

St Euphemia High School Newsletter

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Mission Statement

“ That within a dynamic Orthodox, Christian framework, a student may strive to achieve academic excellence, a love of learning, social responsibility, spiritual growth and respect for a healthy mind and body. ”

Strive for Excellence.

This year, Sydney's Greek Australian community will celebrate Greek Independence Day on Sunday, 3 April, with a wreath-laying ceremony at the ANZAC War Memorial at Martin Place. This will be followed by a procession to the Opera House, including the Greek Orthodox Colleges and the Greek Afternoon Schools. In the presence of His Eminence Archbishop Stylianos and other leaders of the community, the celebration will culminate in a special program of traditional Greek dancing and speeches.



Greek Independence Day and Annunciation of Theotokos

ENROLLING NOW for 2016

(All year levels)

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Church Attendance

Years 7 & 8: Sunday, 13 March at 9.00am

Year 7 Parent/ Teacher Night

Parents and caregivers of Year 7 students are invited to attend the Parent/Teacher Evening interviews that will be held on Thursday, 3 March 2016 between 3.30 and 6.30 pm.

This is an excellent opportunity for parents and caregivers of Year 7 to meet their children's teachers and discuss their progress.

Students will receive a booking sheet and are required to book appointments with their teachers.

Absences & Early Leavers

When students are absent from school, parents should ring the school or send an email to ehantes@steuphemia.nsw.edu.au

Upon their return to school, students must submit a note signed by the parent/caregiver explaining their absence.

When students are late to school they should also bring a note with an explanation of the reason.

Also, students are not allowed to sign themselves out early. They can only be signed out by a parent/caregiver.

SWISSA Swimming Carnival

All first, second and third finalists from the St. Euphemia College swimming carnival will participate in the regional SWISSA Carnival to be held on Friday, 4 March.

We wish all competitors good luck!

Year 12 Half Yearly Examinations

On Monday, 7 March 2016, Year 12 students will begin their Half Yearly Examinations. We wish all students good luck.

25 March

There will be no school on Friday, 25 March as we celebrate the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary and Greek Independence Day

Illegal Parking

The school has been informed that there are parents who are stopping at 'No Parking' zones as well as the middle of the road to pick up their children. This is a serious safety concern for all students of the College.

This matter was raised with the Principal by a parking officer who was in attendance at the School.

Parents are reminded to follow road rules when picking up their children.

INDEPENDENCE DAY MARCH

St. Euphemia College welcomes all parents, caregivers and friends to join in the Greek National Independence Day Celebrations on Sunday, 3 April. It is expected that Years 1 to 12 students will attend the celebrations, wearing their summer uniform, including their hat and blazer. No jumpers are to be worn. The uniform shop will be open every Tuesday and Thursday between 2 00pm – 4 00pm.

Students who have paid to go on the buses provided by the School need to be at school by 11 45am. All students are to remain with the school till the end of the celebrations, which will conclude at approximately 4 30pm.

The ceremony will begin at Martin Place, followed by a procession along George Street to the Opera House.

Furthermore, this day is of religious significance as we celebrate the Annunciation of the Theotokos. We look forward to seeing all the families of St. Euphemia College at Church on Sunday morning to commemorate this important day.

SCHOLASTIC SUCCESS

At the School assembly on Monday, 15 February, Georgia Georgiou, the Dux of the 2015 Higher School Certificate, was awarded a three thousand dollar scholarship towards her tertiary education. Mr Hirakis, Principal K-12 and Mr Peter Theo OAM, Chairman of the Board of Governors, presented the scholarship to Georgia in the presence of the students and her proud parents. The School community congratulates Georgia and wishes her all the best in her tertiary studies.



YEAR 7 PEER SUPPORT CAMP

On Monday 1 February, Year 7 attended the Peer Support Camp as part of the College's Pastoral Care program. The students were guided by year 11 students in various activities that would assist them in high school. They also participated in canoeing, Giant Swing and abseiling.





SWIMMING CARNIVAL

On Thursday, 25 February 2016, the High School participated in St Euphemia College's annual Swimming Carnival, hosted at Birrong Leisure Centre. Despite extreme weather conditions and scorching temperatures, this year's event turned out to be one of the best ever, with some outstanding results. The following students achieved champion status for their respective age groups:

12 Year Boys - Harrison Tzortzis
12 Year Girls - Agatha Koutsiofi
13 Year Boys - Aari Bouboulos
13 Year Girls - Mia Domine
14 Year Boys - Aleksandar Uzelac
14 Year Girls - Jenny Bitas
15 Year Boys - Anthony Flevaras
15 Year Girls - Elisa Georgiou
16 Year Boys - Constandinos Melas
16 Year Girls - Marie Louskos
Opens Boys - Panagiotis Boukouvalas
Opens Girls - Jenny Mangos

It ended up becoming a very close encounter. Apollo finished champions on 299 points, only 5 points ahead of Athena on 294. Aphrodite finished in 3rd place on 199 points with Zeus in 4th position on 121 points. All teams performed exceptionally well. Congratulations to Apollo, its House Captains and all the participants.

I'd like to take this opportunity thank the teachers and students who assisted on the day. The student time keepers and runners were outstanding and their tireless efforts in the extreme heat helped to ensure the day ran without any issues.

I would also like to wish all students participating in the SWISSA Swimming Carnival on 4 March 2016 all the very best. These are the students who finished either 1st or 2nd in their respective events. In the SWISSA carnival, our students will take on the very best swimmers from across the SWISSA region in an attempt to qualify for the SWISSA team to compete at the AICES Swimming Championships later this term.

Mr Verghios
Sports Coordinator





ST EUPHEMIA COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL

PARENTS & FRIENDS

ELECTIONS 2016

The Parents and Friends Committee (P&F), is comprised of a hardworking and dedicated group of volunteers who enhance the quality of school life for all students. It also provides an avenue for parents/caregivers and friends to actively participate in the School.

The committee welcomes new members and values their participation. Parents/caregivers who wish to stand for election to the P&F Committee may complete the following information and submit it to Mr Hirakis by 18 March 2016. The date of the elections will be posted at a later date.

Name of Nominee: _____

Telephone: (02) _____

Mobile Phone: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

ΝΕΑ ΤΟΥ ΓΥΜΝΑΣΙΟΥ

Η Επέτειος της Εθνικής μας Ανεξαρτησίας και ο Ευαγγελισμός της Θεοτόκου

Η Ελληνοαυστραλιανή κοινότητα θα γιορτάσει την επέτειο της Ανεξαρτησίας την Κυριακή 3 Απριλίου με κατάθεση στεφάνων στο ANZAC War Memorial στο Martin Place. Θα ακολουθήσει παρέλαση προς το Opera House από τα Ελληνορθόδοξα Κολλέγια και τα απογευματινά σχολεία. Η γιορτή θα γίνει παρουσία του Σεβασμιωτάτου Αρχιεπίσκοπου κ.κ. Στυλιανού και άλλων επισήμων και θα συμπεριλαμβάνει παραδοσιακούς χορούς και ομιλίες.

Εκκλησιασμός

Η υποχρεωτική ημέρα εκκλησιασμού είναι ως εξής:
Α΄- Β΄ Γυμνασίου, Κυριακή 13 Μαρτίου και ώρα 9.00π.μ.

Κολυμβητικοί Αγώνες (SWISSA)

Οι μαθητές που έλαβαν 1^η, 2^η και 3^η θέση στους σχολικούς αγώνες κολύμβησης, θα πάρουν μέρος στους κολυμβητικούς Αγώνες SWISSA που θα διεξαχθούν την Παρασκευή, 4 Μαρτίου 2016. Ευχόμαστε σε όλους τους συμμετέχοντες καλή επιτυχία!

Εξετάσεις Γ΄ Λυκείου

Τη Δευτέρα 7 Μαρτίου 2016, οι μαθητές της Γ΄ Λυκείου θα καθίσουν για τις εξετάσεις του Α΄ εξαμήνου. Οι μαθητές θα έπρεπε να έχουν ήδη αρχίσει να προετοιμάζονται γι' αυτές τις εξετάσεις. Ευχόμαστε σε όλους τους μαθητές μας Καλή Επιτυχία!

Μέρες Αργίας

Λόγω της Εθνικής μας Επετείου και του Ευαγγελισμού της Θεοτόκου, το σχολείο δεν θα λειτουργήσει την Παρασκευή, 25 Μαρτίου.

Απουσίες και μαθητές που αποχωρούν νωρίς

Όταν θα απουσιάσουν μαθητές μας από το σχολείο, οι γονείς είναι υποχρεωμένοι να τηλεφωνήσουν στο σχολείο ή να στείλουν ηλεκτρονικό μήνυμα (email) στην διεύθυνση ehantes@steuphemia.nsw.edu.au

Μόλις επιστρέψουν στο σχολείο, οι μαθητές πρέπει να φέρνουν δικαιολογητικό υπογραμμένο από τους γονείς/κηδεμόνες.

Όσοι μαθητές φτάνουν στο σχολείο αργοπορημένοι πρέπει επίσης να φέρνουν δικαιολογητικό, που θα εξηγεί τους λόγους.

Επίσης, οι μαθητές δεν έχουν από μόνοι τους το δικαίωμα να φεύγουν νωρίς από το σχολείο. Για να φύγουν νωρίς πρέπει να έχουν γραπτή έγκριση των γονέων/κηδεμόνων.

Επέτειος 25^{ης} Μαρτίου

Το Κολλέγιο της Αγίας Ευφημίας προσκαλεί όλους τους γονείς/κηδεμόνες και φίλους στον εορτασμό της Εθνικής μας Παλιγγενεσίας, την Κυριακή 3 Απριλίου. Όλοι οι μαθητές Α΄ Δημοτικού – Γ΄ Λυκείου του Κολλεγίου υποχρεούνται να παρευρεθούν, φορώντας την καλοκαιρινή στολή με το σακάκι και το καπέλο. Τα πουλόβερ δεν επιτρέπονται. Το κατάστημα που πουλάει σχολικά είδη (uniform shop) θα είναι ανοιχτό κάθε Τρίτη και Πέμπτη από τις 2.00μ.μ. -4.00μ.μ.

Οι μαθητές που έχουν πληρώσει για να πάνε στο Martin Place με λεωφορείο πρέπει να βρίσκονται στο σχολείο το αργότερο μέχρι τις 11.45π.μ. Όλοι οι μαθητές πρέπει να παραμείνουν στην εκδήλωση μέχρι το τέλος της γιορτής, που αναμένεται να τελειώσει κατά τις 4.30μ.μ

Οι εκδηλώσεις θα αρχίσουν στο Martin Place και θα συνεχιστούν με παρέλαση προς το Opera House. Επίσης, αυτή την ημέρα εορτάζουμε τον Ευαγγελισμό της Θεοτόκου. Αδημονούμε να δούμε όλες τις οικογένειες του Κολλεγίου της Αγίας Ευφημίας την Κυριακή στην εκκλησία για να εορτάσουμε αυτή τη σημαντική γιορτή.

Οι μαθητές που αδυνατούν να παρευρεθούν στην παρέλαση πρέπει να έχουν την συγκατάθεση του διευθυντή, του κυρίου Χειράκη.

Χ. Χειράκης
Διευθυντής