



Muirfield Matters

Issue 6 2021

Term 2 Week 9

From the Deputy Principal - Ms. Hosen



Muirfield Farewells "The History Hut"

In 1978, a group of students, teachers and parents from Muirfield undertook a real-life building project – they moved a dilapidated hut from the Windsor district to the school site.

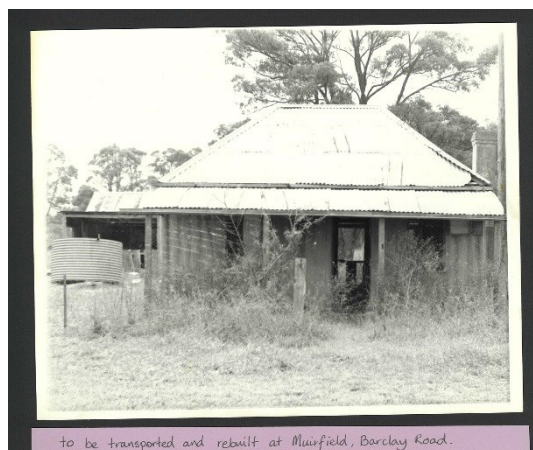
Below you can see photos of the hut in its original home and plans drawn by students for its rebuild.

Original ideas for its use included turning it into a museum but it has largely sat empty as its size and construction limit its use as a school facility. (Not totally empty.

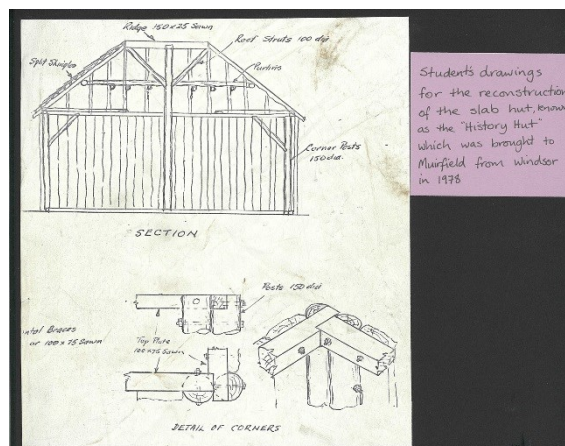
There is a story that a young student ran away from home and lived in the hut, undetected, for a number of weeks, until a neighbour reported the smoke coming from the chimney one night.)

Time and termites have had an impact on the original outer sheeting and some of the modern pine support beams. The hut was assessed as unsafe earlier in 2021 by the Department of Education building assessors.

In the 1980s schools were not restricted by so many regulations. But it has never been considered part of the



to be transported and rebuilt at Muirfield, Barclay Road.



Students drawings for the reconstruction of the slab hut, known as the "History Hut" which was brought to Muirfield from Windsor in 1978

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school buildings by the Department – understandable as it was a student project, not a designated building.

For 43 years it has sat in the middle of the school car park, adding to the bucolic vista with the farm and grazing sheep in the background. I know I will miss the daily view of the hut and farm – a bit of rural landscape in the suburbs.

Coincidences happen in life. A current history teacher, Ms Maxwell, has family links to the hut. The hut was originally built by the great-great-grandfather of Ms Maxwell's husband. He was an early farmer in the Windsor district.

While the physical hut will no longer exist, memories, photos and family connections will continue.

What are your connections? Was someone in your family involved in the removal of the hut from Windsor? Did you help build it? Let us know your story.



Views of the History Hut in its original position before being dismantled

Spirit Week

During Week 8, Muirfield celebrated one of its highly anticipated calendar events – Spirit Week.

Spirit Week is an initiative of the SRC designed to foster a sense of belonging among students and staff.

The week started with the SRC bake sale and live music at lunch time provided by a number of our



Music students. What talented and creative students we have here at Muirfield! Students and staff bopped along as bands and solo performers belted out well known tunes.



The huge success of the bake sale left many students wanting, with all cakes sold out during the recess break. Many of these goodies were prepared and beautifully packaged by students themselves.

Tuesday was a competition of the minds with a Teachers vs. Students Trivia Challenge. The SRC had a range of questions testing all players' ability on general knowledge, sport and popular culture.

After a lot of head scratching and team quarrels, the eventual winners were the Year 10 Girls table. The sausages sizzle on Thursday kept plenty of students satiated, and many more music performances continued in the C-Block courtyard.

The week ended with the pièce de résistance – the Talent Quest and Theme Day Parade. It was great to see so many students embrace Theme Day,



I felt like I had been transported to the days of my youth, as students donned shoulder pads and fluoro gear to emulate 80s and 90s fashion.

And for staff, dressing in current teenage clothing – it was not at all surprising to see so many hoodies and trackpants! Well done to those brave students (and teachers) who got up to “strut their stuff” down the catwalk. A special mention to our Talent Show winner, Varun Irani of Year 9, whose amazing mathematical talents impressed all!



The behaviour of students and the support they offered to others epitomised what the SRC were trying to achieve – a strong sense of school spirit which makes staff and students feel more invested in their school, which in turn makes them happier and motivates them to work harder and help each other out.

Congratulations to the SRC for their efforts and hard work that went into producing such a complex event, and to Mr Moon for his leadership of the SRC and the work he put into ensuring the event ran as smoothly as possible.

CAPA Workshops

Week 8 was not only a busy week due to Spirit Week, but we also had the annual CAPA Workshops.

The CAPA/LOTE faculty organised a series of educational workshops that covered music, band, visuals



arts, laser cutting, languages, drama and dance for our gifted students in Years 7 & 8 and our elective students in Years 9 to 12.

The purpose of these workshops is twofold: to allow intensive development of senior students leading up to their practical exams, to extend and challenge students with potential in these areas.

I would like to congratulate the CAPA/LOTE faculty for all their hard work and

time they have put into ensuring that our students receive authentic educational experiences.

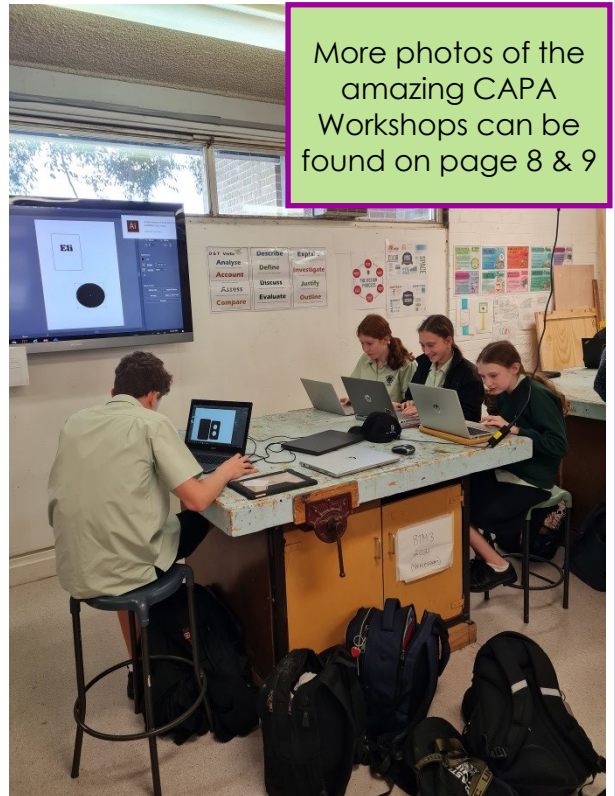
A special thank you to Ms Wong, Rel. Head Teacher CAPA/LOTE, for all the behind the scenes organisation that she has put into ensuring the success of these workshops.

Year 7 – 11 Reports

Years 8, 10 and 11 reports are now available on the Sentral parent portal, whilst reports for Years 7 and 9 are in the final phase of editing before they will be available before the end of term.

Year 11 2022 Information Evening and Subject Samplers

On Monday 19 July we will be holding our Year 11 2022 Information Evening in the school hall. Information about the requirements of subject choice and the procedures students need to follow will be discussed.



All parents, carers and students of Year 10 2020 are invited and highly encouraged to attend.

The evening will focus on:

- Higher School Certificate requirements
- MHS curriculum structure for the senior years
- the Higher School Certificate subjects on offer
- the rules covering patterns of study to be eligible for the HSC
- how the Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR) is calculated
- the HSC Minimum Standards
- the Year 11 Subject Information Booklet
- the Year 11 subject selection process
- TVET and TAFE courses on offer
- Pathways to the HSC

Subject Selection Samplers will take place during Week 3, where faculty representatives, will deliver a series of talks to Year 10 about subjects offered in their respective faculty.

Students should use this time to gather information about different subjects (some of which you may know very little about!), listen carefully to advice and ask questions, before having to make their final selections by Monday morning of Week 4.

In Week 4, students and their parents will be invited to attend an extensive subject selection interview via Zoom with an Executive Teacher, Year Adviser or Careers Adviser.

During the meeting, the conversation will cover issues such as whether NESA requirements have been met, and that subjects have been chosen in

consideration of their ability and future aspirations, among other issues. In past years, we have found this to be an effective process for helping students and provide detailed advice.

This meeting will work best if Parents attend to support their child in this important decision-making process.

Year 9 2022 Subject Selections

Year 8 will also be making their subject selections for 2022 early in Term 3.

This will be the first time that Year 8 have the opportunity to select three subjects that will contribute towards their RoSA.

Due to difficulties in physical distancing, this year we will deliver information to parents and students via our school website.

This will include NESA rules and procedures for Stage 5, school expectations and subject information, so that students are able to make well-informed choices regarding their pattern of study for the next two years. Students will also be addressed in Year meeting. If parents have specific questions, we encourage them to telephone the school.



CAPA Workshops





Blanket and Beanie Appeal



Throughout the month of May, School Captains Alexander Cuskelly and Caitlin Roach have taken part in an appeal known as the Blanket and Beanie Appeal.

This appeal aims to provide the homeless people around the Parramatta area with warm items of clothing and accessories such as blankets, beanies, sleeping bags, jumpers and jackets.

After a month of raising awareness in assemblies, emails and notices, the school managed to gather half a trailer full of donations which the school community is to be congratulated for.

An extended thank you to David Brown for organising the appeal, as well as Stage 3 North Rocks Public school for contributing to the appeal. Special thankyou to Mal Roach for delivering the donations across to Muirfield.

Student Executive Visit to Parliament House

On the 26th of May, Daisy and I had the opportunity to travel to the city to visit NSW Parliament. For the first half, we were in the downstairs theatre, and had the opportunity to ask questions from various Members of Parliament, or the Legislative Council, such as Penny Sharpe, Lynda Voltz, and Liesl Tesch.

They told us about the value of listening to the youth's voices, striving to make an impact in your community, and being principled in your beliefs. For the rest of our time at Parliament, we were given a tour of the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council where we learnt about the significance of the building, along with the various procedures that occur during sitting days.

- article by Tom Barker

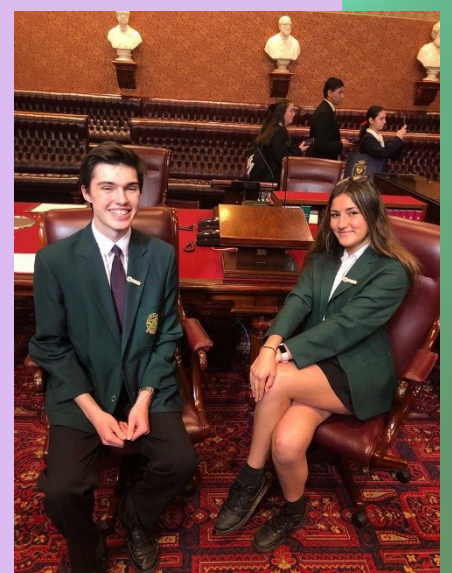


After lunch, we walked down to Government House, located in the Sydney Botanical Gardens. There we were given a tour of the 18th century house and home to the Governor, her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley.

At the house, we enjoyed speaking to other student leaders from high schools across NSW, and had the pleasure of meeting the governor herself and had the opportunity to ask her questions about her work and role as a leader.

We were served afternoon tea in the beautiful courtyard garden of Government House, overlooking Sydney Harbour. Tom and I were also able to speak to and take photos with other Honourable leaders such as Colonel Michael Miller, Secretary to the Governor.

- article by Daisy Buttress



Term 2 Sports News

Term Two has been incredibly busy for sport with many school, Zone and Sydney West carnivals.



We have had some incredible results over all of these (with results still coming in). We had an incredible 5 Muirfield relay teams making it to Sydney West Athletics and many individuals who will be moving onto the next level in several events.

At Sydney West Cross Country Muirfield had 28 competitors representing the school with Victoria Andis, Cody Burton, Chloe Krklinski, Rachel French and Caitlin Roach finishing in the top 10 for their

age groups and qualifying for State.

Special mention to Cody Burton who came 1st in the 14 Boys age group. We wish our students luck as they continue to compete across the year and look forward to hearing about their sporting successes.



Does your child participate in a CAPA activity at Muirfield?

Would you like to support their creative expression and wellbeing?

The CAPA committee has 2 more meetings this year. Our next meeting is on 19 August at 7pm and our final meeting of the year will be held on 18 November.

We would really appreciate your help so these students can reach their full potential.

Without the support of the CAPA committee the CAPA faculty would not be able to provide all the opportunities for students to participate in our amazing events and programs.

Please consider joining the mailing list by e-mailing your interest, your child's name and details of any specific skills or expertise you are willing to share to Ms Wong, Relieving Head Teacher CAPA/Languages at:
joanne.wong10@det.nsw.edu.au



P&C & Uniform Shop News

P&C News

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

Please join us for our virtual meetings on the second Wednesday of each month. The Zoom link will be emailed to you.

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.

You can also 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 mhs.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

TRADING HOURS

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

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



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 2 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

WHY NOT USE OUR ONLINE ORDERING VIA

Please make cheques payable to Muirfield High School Uniform Shop



SEE OVER

<u>Uniform shop hours :</u>	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)		

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Term TWO 2021

	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
June	9	Queen's Birthday 14	Year 8 & 10 Parent Teacher Night 15	Year 10 Sampler Selection Individual Interviews 16 17 18		
June	10	Year 10 Sampler Selection Individual Interviews 21 22 23			Western Sydney Careers Expo 24	Last Day Term 2 2021 25

Term THREE 2021

	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
July	1	Staff Development Day 12	First Day Term 3 (All students Return) 13	Year 7 & 9 Parent Teacher Night 14 15 16		
July	2	Year 10 Subject Selection Info Evening 7pm in Hall 19	Year 12 HSC Buffer Week 20 21 22 23			
July/August	3	Year 10 Subject Selections OPEN Online at 2:30pm 26	Year 12 HSC Trial Assessments Year 10 Subject Samplers 27 28			Year 10 Subject Selections CLOSE Online at 2:30pm 30
August	4	Year 10 Subject Selections SIGNED FORM Due to Office 2	Year 12 HSC Trial Assessments 4			Year 10 Subject Selections Interviews - No Year 10 Classes 5 6
August	5	Year 7 Science Incursion 9 10 11			Year 7 Science Incursion 12 13	
August	6	Science Week (begins Saturday 14 August, ends Sunday 22 August) 16 17 18 19 20				
August	7	Year 10 Vaccinations 23	Year 8 Science Incursion 24	25 26 27		
August/September	8	Year 11 Preliminary HSC Buffer Week 30 31 1 2 3				
September	9	Year 11 Preliminary Exams 6 7 8 9 10				
September	10	Year 11 Preliminary Exams 13 14			Year 12 Graduation & Formal 15 16	Last Day Term 3 2021 17



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

2021

School Holidays & Terms

- School Holidays
- Public Holidays
- School Development Days

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY COME AND TRY ROWING SESSION



What: 90 minute
Come Try Session

Where: Nepean River

When: 4 Session
times available

Cost: FREE

Who: 12-18 years old

Book Today

<https://www.trybooking.com/BSFHE>

Email: rowing@nepeanrowingclub.com.au



Sydney North Region Scouts and Guides present

"The important bit"
When booking, please
credit cast member 'DYLAN'
Thanks!

HORNBSBY GANG SHOW

Wanderstruck

25 June - 3 July
2021

Scouts and Guides on stage in a
musical variety show!

Friday - 25 June 2021 - 7.30pm
Saturday - 26 June 2021 - 2.00pm & 7.30pm
Sunday - 27 June 2021 - 3.00pm
Wednesday - 30 June 2021 - 7.30pm
Friday - 2 July 2021 - 7.30pm
Saturday - 3 July 2021 - 2.00pm & 7.30pm

Pioneer Theatre -
14 Pennant St, Castle Hill NSW 2154

Tickets at
<https://www.gangshow.com>

* Adults - \$27.00
* Concession/Children - \$22.00
(plus booking and processing fee)

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HAVE A GO

Sydney Olympic Park would like to notify you of a new program launching **Wednesday 30 June** to celebrate **the 2021 Olympic Games**

HAVE A GO – is an Olympic themed multi sports program for children of all abilities aged between 5 to 12 years. It is a one off action packed day whereby children can 'have a go' at a range of Olympic Sports including Badminton, Table Tennis, Volleyball, Archery, Gymnastics, Hockey and Athletics. They also take part in an Olympic Legacy Tour around the park

For more information or to make a booking, please visit <https://www.sydneyolympicpark.com.au/Things-to-Do/school-holiday-activities/have-a-go-multi-sports-camp>



Seek Adventure

430 hectares of open
space, recreational areas



Naidoc Community Connections Workshops for Kids and Families



Wednesday 7 July



Flag Raising Ceremony

followed by Workshops including:

- Buttercream Frosting
- Mad Science - Pulsing Electronics
- Puppet Making & Storytelling
- Bricks4Kidz
- Drumming
- Creative Crafts
- Canvas Painting

\$6 each
child per
workshop

WORKSHOP BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL.
TICKETS ONLY AVAILABLE ONLINE
Visit: www.hca.org.au for more information
and to purchase tickets. Enquiries: 96398620

Food and Drink available to purchase

Location: Turner Buildings 4 and 5,
Balcombe Heights Estate
92 Seven Hills Road Baulkham Hills



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OUR EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT HAS MOVED

The Children's Hospital at Westmead's Emergency Department has moved to the Westmead Health Precinct's newest building.

When travelling down Hawkesbury Road, turn left when you see the Children's Emergency sign. It is also just a 250m walk up Hawkesbury Road from our main entry. You can also access the Emergency Department from inside the Hospital.

Parking is available underneath the building, as well as a 15 minute drop-off and pick-up zone, located outside the front doors.



Walking route from our current Hospital to the new building.



Westmead Health Precinct