explored the school, met their Peer Support Leaders for the first time and finished their visit with a sausage sizzle.





Many of the students were initially a little nervous about their new surroundings. By the end of the day, they were all much more confident and happier for the experience.

Unfortunately the parents couldn't join us on the school site for orientation so the usual jokes about them being more nervous than their children will have to be put off for another year. To ensure that parents did not miss out on key information the school conducted a Year 7 Parent 2021 information session on zoom. Many parents joined in from work, home and play to listen to key messages from the Principal, Ms Reeves and the Year 7 2021 cohort's Year Adviser Ms Angelo.

A big thank you to the Year 10 Peer Support Leaders who, under the leadership of Ms Yau, delivered high quality and engaging activities that had all Year 6 students feeling confident and excited about starting in 2021. The Peer Support Program not only allows our new members of the Muirfield community to get to know some friendly faces, but it allows our students to build their leadership abilities. It is amazing how some of our quiet and unassuming students are able to shine during these programs.

I would also like to thank the two Year 7 students, Hugo Burness-Cowan and Mikaela Fancey, who addressed the 2021 cohort at the morning assembly. They spoke with such confidence and pride in their school that I'm sure the incoming students cannot wait to start.





HSC Results are soon to be Released & the ATAR BBQ

Over the past few weeks I have seen an increasing number of very nervous students who completed their HSC this year. The reason for their anxious faces lies in the forthcoming release of HSC results, which are due Friday 18th December.

As in previous years, on the day that results are released, the school will host a barbecue for all graduating Year 12 2021 students. This year it will be held in our newly renovated Senior Courtyard at 11am. This is an opportunity to share their ATARs, to debrief and if necessary, gain some advice or guidance.

Student Attendance and Providing Explanations

We have had a number of enquiries lately about student attendance and providing explanations for an absence from school please see attached fact sheet on pages 13 & 14, from the NSW Department of Education & Communities .

The DoE policy states - Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written for the absence.





Summer Arts

Summer Arts took to the online environment this year and continued to showcase the talents of all our artists, musicians, dancers and drama students. As well as providing great entertainment, the online presentations showcased the work that students have produced in the final stages of their respective creative and performing arts courses.

A huge thank you goes to Ms Frame and her team for finding a way that this showcase could continue despite COVID restrictions.



Equipment Lists

Equipment lists for 2021 for Year 7, 8, 9&10, & 11&12 can be found on pages 9 to 12 of this newsletter to help your child be ready for the new school year.

Uniform Reminder for 2021

The P&C and the wider Muirfield community strongly support the wearing of the school uniform; hence the uniform shop is totally managed by the P&C. Before parents purchase any uniform items I urge parents to use the uniform shop to ensure that the purchased items will definitely be approved by the school.

The Department of Education has very clear guidelines on what is appropriate footwear. To help parents avoid any confusion I have included visuals of what is approved footwear in this newsletter.





Also to further help parents, information about uniform and footwear is also available on the school website. To avoid students getting into unnecessary trouble next year please support the school when purchasing uniform for 2021. I thank you all in advance for your support.

The most common items that our students wear that are NOT uniform include:

- Branded running shorts instead of designated school sport shorts
- Sports shorts and track pants on non-sport days on boys
- Non-school tracksuit pants branded and non branded
- Non-leather shoes on both boys and girls
- Black elasticised tights/active wear



Please note that breaches of school uniform are reported on all school reports from Year 7 -12.

Thank you to the vast majority of families and students that help us in maintaining our positive public image and strong school spirit that wearing correct uniform engenders. Your cooperation in this important matter is appreciated.





Illustrative Guide to Assist in the Purchase of Acceptable School Shoes

	Acceptable Boys Shoes: Features: - Black leather - Laced or Velcro - Upper foot protection - Non-slip sole
	Unacceptable Boys Shoes: Features: - Splashes of colour/white (shoes must be totally black, inc. shoelaces and sole) - Canvas upper Eg Vans or Rabens
	Acceptable Girl's Shoes: - Leather upper providing protection to the majority of the upper foot - Laced (preferred) or leather strapped* - Heal and sole with non-slip grip
	Unacceptable Girl's Shoes: - The majority of the upper foot is unprotected. - Smooth sole with little grip - No/token heel - Thin/soft leather offering little protection.
Sports Shoes 	Acceptable Sports Shoes - Lace up/Velcro (no slip ons) - Covers all of the top of the foot - Provides arch support and sole protection

***Please note: Vans are NOT acceptable School Shoes nor are Rabens acceptable Sports Shoes.**



TERM 4 TRADING HOURS

Every Monday
12:30 - 1:30pm

1st Monday of the Month
5:30pm - 7:00pm

2020 Additional Trading Hours

	Times
Monday 14 th December 2020	12:30pm - 1:30pm LAST DAY OPEN FOR 2020

2021 Additional Trading Hours

	Times
Wednesday 27 th January 2021 Staff Professional Development Day	9:00 - 12:00pm & 5:30pm - 7:00pm
Thursday 28 th January 2021 Staff Professional Development Day	9:00 - 12:00pm
Friday 29 th January 2021 1st Day Back Year 7, 11, & 12	8:00am - 10:00am
Monday 1 st January 2021 1st Day Back Year 8, 9, & 10	7:30am - 9:00am & 12:30pm - 1:30pm



Farewell to some of our amazing Teaching Staff

As we say good-bye to the year, I would like to acknowledge the work of the teachers who have not only made all the extra-curricular and leadership activities, and growth that these activities bring, possible but who have continued to work at ensuring we have a strong learning culture.



I farewell some of our staff who will be pursuing other challenges in 2021. Mr. Jonathan Wilcox and Ms. Shelley Frame have gained temporary positions within the Department of Education for 2021. Mr. Wilcox as Relieving Head Teacher Admin at Epping Boys High School, Ms. Frame as an instructional leader for HSC teaching. Ms. Shrestha is also leaving us after four years for a school closer to home.

Also leaving us is, Ms. Anne Manning, of the Barclay Learning Centre. She is retiring after dedicating 35 years to teaching students with disabilities.

Their breadth of knowledge will be missed. I wish them the best and thank them very much for their contributions to this school.



YEAR 7 STUDENT EQUIPMENT LIST 2021

ALL SUBJECTS

Blue or Black pens x2

Red pen x1

Highlighters

USB Flash Drive

Box of Geometric Instruments (including a protractor)

Calculator CASIO 82AU (available from the school office \$20)

Lead Pencils x2

Glue Stick

Eraser

Coloured pencils (12 pack) x1

Ruler, 300mm, plastic

Scissors, 160mm

Students are not to bring permanent marker pens eg. Artline textas, graffiti pens, whiteout or liquid paper to school.

ENGLISH

A4 Exercise Book (128 pages)

MATHEMATICS

A4 Exercise Book (128 pages)

A4 Grid Book 5mm ruled (128 pages) for A4 binder

Textbook

SCIENCE

A4 Exercise Books (128 pages) x2

HSIE

A4 Exercise Books (96 pages) x2

VISUAL ARTS

A4 Visual Arts Diary

2B, 4B and 6B Drawing Pencils x1 of each

MUSIC

A4 Music Book (96 pages)

A4 Display Folder

PDHPE

A4 Exercise Book (64 pages)

MHS sport shirt

MHS sport shorts

Sports footwear

PERFORMANCE STUDIES

A4 Exercise Book (64 pages)

TAS

A4 Exercise Book (64 pages)

A4 Display Folder

Black leather enclosed shoes for all subjects

YEAR 8 STUDENT EQUIPMENT LIST 2021

ALL SUBJECTS

Blue or Black pens x2

Red pen x1

Highlighters

USB Flash Drive

Box of Geometric Instruments (including a protractor)

Calculator CASIO 82AU (available from the school office \$20)

Lead Pencils x2

Glue Stick

Eraser

Coloured pencils (12 pack) x1

Ruler, 300mm, plastic

Scissors, 160mm

Students are not to bring permanent marker pens eg. Artline textas, graffiti pens, whiteout or liquid paper to school.

ENGLISH

A4 Exercise Book (128 pages)

MATHEMATICS

A4 Exercise Book (128 pages)

A4 Grid book 5mm ruled (128 pages) for A4 binder

Textbook

SCIENCE

A4 Exercise Books (128 pages) x2

HSIE

A4 Exercise Books (128 pages) x2

VISUAL ARTS

A4 Visual Arts Diary

2B, 4B and 6B Drawing Pencils x1 of each

MUSIC

Music Book (96 pages)

A4 Display Folder

Headphones/earbuds (cheap)

PDHPE

MHS sport shirt

MHS sport shorts

Sports footwear

Languages

Exercise Book (128 pages)

Display Folder

TAS

A4 Exercise Book (64 pages)

A4 Display Folder

Black leather enclosed shoes for all subjects

YEAR 9 & 10 STUDENT EQUIPMENT LIST 2021

ALL SUBJECTS

Blue or Black pens x2	Lead Pencilsx2	Coloured pencils (12 pack) x1
Red pen x1	Glue Stick	Ruler, 300mm, plastic
Highlighters	Eraser	Scissors, 160mm
USB Flash Drive		
Box of Geometric Instruments (including a protractor)		
Calculator CASIO 82AU (available from the school office \$20)		

Students are not to bring permanent marker pens eg. Artline textas, graffiti pens, whiteout or liquid paper to school.

ENGLISH

A4 Exercise Books (128 pages) x2

MATHEMATICS

A4 Exercise Books (128 pages) x2
A4 Grid Book 5mm ruled (128 pages) for A4 binder
Textbook

SCIENCE

A4 Exercise Book (128 pages)

HSIE – includes Australian Geography and History, as well as elective Commerce and History

A4 Exercise Book (128 pages), for each subject that your child will be studying

DANCE

Black tights and black shirt
Black hairband
Dance shoes (optional)

MUSIC

Music Book (96 pages)
Display Folder

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

A4 Display Folder
A4 Visual Arts Diary
Black leather enclosed shoes

PDHPE and PASS

Exercise Book (96 pages) x2
MHS sport shirt, and sport shorts
Sports footwear

DRAMA

Black shirt and MHS tracksuit pants or school sport shorts
A4 Visual Arts Diary (Logbook)

VISUAL ARTS

A4 Visual Arts Diary
2B, 4B and 6B Drawing Pencils x1 of each

FOOD TECHNOLOGY

A4 Display Folder
Black leather enclosed shoes
Apron, tea towel, dish cloth, container

VISUAL DESIGN

A4 Visual Arts Diary
2B, 4B and 6B Drawing Pencils x1 of each

JAPANESE

Exercise Book (128 pages)
A4 Display Folder

YEAR 11 & 12 STUDENT EQUIPMENT LIST 2021

ALL SUBJECTS

Blue or Black pens x2	Lead pencils HB x2	Eraser
Red pens x2	Ruler, 300mm, plastic	Highlighters
Glue sticks	Scissors, 160mm	
Calculator CASIO 82AU (available from the school office \$20)		
USB Flash Drive		

Students are not to bring permanent marker pens eg. Artline textas, graffiti pens, whiteout or liquid paper to school.

ENGLISH

A4 Exercise Books (128 pages) x2

MATHEMATICS

Exercise Books (128 pages minimum) x2

Box of Geometric Instruments (including a protractor and pair of compasses)

SCIENCES

A4 Exercise Book (96 pages) x4 – one for each unit of work

Folder/Ring binder (optional)

HSIE SUBJECTS Business Studies, Legal Studies, Society and Culture, Modern & Ancient History

A4 Exercise Book (240 pages) x1 for each subject you are studying

Plastic Document folder

AGRICULTURE

Folder/Ring Binder

Black leather enclosed shoes

MUSIC

Music Book (96 pages)

Display Folder

VET Hospitality

Full chef uniform

Black leather enclosed shoes

DANCE

Black tights and black shirt

Dance shoes (optional)

PDHPE

A4 Exercise Book

(96 pages) x1

VET Primary Industries

Plastic Document folder

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

A4 Display Folder

Steel cap boots

PHOTOGRAPHY

A4 Visual Arts Diary

Digital Camera

VET Sports Coaching

MHS sports shirt and sport shorts

Sports footwear

DRAMA

Black shirt

MHS sports tracksuit pants

or school sports shorts

VISUAL ARTS

A4 Visual Arts Diary

JAPANESE

A4 Exercise Book (240 pages)

Display Folder

It is recommended that all senior students use a folder system to store all work documents together to ensure the organisation of their resources.



Compulsory School Attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.





My child won't go to school. What should I do?

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education and Communities may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

- Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

- Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department

may apply to the Children's Court for a *Compulsory Schooling Order*. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

- Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

What age can my child leave school?

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

Working in Partnership

The Department of Education and Communities recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.

Further information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

Policy, information and brochures:

Please visit the Department of Education's *Policy library*

The school leaving age:

Please visit the Department of Education's *Wellbeing and Learning* website

Do you need an interpreter?

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 131 450. You will not be charged for this service.

For further advice and questions contact your educational services team

T 131 536

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For It ...?



Launching
by Week 10

2021 CAPA Extra-Curricular Information

The CAPA department has many extra-curricular activities available in 2021.

These are great opportunities to extend students and offer them chances to experiences that are not normally available to class based lessons.

Student enrolment criteria is based on tutor discretion, and includes appropriate and safe behaviour, prompt payment of fees, respectful interactions with tutors and other students and a desire to improve on skills and abilities that have already been mastered within the normal classroom. Normal school rules and expectations apply.

All extra-curricular begin Week 2 of Term 1.

***Please note - These dates, times and costs are based on the 2020 schedule and therefore maybe subject to change during the first weeks of Term 1 2021.**

School Band

Teaching Services Australia (TSA) is a company that provides band programs throughout greater Sydney and the Central Coast, they coordinate the Concert Band program at MHS and invoice students through their company.

Date:	Tuesdays 2:45pm-3:30pm – Concert Band 2 Rehearsal / Wind Ensemble Tutorials 3:30pm-4:30pm – Concert Band 1 (Wind Ensemble) Rehearsal 3:30pm-4:00pm – Concert Band Tutorials 12:45pm-1:30pm & 4:00pm-5:30pm – private tuition Thursdays 2:45pm-3:30pm-Stage Band
Transport:	Parent responsibility to arrange collection of students
Cost:	Payable through TSA Band & Sectional (all students, both concert bands) - \$195 Private Tuition (optional extension) - \$395 Stage Band (optional extension) - \$95
Additional information:	Meet in the school hall. The music side room is available for storage of instruments during the day, it is available before roll call and after period 4. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee the security of anything left in it. Instruments are left at student's own risk and responsibility.

Event Crew

The Muirfield High Event Crew is a select group of students from Yr7 - 12 whose 'behind the scenes' service make school events; such as Merit Assemblies, Graduation Ceremonies, Madd Night and Summer Arts possible. Students gain experience and specialise in a range of staging, audio visual and leadership roles.

Date:	As required
Transport:	Parent responsibility to arrange collection of students
Cost:	\$50 (for black MHS Event Crew Polo, only needs to be purchased once, not every year, students will be notified if they are required to pay)
Additional Information:	As these students will be working at extracurricular events such as MADD, SummerArts and assemblies, they will be required to catch up on any missed class work and communicate with their class teachers.

Drama Club – Thistle Theatre

These lessons are offered to students in Year 7 – 10, providing them with the opportunity to learn and develop skills in making and performing drama pieces. Students in the Drama Club are given the opportunity to perform at either MADD night and the Summer Arts performance night. The Drama Club will be run by Miss Kidd with the help of some older students.

Date:	Thursday 2:45 – 3:45
Transport:	Parent responsibility to arrange collection of students
Cost:	Additional cost of costume for performance nights may be required at a later date
Additional Information:	Meet at the Drama Room Students may bring runners/joggers for drama in their school bags Students must bring clothes appropriate for drama in their school bags.

Dance Group

These lessons are offered to Year 7 and 8 offering students a social environment to learn dance and dance skills. Students in dance group are given the opportunity to perform at MADD night and at the Summer Arts performance night. The Dance Groups will be run by Miss Knobbs with the help of some older students. Miss Knobbs has 22 years of dance experience in a variety of dance styles, teaching in a studio environment for 12 years as well as at schools. She has worked with students who have performed overseas at Disneyland and Universal Studios, in musicals and in many community events.

Date:	Year 7-8 Thursdays 2.45pm-3.45pm: Dance Room
Transport:	Parent responsibility to arrange collection of students
Cost:	\$15 per term payable to the schools front office (*additional cost of costume for performance nights may be required at a later date)
Additional Information:	Meet in the dance room. Students may bring dance shoes (e.g. jazz shoes) or dance bare foot. Students must bring clothes appropriate for dance in their school bags.

Boys Hip Hop Group

These lessons are offered to Year 7 and 8 boys offering students a social environment to learn hip hop dance and dance skills. Students in dance group are given the opportunity to perform at Summer Arts performance night. The Boys Hip Hop Group will be run by Miss Knobbs. Miss Knobbs has 22 years of dance experience in a variety of dance styles, teaching in a studio environment for 12 years as well as at schools. She has worked with students who have performed overseas at Disneyland and Universal Studios, in musicals and in many community events.

Date:	Tuesdays 2.45pm-3.30pm: Dance Room
Transport:	Parent responsibility to arrange collection of students
Cost:	Additional cost of costume for performance nights may be required at a later date
Additional Information:	Meet in the dance room. Students may bring runners/joggers or dance bare foot. Students must bring clothes appropriate for dance in their school bags.

Guitar Groups

The groups have been running for over ten years with huge success a percentage of the students who began their lessons in year seven have followed through to HSC level. The lessons also offer a fantastic social environment with the common goal of learning the guitar and performing at MADD Night and Summer-art's.

Lessons are run by Craig Laird (ex – student of Muirfield). Craig is a professional musician with over 20 years in the industry, students are invoiced through his business. He has performed with Glenn Shorrock, Kate Ceberano, Angry Anderson, Ross Wilson, Richard Clapton and is still touring and performing as a member of the iconic Australian band “1927”.

Date:	Monday 2:40pm-3:10pm - Beginners Guitar Group 3:10pm-3:40pm - Intermediate Guitar Group 3:40pm-4:10pm – Advanced Guitar Group 4.10pm-4:40pm – Senior Guitar (by invitation)
Transport:	Parent responsibility to arrange collection of students
Cost:	Payable Craig Laird at or before the beginning of each term. \$155 a term
Additional Information:	Meet in the school music room. The music side room is available for storage of instruments during the day, it is available before roll call and after period 4. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee the security of anything left in it. Instruments are left at students own risk and responsibility. Students may stay on school ground between period 4 and guitar classes. If you wish to have your child supervised during this time they must bring some quiet work to do in H25 or C22 where Ms Frame or another teacher will supervise. They will not be permitted to leave the school grounds. Please let either Ms Frame or Craig know if students are not able to attend classes.

Art Group

These lessons are offered to all year groups in a social environment to learn visual art and applied art skills. These weekly art classes will broaden students' knowledge of art and develop artistic ability, building on what is already taught in formal timetabled classes. Various projects will be worked on, focusing on medium and technique. Students will be given the opportunity to exhibit at MADD, Summer Arts, school based exhibitions, public art and art competitions. This group will be run by Miss Frame. Miss Frame has more than 20 years of studio art experience in a variety of genres and medias. She is a COFA graduate, has exhibited nationally and has been awarded multiple art awards.

Date:	Tuesdays 2.45pm-4.30pm: C22
Transport:	Parent responsibility to arrange collection of students
Cost:	The normal invoiced school fees must be paid in full (hardship scholarship may be available after discussion with HT CAPA) Additional cost of competition entry may be required at a later date.
Additional Information:	Meet in C22. Limited places are available. Only students currently in Y7/8 VA or an elective art/design/photo class may enrol. Students may bring apron or smock, plus basic drawing equipment.

Vocal Group

Muirfield vocal group is open to all students. The ensemble performs a wide range of contemporary and choral music from a range of styles. Students will have the opportunity to perform at MADD night and Summer Arts. The group is run by Miss Craig. Miss Craig is a classically trained soprano with twenty years of choral experience including numerous years teaching music in private studios and schools.

Date:	Thursday lunch in term 1 to move to Wednesday 2:35-3:35 in term 2.
Transport:	Parent responsibility to arrange collection of students
Cost:	The normal invoiced school fees must be paid in full (hardship scholarship may be available after discussion with HT CAPA) Additional cost of competition entry may be required at a later date.
Additional Information:	Students should meet in the music room at the start of lunch. Students will be given a short amount of time to eat at the beginning of rehearsal.



**MUIRFIELD HIGH SCHOOL
CONSENT INFORMATION
2021 CAPA Extra-Curricular Information Note**

Section A

PARENT/CAREGIVER CONSENT

I give permission for my son/daughter student: _____ of roll call
group: _____ to attend the

- ☐ Concert Band
- ☐ Stage Band
- ☐ Beginners, Intermediate or Advanced Guitar Group
- ☐ Senior Guitar Group
- ☐ Dance Group
- ☐ Boys Hip Hop Dance Group
- ☐ Event Crew
- ☐ Drama Group
- ☐ Art Group
- ☐ Vocal Group

Signed: _____

Date: / /

Section B

MEDICAL INFORMATION

Parent/Caregiver Contact Details

Name:

Home Phone: Work: Mobile:

Email:

Emergency Contact Details

Name: Phone:

List existing medical conditions or illnesses (including asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, allergies etc). Outline the treatment for each.

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Outline any special dietary needs including possible reaction to inappropriate diet.

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Medication(s) to be administered during the excursion. Include name of medication, instructions for administration, time of administration, and any possible reactions.

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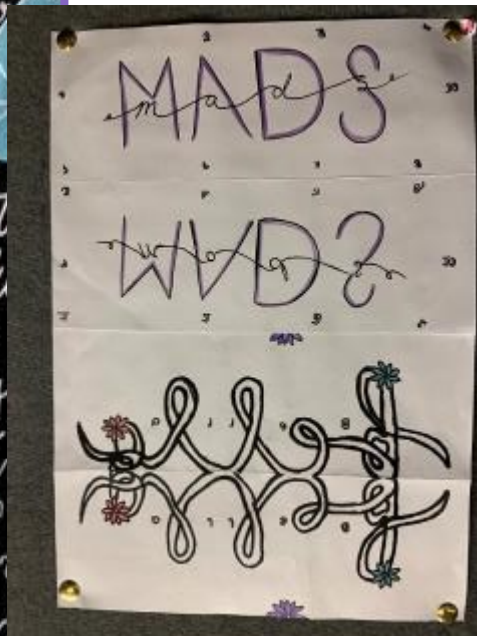
PRIVACY ADVICE

Information provided on this form is being obtained for the purpose of ascertaining relevant medical information, requirements and other health care needs of your child during the above excursion/activity. It will be used by officers of the NSW Department of Education to assist in planning, to support students, and to minimise risks during this excursion/activity. Other persons or agencies that may be provided with information include, but are not limited to, volunteers and members of external organisations who join the school or are otherwise involved in the planning or delivery of the excursion/activity; and persons that may be called upon to provide health care or other treatment or assistance during or as a consequence of the excursion/activity. Provision of this information is not required by law. However, a failure to provide the information may mean that your child cannot participate in a particular excursion/activity. In such circumstances, the school will make available a sound alternative educational experience. Provision of this information will greatly assist the school in planning a safer educational activity. It will be stored securely. If you have any concerns about the provision of this information, please contact the school to discuss it further. You may correct any personal information provided at any time by contacting the school office on: 9872 2244.

J. Reeves
Principal

Year 7 & 8 Maths Art

In Term 4 Year 8 looked at Symmetry as part of a transformations unit and created some amazing symmetry art.



Year 7 completed a unit on 2D and 3D shapes and drawing using isometric



Earlier this year Year 8 met Pi π and made a class run of 100 + decimal places.



Last but not least we have entered our mathematical Christmas phase. Here is one of the first of the wall decorations an origami wreath – very hard to navigate. Thanks Bianca and Mary-Rose



FREE

Tips for Parenting your Teens

1 hour online (zoom) chats on parenting your teen presented by Interrelate Relationship Counsellor Ian Parkin.

We will chat about ways to improve your relationship with your teen, better understand your teen and ways to talk to your teen so they will listen.

Come along to one session or all sessions.

11 Nov 2020: Tips for a calmer household.

18 Nov 2020: Love Languages and recognizing when your teen is reaching out for you.

25 Nov 2020: The basic's of how to talk so others will listen.

2 Dec 2020: How understanding attachment helps all our relationships.

9 Dec 2020: How to help your teen with their feelings and emotions.

16 Dec 2020: Self care and mindfulness for the holidays.

Wednesdays 5pm—6pm

Online via zoom

Presenter Interrelate Counsellor Ian

To obtain the zoom link and RSVP email

ian.parkin@interrelate.org.au

P&C & Uniform Shop News

P&C News

The last P&C meeting of 2020, was held in November.

Next year our focus will be on supporting upgrades to our student amenities, including more seating in the playgrounds.

Please join us next year on the second Wednesday of each month.

If you would like to contact the P&C, please email us on muirfield.p.and.c@gmail.com.

Charmaine Hetem
P&C President

School Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is now open to students and parents. Our hours are Monday 12:30pm - 1:30pm and the 1st Monday evening of the month during school terms, 5:30pm - 7:00pm.

The uniform shop is now closed for 2020, however we will be open for additional days at the beginning of the 2021 school year. Dates and times can be found on the next page.

You can continue to purchase online in the usual manner.

If you have any issues please feel free to contact the uniform shop directly via email at mfh.pnc.uniform@gmail.com or via the school office on a Monday on 9872 2244.

We thank you for your patience at this time.

Kate Salmon

MUIRFIELD HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

TERM 4 TRADING HOURS

**Every Monday
12:30 - 1:30pm**

**1st Monday of the Month
5:30pm - 7:00pm**

2020 Additional Trading Hours

	Times
Monday 14 th December 2020	12:30pm - 1:30pm LAST DAY OPEN FOR 2020

2021 Additional Trading Hours

	Times
Wednesday 27 th January 2021 Staff Professional Development Day	9:00 - 12:00pm & 5:30pm - 7:00pm
Thursday 28 th January 2021 Staff Professional Development Day	9:00 - 12:00pm
Friday 29 th January 2021 1st Day Back Year 7, 11, & 12	8:00am - 10:00am
Monday 1 st January 2021 1st Day Back Year 8, 9, & 10	7:30am - 9:00am & 12:30pm - 1:30pm

MUIRFIELD HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP



Muirfield High School Uniform Shop

All uniform items now available on Qkr!

Qkr! (pronounced 'quicker') is an easy to use app that makes ordering and paying for your school uniforms quick, simple and secure.

Getting Started is Easy

Step 1 Download Qkr!

Download the Qkr! app to your phone or tablet device (App Store or Play Store)

Step 2 Register

Follow the prompts and select Australia.

Set up your name and a password.

Add your credit card details.

Find Muirfield High School.

Add the names of your children.

Step 3 Start shopping

Choose the next Monday delivery.

Select the items you want, add to Cart, then Checkout when you are finished.

You can view and print a receipt (or email it) if required.

Step 4 Collect purchase

Students pick up their uniform items during Monday lunchtime opening 12:30 – 1:30pm.

(Orders to be placed by Sunday midnight for following Monday pick up)

What if I don't have a smart phone?

You can use Qkr! online. Go to <http://qkr-store.qkrschool.com/store> (or Google: qkr australia) and enter Muirfield in the search field. You will need to register, add a child and you will then be able to order uniforms online.

Questions about using Qkr!?

If you require further information or have any concerns, please email Muirfield P&C Assoc. Uniform Shop Committee on mhs.pnc.uniform@gmail.com.

****Please note that Uniform Shop orders CANNOT be made via the 'Muirfield High School' website payment system.**



Muirfield High School P&C Association

Uniform Shop Price List/Order Form Term 1 2021

16/12/2020

	Size	No.	Price	Total
Junior Boys Shirt			\$32	
Senior Boys Shirt			\$32	
Unisex Cargo Shorts			\$38	
Boys Tailored Long Pants			\$50	
Junior Girls Blouse			\$32	
Senior Girls Blouse			\$32	
Pleated Black Skirt			\$38	
Girls Black Pants			\$30	
Green Jumper			\$45	
Green Zip Jacket (limited sizes while stocks last)			\$30	
Black Fleece Jacket			\$65	
Unisex Sport Shirt			\$33	
Unisex Straight Leg Sports Shorts			\$30	
Unisex Regular Leg Sports Shorts			\$30	
Tracksuit Jacket			\$45	
Tracksuit Pants			\$30	
Senior Ties			\$25	
Apron			\$15	
Scarf			\$8	

Total Amount Owing \$ _____

Payment can be made by Cash, Cheque or Visa/ MasterCard

Please make cheques payable to Muirfield High School Uniform Shop

WHY NOT USE OUR ONLINE
ORDERING VIA

Uniform shop hours : Monday: 12:30pm to 1:30pm
1st Monday night of the month: 5:30pm to 7:00pm
(except where the 1st Monday falls during school & public holidays)



SEE OVER

CREDIT CARD PAYMENT

Visa ☐ Mastercard ☐

Card No CCV

Expiry Date: / Amount \$

Cardholder's Name:

Cardholder's Signature:

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Term **ONE** 2021

	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
January		18	19	20	21	22
January	1	25	Australia Day 26	School Development Day Office Open 27	School Development Day Office Open 28	First Day of Term I 2021 for Year 7, 11 & 12 29
February	2	First Day of Term I 2021 for Year 8, 9 & 10 1	2	3**	School Photo Day  4	5
February	3	Healthy Lunchbox Week (begins Sunday 7 February, ends Saturday 13 February)				
February		8	9	10	School Swimming Carnival 11	12
February	4	15	16	17	School Photo Catch Up Day 	18
February	5	22	23	Year 7 Camp		
March	6	1	2	3	4	5
March	7	International Women's Day 8	9	10	11	12
March	8	Harmony Week (begins Monday 15 March, ends Sunday 21 March)				
March		15	16	17	18	National Ride 2 School Day 19
March	9	22	Year 7 Open Classrooms 23	24	25	26
March/ April	10	Year 7 Vaccinations (1st HPV & dTpa) Year 8 Vaccinations (2nd HPV) 29	30	31	Last Day Term I 2021 1	Good Friday 2



- Year 7, 11 and 12 return for 2021
- All students return for 2021

2021

School Holidays & Terms

- School Holidays
- Public Holidays
- School Development Days

January

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THE WEEKLY TIMES

Rotary

Clubs of Macquarie Park
and North Ryde



Rotary Carols 2020 ONLINE

Believe in the magic of Christmas!

Due to Covid-19, The Rotary Carols on the Common Committee have cancelled their outdoor Carols Event on the North Ryde Common. We still want to celebrate the Joy of Christmas with our community and help those in need.

Featuring our live video link on **Sunday 13th December at 7pm.**
Go to Facebook - Carols on the Common - Live online

Gather your group of family and friends and watch it on Social media or on your TV screen. We will be sending this link to various TV screens in our Community Clubs, Retail outdoor dining areas, nursing homes, hospitals and other community housing, where we can all raise our LED candles and wear our Santa hats and join in the carols.

Carols performed by



John Smolensky



Music Director & Chairperson
Rosanna Goffe



Arlyn Richards



Master of Ceremonies
Stephen Sim



Cheryl Wozny



Eleanor Tsai



Jane Murray

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Please ensure you have provided an email address on the enrolment form. Email is our primary means of communication with parents.



Our preference is for online enrolment – use the QR code or visit:

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1ST CARLINGFORD SCOUT HALL **SATURDAY & SUNDAY**
Boundary Road Carlingford (behind the library)

SATURDAY 5th & SUNDAY 6th December 8am - 4pm



**Parramatta Lions
Junior AFL Club**

**Come and play in a club that includes
Everyone as part of a team!**

*** All ages * All abilities * Boys and girls teams**



Play on Sundays. Train on Thursday nights. Home ground is Old Kings Oval
in Parramatta Park. For more info please contact Brad 0420 549 838
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at our upcoming Open Night

Muirfield High School, Barclay Rd North Rocks
Tuesday & Friday 4:30-5:15 and 5:30-6:30pm

Our classes provide a positive learning environment for the whole family.
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