

Week 3 | Term 3 | 2020

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NEWSLETTER

From the Principals Desk



I am very excited to welcome students back to a new term and to a new flexible learning environment in all our English classrooms. There is strong research that stresses an important connection between **classroom** designs and **learning** outcomes. The classrooms have been designed to facilitate collaboration, choice and give students' a sense of ownership of their **classrooms**. Deputy Principal Renee Carniato is also leading professional learning with teachers in the effective use of flexible and innovative learning spaces. Photos will be published in our next edition of Parklife. Our Site Manager Rob Vaccari has done a wonderful job in coordinating the new Outdoor Cover project in the main quad. This new cover has an extended footprint offering greater protection for our students from the weather all year round (see p.10).

I would also like to congratulate HT Professional Practice Angela Waesch for her extraordinary work in leading Project Based Learning, STEAM and Creative Leadership in Learning – Gold Standard project with students and teachers during this crazy COVID-19 period. These initiatives have especially helped to lift positivity and wellbeing for our students and school community alike.

Due to the increasing COVID-19 clusters in our local community I strongly encourage you to be vigilant and to regularly check [NSW Government - COVID-19](#) for the latest advice and important information including what you can and can't do. It is essential that we follow the guidelines and work together to prevent a second wave.

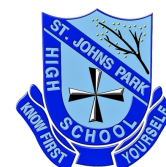
- **Do not** send your child to school if they are sick
- **Immediately** get tested if you have flu-like symptoms
- You must **self-isolate** if you test positive or if someone in the family tests positive and you must **report** this to the school via a telephone call – do not come to school
- All parents/carers and visitors are required to sign an **Acknowledgement Form**
- Reminder parents/carers should **avoid** coming onto school grounds and to **maintain physical distancing** when at the Office, in a meeting and/or waiting to collect children. All non-essential matters and meetings should be over the phone or via technology.

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Important Dates

- Monday 3 August - Education Week
- Monday 10 August - HSC Trial Exams commence
- Friday 21 August - HSC Trial Exams conclude
- Monday 31 August - SRC/HOUSE/PR Captains election



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Education Week 2020

Education Week will run from Monday 3 August to Friday 7 August and the theme this year is *Learning Together*. This reflects an incredible year for our students, staff and parents, and the partnerships that have been strengthened in response. St Johns Park high Schools commitment to high expectations and our focus on continuous change and resilience shows through every teacher and student that is improving each year. Students are at the heart of all the decisions we make at our school so we ensure that each child is given the right conditions to succeed.

Year 12 HSC Trial Exams

With HSC Trial exams starting Monday 10 August, students should now be organising notes, revising information and practising past examination papers to make sure they understand the concepts and texts learnt over the past year.

It is normal to experience some anxiety or stress during the exam period. In fact, being stressed can help you stay motivated, alert and focused. Getting organised, staying healthy by continuing to exercise and eat well and keeping to a routine are all important for you to help lower your stress during this time. The national study guild published by the Sydney Morning Herald might be a great starting point and has many useful strategies and tips to help you achieve success. You can find it by clicking [here](#).



A copy of the HSC Trial Examination timetable is attached in this newsletter.

We wish Year 12 all the best for the upcoming exam period!

Reminder about our school driveway

We remind parents that the school driveway gets extremely busy in the mornings. Please refrain from driving in the gates to drop your child off. This creates much congestion. We encourage you to drop your child near Hornet St Park or safely on Cheyenne road so they can cross at the pedestrian crossing.

Finally, we warmly welcome Ms Sullivan back to the team after maternity leave.



Mr Steven Moisisdis



Mr Steven Daoud



Ms Nicole Sullivan



Ms Renee Carniato



Our Plan

The relevant government and health authorities continue to provide assurances that it is safe for students to attend school and that strict social distancing is not required for students. All students should attend school unless they are unwell. If any students show any signs of being sick, we ask that the student be kept at home until they are well again.

Minimising the risk of COVID @ SJPHS

- **Enhanced cleaning** - Additional cleaning of toilets, bubblers and high touch areas
- **Enhanced hygiene practices** - Students will be asked to use hand sanitisers upon entering and leaving each class. Equipment will also be wiped.
- **BYOD** - Students are encouraged to bring their own devices to support teaching and learning.
- **Visitation on site** - Non-essential adults are not permitted on school grounds, excluding parents/carers for essential teacher meetings. Parents/carers will be contacted if their child is feeling unwell.
- **Parent teacher phone interviews** - Information regarding how to book phone interviews went home at the end of last term. All semester 1 reports for Years 7-12 are available on the Student and Parent Portal. For support to access the portal, please contact the school on [9610 8035](tel:96108035).
- **Sport and physical activity** - School sport will return to normal.
- **TAFE** - TAFE teaching and work placements will return to face-to-face
- **School events** - Parents/carers are not permitted to attend school events and assemblies. Upcoming Year 12 activities are being reviewed in line with DOE guidelines and further information will be provided later in the term.

Feeling unwell?

Get tested even if you only have **mild symptoms** like a cough. For advice:

- Call the National COVID Helpline @ **1800 020 080**
- Call you doctor
- Find your nearest COVID clinic

Local COVID testing locations:

- **Fairfield Hospital**.....8am - 6 pm, 7 days
Cnr Polding St & Prairievale Rd, Prairiewood, 2176
- **Liverpool Hospital**.....8am - 6pm, 7 days
Cnr of Elizabeth & Goulburn St, Liverpool, 2170
- **Fairfield GP Respiratory Clinic**.....Book online
9am - 6pm (Mon - Fri) & 9am - 1pm (Sat)
65 Ware St, Fairfield, 2165
- **Liverpool 4Cyte Collection Centre**
8am - 5pm (Mon - Fri) & 11am - 3pm (Sat)
169 Elizabeth St, Liverpool, 2170

We look forward to welcoming our students back for Term 3, especially Year 12 who are in the home stretch of their formal schooling. Please continue to check the school Facebook page and School Stream App for regular updates. Please do not hesitate to contact the school regarding the return to school arrangements.


**Stay home if you
feel unwell**

If you have a fever, cough and difficulty breathing, seek medical attention and call in advance. Follow the directions of your local health authority.







Education Week 2020 - Schedule of events



2020 Education Week “Learning Together”

Term 3 W3 : 3 - 7 August

Date & Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Teacher on Duty	MUTT	MATJ & GLEC	OSJK & COOD	LIEU & NGUJ	PANJ
Break 2	ZAP with teachers	Kahoot for Real	Culture Run	Heads or tails Questionnaire	Alphabet Mania
Location	Main Quad	Cage	Cage	L4	Cage

Gamma - Kahoot for Real

Teams will answer multiple choice brain teaser questions and throw velcro ping pong balls at a board to confirm their answer.

Members per team: 2

Alpha - Culture Run

Teams will have to match pictures of food, celebrities, buildings, animals, etc. to the respective country flag located around the oval.

Members per team: 3

Epsilon - Heads or tails Questionnaire

Teams will take turns to flip a coin to answer questions from different boxes. The team with the most questions answered correctly win.

Members per team: 4

Beta - Alphabet Mania

Points are earned by creating as many words as possible with giant letters. Teams can earn a power card by solving a riddle. The team with the most points wins.

Members per team: 4

Winners' Prize: \$5 school canteen voucher per person



Education Week 2020 - Learning Together

In light of bushfires, floods and COVID-19, the key messages for education week this year are:

Connecting with our community

Connecting with our community is fundamental at St Johns Park High School. We believe our parents and carers are our partners in learning. We feel confident that our school has prepared us well for the challenges that may lay ahead and we know that our families and community will provide us with ongoing support to help us achieve our goals.

Going through change and building our resilience

With everything that is going on in the world we need to embrace change and build resilience. Our teachers have instilled in us the importance of viewing learning as “lifelong”. Our Year 8 students have continued their Creative Leadership in Learning, Gold Standard Project despite the challenges. In partnership with the Sydney Opera House, teaching artists and performers have joined us via Zoom to equip our students with the essential skills, fostering creativity, problem solving and innovative thinking. Our students’ participation in projects has proven to us that collaborating together in a positive learning environment makes us a stronger school community.

Connecting better and learning together

The first few weeks of online learning was quite daunting for us, however we were encouraged by our teachers who prioritised our wellbeing. Our teachers have maintained their high expectations for our work but have also ensured that we are looking after our physical and mental health. We have found ways to connect with our learning while continuing to pursue our interests, skills and passions. Despite the challenges, we have all experienced and adapted to new technology that has provided us an opportunity to enable the power of learning together anywhere, any time.

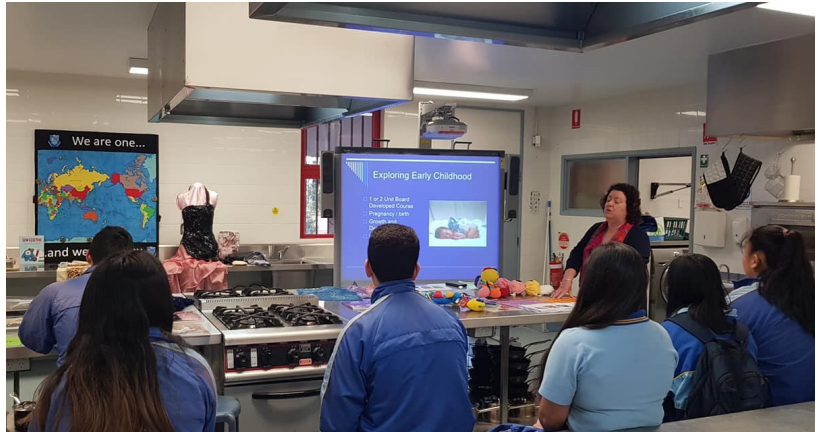
Written by our school captains:

**Jacky Huynh and Abigail Sio
Truong To and Aleme Capric**





Senior Subject Fair



Encouraging our students to pursue their passions





Senior Interview Day



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2020 Mathematics PBL Hook Event

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This year's Math PBL 'Visually Wired' Hook event was delivered by Kaine Devine (Managing Director of Devine Solutions) via Zoom. CO-VID 19 won't stop our Year 8 students from making connections with the real world! We can't wait to see their products, inspired by quality teaching and learning provided by our wonderful Mathematics faculty.



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Special Education - Classroom Feature

Life Skills Science

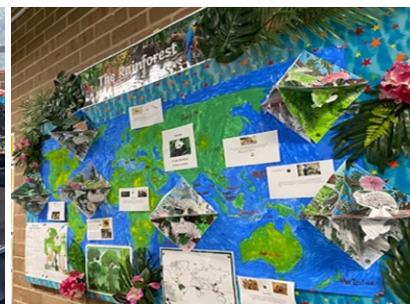
Students in JLS and OLS classes have been exploring the topic of living things. We investigated how plants make their own food and even grew some seedlings of our own!

Students are also learning about different animal groups. They drew different animals and used Photoshop to place them in their preferred habitats. Check out our colourful display!



Life Skills Geography

In Geography, OLS students have been practicing their mapping skills to locate animals and plot specific environments on a world map. We created a rainforest display to demonstrate some of the things we learned about this amazing biome.



A safe and supportive environment for personalised learning

Eat a Rainbow

The students of ALS1 with the assistance of Ms Huzairan and Ms Manduci created recipes using fruits and vegetables that included a 'rainbow' of colours. The rainbow recipes increases the variety of vitamins and minerals in each meal.





Outdoor Cover Project

Check Out our new Main Quad covers and grass area!



Providing new and safe spaces for our students, staff and community

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Allied Health Support at School

St Johns Park High School has been working closely with team members from Allied Health Partnerships for a long time. Their service at our school is valued and aimed at creating a pathway of success for our students! Here is how they are helping us.

In addition to your School Counsellor and School Psychologist, we have a Psychologist available every Friday if students feel like they need to speak to someone. Psychologists work to help people learn about and manage their feelings and behaviours during difficult times. They also work with people who may be diagnosed with specific mental health issues.

Your Allied Health Partnerships Psychologist is Amanda LeRoy and she is able to work with students who might be experiencing anxious thoughts about school or home, HSC preparation and finishing High School. She can also help with difficult thoughts about how you might see yourself, but also how you manage relationships with other people.

If you would like to see the Psychologist, even if it's just for a short time to help with a specific situation, speak to your Deputy or Year Advisor to start the process.

We also partner with a Speech Pathologist, Occupational Therapists and Dietitian to assist our students through Allied Health Partnerships.

Speech Pathologists work with people who are experiencing language difficulties and have difficulties with: Oral and reading comprehension, written and verbal expression, learning new words, learning social skills and how to regulate emotions.

Occupational Therapists enable people to participate in the activities of everyday life. They achieve this by helping people to do things that will enhance their ability to participate in an activity or by modifying the environment to better support their participation. School based Occupational Therapists often work on goals such as fine and gross motor skills, handwriting and emotional regulation.

The Dietitian is able to work with students to provide education about food choices in order to maintain a healthy lifestyle. Learning about how to make healthy food choices can affect how you perform at school, in sports and at work.

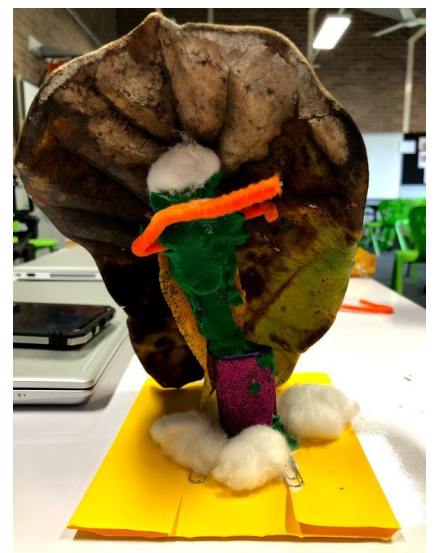
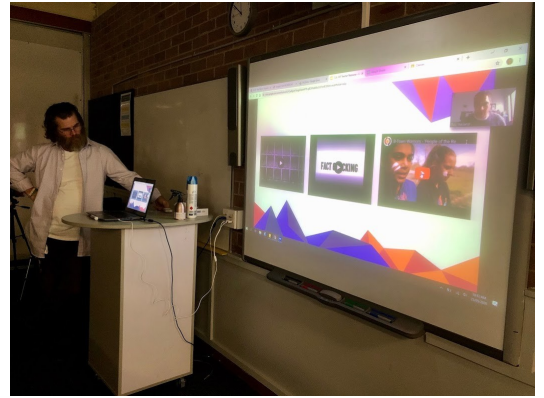
If you would like to use any of these services, speak to your Year Advisor or Deputy Principal and they will be able to organise this for you!



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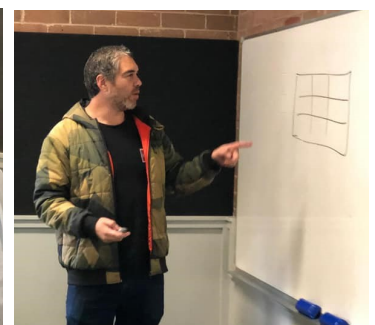
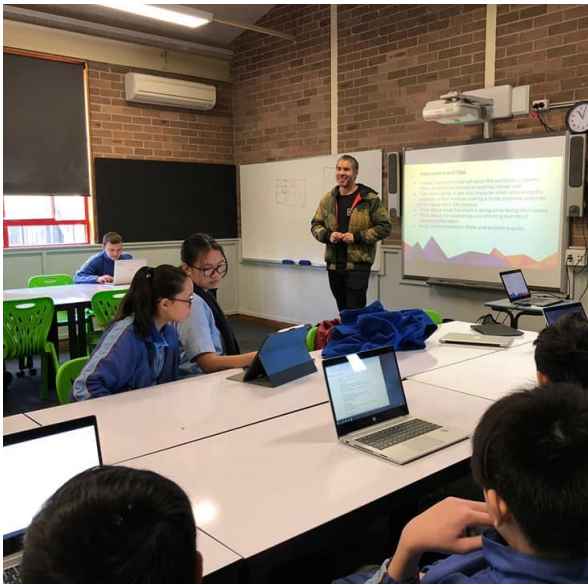
2020 Creative Learning Gold Standard Project



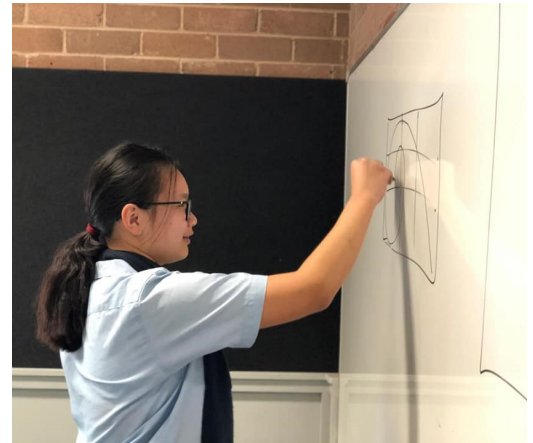
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2020 Creative Learning Gold Standard Project



An optimal learning environment where students can develop their creativity and teamwork skills





HSC Trial Examination Timetable



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Week 4								
DATE	SESSION 1	Start Time	End Time	Room	SESSION 2	Start Time	End Time	Room
MONDAY 10 August	English Advanced Paper 1	8:30	10:00	MPC1	English EAL/D Listening	12:30	13:00	E9
	English EAL/D Paper 1	8:30	10:00	MPC1				
	English Standard Paper 1	8:30	10:00	MPC1				
	English Studies	8:30	11:00	MPC1				
TUESDAY 11 August	English Advanced Paper 2	8:30	10:30	MPC1				
	English EAL/D Paper 2	8:30	9:30	MPC1				
	English Standard Paper 2	8:30	10:30	MPC1				
WEDNESDAY 12 August	11 Mathematics Accelerated	8:30	11:40	MPC1	Industrial Technology - Timber	12:30	14:30	MPC1
	Mathematics Advanced	8:30	11:40	MPC1				
	Mathematics Standard	8:30	11:10	MPC1				
THURSDAY 13 August	Construction VET	8:30	10:30	MPC1	Ancient History	12:30	15:30	MPC1
	Drama Practical	8:30	9:50	E5				
	Investigating Science	8:30	11:30	MPC1				
FRIDAY 14 August	Agricultural Technology	8:30	10:00	MPC1	Drama	12:30	14:00	MPC1
	Personal Development, Health & PE	8:30	11:30	MPC1				

Week 5								
DATE	SESSION 1	Start Time	End Time	Room	SESSION 2	Start Time	End Time	Room
MONDAY 17 August	11 Mathematics Accelerated Extension 1	8:30	10:40	MPC1	Business Studies	12:30	15:30	MPC1
	Community & Family Studies	8:30	11:30	MPC1	Science Extension	12:30	14:30	MPC1
	Mathematics Extension 1	8:30	10:40	MPC1				
TUESDAY 18 August	Biology	8:30	11:30	MPC1	Modern History	12:30	15:30	MPC1
	Italian	8:30	10:30	LG1	Visual Arts	12:30	14:00	MPC1
WEDNESDAY 19 August	Music Aural	8:30	9:30	P4	Hospitality Food & Beverage	12:30	14:30	MPC1
					Physics	12:30	15:30	MPC1
THURSDAY 20 August	Earth and Environmental Science	8:30	11:30	MPC1	Retail Services	12:30	14:30	MPC1
	Engineering Studies	8:30	11:30	MPC1				
	Music1a Practical	8:30	14:30	MU1				
FRIDAY 21 August	Chemistry	8:30	11:30	MPC1				
	Italian Practical	8:30	14:30	MPC1				
	Music1b Practical	8:30	14:30	MU2				



Uniform is available for purchase

Girl's Uniform Update

The girl's navy pants are in stock and available for purchase!
We encourage all parents and carers to send students to school in full school uniform everyday.
New Uniform Shop times have been introduced temporarily to support the demand.
Please download our School Stream App and follow our school Facebook page for updates.



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GIRL'S NAVY PANTS ARE IN STOCK!

Uniform Shop is OPEN
from 8am - 10:30am
Open 5 days a week until end of term

Stock available:
Jackets sizes XS to XL
NEW Girls navy pants
Jumpers in ALL sizes
Sports uniform in ALL sizes

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Open 5 days a week until end of term

Stock available:

- Jackets sizes XS to XL
- **NEW** Girls navy pants
- Jumpers in ALL sizes
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We wish our Year 12 students all the very best as they begin their HSC Trial examinations
Weeks 4 & 5

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