



PARENT BULLETIN

AUGUST 2022

Upcoming Events

August 29 th	RUOK Day
August 30 th	WSU Theatre in Education Incursion
	P&C Meeting 7pm
September 2 nd	World's Greatest Shave & Mufti Day
September 7-9 th	CHS Athletics
September 15 th	CAPA Photo Day
September 22 nd	Year 12 Graduation
September 23 rd	Year 12 Picnic Day

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PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Elderslie High School has been a flurry of activity this term with so many activities on for our students. One of our highest profile events of any calendar year is the school musical and this year promised to be lots of fun with Mamma Mia being on show. Everyone in our school community would know how well known EHS is for its school musicals and this one was to be our seventeenth show! Our amazing students from the Creative and Performing Arts faculty were ready to go when sickness started to take a heavy toll. Of the four scheduled performances of Mamma Mia, it was absolutely devastating to have to cancel after the first show. What I would like to highlight for the entire school community though is my immense pride in the students and their amazing teachers who demonstrated the most incredible amount of flexibility and teamwork in the face of great adversity. I watched in awe while students jumped into different roles than the ones they were ready to perform so that the Thursday night show could go on. Those in attendance would agree that the students brought the house down. I would like to publicly congratulate all members of the cast, the orchestra and the crew for their super-human efforts. I would also like to highlight the work of Ms Dennis, Mr Webb, Ms Prigg, Mrs Carusi and Mrs Grimston-Eason and the entire faculty who created this opportunity for our students.

More Student Successes

Every year, NSW Public Schools combine to put on some great Creative and Performing Arts showcase events, known as "In the Spotlight". At these events, students from across the state are selected to perform in Dance and Drama with a special evening or in some cases, a series of evening shows. This year, our Year 10 Drama students were selected to perform at the Drama festival. Whilst sickness prevented the item from finally being staged, the students worked hard to impress the NSW Arts Unit to be selected. Congratulations are most definitely in order also for Claire Stanley of Year 10 who was selected to compere the event. Claire is a polished and highly skilled public speaker and her efforts at In the Spotlight were impressive.

I was also delighted to hear of the success beyond the school gates of our very own Ellie Hart of Year 10. Ellie recently attended an All-Schools Netball event and was selected for the Under 16 Australian Team. Ellie is a talented goal shooter and an accolade like this doesn't happen without many hours of training and perseverance. What an amazing achievement! Move over Diamonds, Ellie is one to watch! Another strong sporting achievement came from Brayden Sutherland of Year 10 who has just returned from Hobart where he and his Under 16

All Schools Hockey teammates won gold! Looks like we're going to need to make more room for the latest EHS sporting superstars on our sporting Alumni mural in the hall. Congratulations to both Ellie and Brayden.

Leadership Roles 2023

This week I have been working with Ms Farrar to finalise the process of selecting the incoming Captaincy Team for 2023. Many parents would be aware that our 2 School Captains and 6 Vice Captains are selected from the students in Year 11 who have already served as Prefects in the previous year. In 2022, we were spoilt for choice with an amazing and dedicated group of Year 11 students who have served their school very well. Many of these 2022 Prefects nominated for the Captaincy Team in 2023 and showed their willingness to give back to the school community while fully cognisant of the commitment it takes alongside the demands of the HSC. At the time of writing, the school has already run the election, in which all Year 11 students are able to vote along with the staff and the members of the Captaincy Team in the year above who have guided and mentored the Year 11 Prefects and know very well how each one has worked on their various projects throughout the year. The students who have made it to the next level are about to participate in interviews with a panel of four staff including myself. I look forward to announcing the outcome to the school community very soon!

After the process of determining the Captaincy Team is finalised, we will move forward to appoint the incoming Prefects of 2023. Year 10 students who are interested should watch this space for details of how to apply and may ask Ms Farrar for details.

Scholarships

We are almost finished finalising the Stage 4 Scholarships for 2023. These scholarships are awarded to a student who is coming to EHS in Year 7 next year and last for the two years that they are in Stage 4. We have just opened the scholarship applications for Stages 5 and 6 and invite applications from students in this year's Year 8 and 10. Scholarship applications can be found on our website and close at the end of Week 1, Term 4. Elderslie High School awards scholarships in areas including academic, CAPA, leadership, sporting and citizenship.

Parent & Citizens Meetings

Our next P&C meeting for the year will be on Tuesday, August 30 at 7pm in the library. This meeting will feature a presentation from our Head Teacher Technological & Applied Studies, Ms Rickelle Jolley.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jenny Lawrence
Principal

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPALS

Natalie Martin (DP Years 8 & 11)

Year 8

Every week I spend time collaborating with teachers when they are teaching Year 8 classes. This has given me a great opportunity to observe students engaged in learning across a variety of subjects. When students are engaged in learning they increase their focus and attention and experience improved achievement and critical thinking skills.

As a school we support and encourage teachers to get to know their students and their learning needs so that lessons can be differentiated to enable students to achieve the learning outcomes. We also encourage teachers to create lessons that are interesting and broken into smaller chunks to provide a variety of activities to maximise student interest.

Parents can support their child with their education by stressing the importance attending school every day and bringing the correct equipment, so they are prepared for learning each lesson. Parents can also help with organisational skills by working with their child diarise assessment due dates and homework completion requirements. Additionally, the school subscribes to Mathletics where students can complete Mathematics activities online at home to supplement learning at school.

Year 11

The Record of School Achievement (RoSA) is a cumulative credential for students who leave school before completing their Higher School Certificate.

The RoSA lists all mandatory and additional Stage 5 and, where applicable, Stage 6 courses completed by the student, along with the grade awarded. The RoSA credential also lists any courses commenced but not completed, and the date of leaving school. The NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) issue the formal RoSA credential to students who satisfy the eligibility requirements when they leave school and are nominated as a RoSA school leaver.

Nominated school leavers who are not eligible for the RoSA will receive a Transcript of Study. Students access their ROSA via their NESA Students Online account so it is important to inform the school when students are leaving so that the NESA records can be updated enabling the system to generate a ROSA Certificate. The school does not issue the ROSA or E-Record to students as this can be accessed for up to six months after students leave school.

Early next term I will be meeting with students who have unsatisfactory attendance, have not applied diligence and sustained effort to their learning and have not submitted or completed assessment tasks. At this meeting, the relevant students will be informed that they have been N-Determined which means they are unable to progress to Year 12. To avoid this meeting students are expected to have satisfactory attendance and complete all outstanding course work and assessment tasks.

In Term 4, students will be able to fill in a form to express their interest in dropping a subject and retain 10 Units which is the minimum requirement to qualify for an HSC. Another requirement for the HSC is to pass the HSC Minimum Standards in Literacy and Numeracy. Students will be given multiple opportunities to undertake this online test in term 4 and throughout 2023.

Ms Natalie Martin
Deputy Principal
Years 8 & 11

Joanne Amos (DP Years 9 & 12)

Parent Information

As a parent and carer, it can be difficult to understand how to support your young person when you are concerned about their mental health and wellbeing. Headspace National is hosting a free mental health education session for parents, carers and community members, on ways they can support their young person when they are concerned about their mental health.

Information provided in the sessions will:

- Strengthen your understanding of mental health and the factors that can influence your young person’s mental health
- Strengthen your understanding and skills in how to cope and where to find help
- Build awareness of local, state and national support services available
- Strengthen relationships between local area mental health services, local schools, headspace centres and other community organisations

The webinar is being held on 6th September from 6:30pm to 7:45pm. For information on the Webinar use the link <https://bit.ly/3AcH7g>

Year 12

We are now in the run down to the end of term for Year 12, with many events planned for their last weeks of school. These include:

Friday 9 th September	Biggest Morning Tea Celebration
Monday 19 th September	Dress Up Day Assembly - Flash Mob
Tuesday 20 th September	Morning Tea - Student vs Staff Netball Game on the COLA
Thursday 22 nd September	8:15am - BBQ Breakfast Period 4 - Video Showcase followed by a group photo on the COLA Graduation Ceremony at the Civic Centre
Friday 23 rd September	Picnic Day at Mount Annan Botanical Gardens

Details of each of these events will be explained to students and the information for Graduation and Picnic Day and Formal at Panorama House on 10th November will be emailed to parents shortly.

The very last opportunity for the class of 2022 to come together will be on the 16th December when the HSC and ATAR results have been released. On this day the school will be hosting a morning tea event and all Year 12 students are invited to attend.

Mrs Joanne Amos
Deputy Principal
Years 9 & 12

Administration Hints & Tips:-

Please refer to your child’s Student Diary for the correct procedure for the following. Our school diaries are a great resource for our students with important information, bell times, staff directory etc. By following these procedures, it ensures the smooth running of our school.

If Student is late for School- A note is to be provided by the parent explaining reason. Student to report to Student Office with note to obtain a late slip before class.

If Student is leaving Early- A note to be provided by parent/carer explaining the reason why and time student is to be collected. Student will need to have their note approved by the Deputy Principal or the Sports Co-ordinator on a Wednesday. This needs to be done **BEFORE** Roll Call in the morning. This alleviates the need for parents having to come into school to sign out and collect students. Permission over the phone for your child to leave early will not be accepted. Written permission via email including your child's name and why they are leaving is required. Should you be sending a person other than yourself to collect your child, please note that he/she must be a registered emergency contact.

Sick Bay- If a student is sick, they should advise their teacher and come to the Student Office who will contact their parents should they need to go home.

Payments- Payments can be made online, access from the school website. Please utilise any fees in advance when making payments. Fees in advance can be utilised for any family member attending Elderslie High School.

Student Absences- Advise the school, provide a note and/or medical certificate on return. If student is absent due to Covid 19, please email the school with how long student will be absent.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Mrs Susan Solah
School Administration Manager

Mathematics Faculty

This year we have been ramping up our focus on students completing their homework. For our junior students this means completing their Mathletics tasks each week. The faculty decided that we would reward the students who are doing their best with their homework. In Week 3 I announced to the school that there would be two competitions running. The first was a student challenge where we looked at who did the most work for each year group. On assembly in Week 5, we awarded the following students for their wonderful effort in completing their homework during the previous fortnight: Emma Carrol (Year 7); Lauren Kubisch (Year 8), Ella Safarian (Year 9) and Stephanie-Lee Darrell-Cordingly (Year 10). We also announced that the best class from each year group will also be awarded with a lunch. This will run for the rest of Term 3 and the best classes announced during the Week 10 assembly. Parents, please support our students by encouraging them to complete Mathletics as often as possible. I will reiterate again that homework is important to support student learning so please reinforce this at home. I look forward to seeing all our students engaging in homework in future.

Matthew Sambuco
Head Teacher Mathematics

Careers News

Resources for Students

For tailored guidance and support, check out this link –

<https://www.yourcareer.gov.au/school-leavers-support/school-leavers-information-service-card>

AATIS Save and find Australian Apprenticeships information easily by creating a new My Pathways Hub Account on AAPathways. The My Pathways Hub is great for use with students & job hunters to record their journey exploring different career pathways and is the perfect resource to save job and training descriptions in one place. Visit:

<https://bit.ly/3Qi5Av0>.

CareerHQ Are you looking for a resource that helps prepare your students for conversations around preferences and subject selection? The CareerHQ Compass is here to help. In one lesson this online career tool will engage your students in constructing their own careers shortlist while exploring their interests and skills. Register for your free site at:

<http://careerhq.pages.ontraport.net/introduction>.

Scholarships, Early Entry, Alternative Pathways

Teaching Scholarships closing soon!

Applications for the NSW Department of Education's future teacher scholarship programs will close 11:59pm Friday, 26 August 2022. If you are a HSC student, apply now and you could be supported while you study to become a teacher.

Successful applicants receive a range of benefits and incentives, including whilst studying and a in a NSW public school on successful completion of studies.

Charles Sturt University Charles Sturt Advantage early offer program final 2022 round the final round for the Charles Sturt Advantage is open. Thousands of offers have been received by some very excited Year 12 students already. Students can apply by 4 September 2022 and receive an offer by late September. For more info:

<https://bit.ly/CharlesSturtAdvantage>.

Western Sydney University Western recognises all students' potential and offers a range of alternative entry pathways which consider additional factors besides academic results. Learn more about Music Audition, Industrial Design and Visual Communications Interviews here:

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/application-pathways?cid=em:EGMT-CAA-news-app-pahtways_aug22.

Western Sydney University Western offers \$25 million in scholarships every year through a wide variety of scholarships recognising academic excellence, community involvement and leadership skills. Scholarships are also available for motivated students experiencing disadvantage. Find out more:

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/why-western/scholarships.html?cid=em:EGMT-CAA-news-sshps_aug22.

Western Sydney University Western welcomes serving, exiting and reservist ADF personnel. As part of Western's commitment to equity and diversity, these students are offered bonus points that recognise their service and unique skills, and a range of services to support their experience and academic success

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/student-life/support-for-veterans?cid=em:EGMT-CAA-new-veterans-page_aug22.

The University of Sydney Sydney Scholars Webinar Join us on Wednesday 24th August from 5-6pm to learn about the Sydney Scholars Award. The Sydney Scholars Award allows successful applicants to receive a \$6000 scholarship for the first year of their degree. This webinar will discuss eligibility requirements and how to apply.

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_n-J97prWRQOrmlxgXrpPw.

Traineeships, Cadetships, Apprenticeships - Information & Opportunities

Transport for NSW Transport Technical Services engineering traineeship programs -

<https://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/job/road-design-engineer-in-training-nsw-state-wide-342340>

<https://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/job/traffic-engineering-officer-in-training-macquarie-park-newcastle-342341>

<https://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/job/electrical-design-engineer-in-training-parramatta-macquarie-park-342339> Extended close date till 16 August 2022.

Transport for NSW Transport Technical Services Cadetships are advertised

<https://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/job/construction-materials-tester-in-training-338383>

<https://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au/job/aboriginal-identified-civil-construction-design-trainee-338377>

Application close date is 21 August 2022. Surveyor in Training cadetship advertisements live from 22 August 2022.

Traineeship Opportunities for next year –

https://www.apprenticeshipcareers.com.au/infrastructure-traineeships?utm_source=ac&utm_medium=ce&utm_campaign=aca_infrastructure_2022

Apprenticeship Careers Australia (ACA) has been endorsed by School Infrastructure NSW to field **142 fully paid** traineeships in a state-wide infrastructure development program for 2021 or 2022 Year 12 students.

The ACA Infrastructure Traineeships program is a 2-year development program that combines TAFE studies with practical experience. At the end of the placement period, participants will have attained Certificate IV qualifications in either Project Management Practice, Procurement, and Contracts, or Business, with real opportunities for employment with the NSW government or Tier 1 companies.

No experience is required with no tuition fees for guaranteed qualifications

- Infrastructure placements are field and office-based to observe and experience the end-to-end infrastructure planning and development process
- Early applicants can potentially secure a placement before completing Year 12

Looking forward to our SALT (Supporting and Linking Tradeswomen) day on Tuesday September 6th for females interested in learning more about the various trades and career opportunities.

R Whitfield

Girls KO Softball Team - 3rd in the State

The Girls KO Softball Team travelled to Newcastle to play in the Final 16 KO Competition on Wednesday 10th August - Thursday 11th August. The team consisted of a number of players who had limited softball experience, however, they held their own on the diamond and were led by 3 of our strongest softball players. The team came away with 3 wins and 1 loss. Elderslie High School finished up 3rd in the State

which is an amazing achievement, and I am very proud of all the girls who played.

Well done.

Mrs Castelli



MAMMA
MIA!

Congratulations to the cast, crew and orchestra who worked so hard all year preparing for our school Musical, *Mamma Mia!*. Unfortunately, COVID affected our ability to present the Friday and Saturday evening performances. We were able to present a Thursday evening show, but with some sections removed due to missing cast members. The CAPA students demonstrated resilience and adaptability throughout the whole event. The CAPA Faculty and the CAPA students were so disappointed that we could not present the show after so many hours preparing. We are all doing our best to focus on the journey we had, not the final outcome. Thank you to all of the staff, parents, carers, family, friends and members of the school community who assisted us throughout the year and bought tickets to the show. Your support was greatly appreciated. The CAPA Faculty and CAPA students hope to bring our eighteenth musical to a reality in May 2023!

Creative and Performing Arts Faculty

CAPA Update

Our **CAPA Ensembles** are in full swing for 2022. If you are interested in joining the Ballroom Dance Ensemble, Dance Show Team, Visual Arts Club, Orchestra, Vocal Ensemble, Event Management Team or Year 7 Drama Ensemble, there are still spaces available for interested students. See Ms Dennis in the CAPA Staffroom for a permission note.

Congratulations to **Kaliska Nenadic Year 9 and Savannah Nenadic Year 11** on their selection for Schools Spectacular

2022 as Featured Dancers in the Contemporary, Musical Theatre and Hip Hop Ensembles.

Congratulations to **Caitlin Kubisch Year 11 on her selection for the NSW Drama Ensemble**. This ensemble of students from across the state will work together to create a piece for the State Drama Festival in October at the Seymour Theatre Centre.



Best of luck to the Ballroom Dance Ensemble, Dance Show Team, Year 9 and Year 11 Dance classes as they compete in the **Next Step Dance Challenge** at the Camden Civic Centre on Wednesday 24th August 2022.

Selected Year 8 Visual Arts students are working hard to complete their artworks for submission to the Campbelltown Arts Centre for the **Fisher's Ghost Art Award**. We wish you the best of luck in the competition.

Congratulations to Chloe Bressington and Chloe Pasterfield Year 12, for their excellent work as part of the VET Team who worked on the **In The Spotlight Drama Festival 2022**. Congratulations to Claire Stanley Year 11, for her fabulous hosting of the event for the Monday evening performances.



Elderslie High School's Dance Spectacular will be held on Friday, 9th September 2022 in the School Hall from 7.00 pm. Tickets will be on sale through Trybooking from the start of Week 7. Our Partner Primary Schools will also be performing as part of the evening. This is an event not to miss!

Creative and Performing Arts Faculty

Public Speaking and Debating Update

The Year 9 and 10 Debating Team won their Round 2 Debate against Mount Annan High School. Best of luck in your Round 3 debate against Elizabeth Macarthur High School.



The Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award is an annual event held by The Arts Unit. The competition was held on Friday, 29th July 2022 Online. This year Abbey Reed from Year 10 represented Elderslie High School in the competition. Abbey won her way through to the Regional Final to be held in late August. Best of luck, Abbey!



Congratulations to Claire Stanley from Year 11 on her role **hosting the In The Spotlight Dance Festival** in late June at the Seymour Centre. What a great opportunity for Claire to showcase her excellent public speaking skills.



Ms Dennis
Head Teacher CAPA

Sport Update

Sydney South West Regional Athletics

Congratulations to all the students that competed at the Sydney South West Regional Athletics Carnival.

The following students are to be commended on their first or second result in various events and successfully qualified for the Combined High Schools (CHS) State Athletics Competition at Homebush stadium in September.

12 Girls relay team: Alia Soubra, Aubrey Bautista, Chloe Baloglow-Gay and Olivia D'Amato

12 Girls 100m: Olivia D'Amato

14 Girls 3000m and 1500m: Ella Johnson

15 Girls 800m and 15 girls high jump: Izabel Williams

16 Girls hurdles and high jump: Danelle Van Der Merwe

16 Boys triple jump and javelin: Connor Bell

17 Girls high jump and triple jump: Ashley Vasquez

17 Girls 800m and 1500m: Bianca Chauvin

17 Girls Relay Team: Bianca Chauvin, Jade Van Der Saag, Eliza Gray and Mackenzie Court

Other Sporting News

Iseballa Travena for Softball

Isabella Trevena has been selected to play in the Girls NSW All Schools Softball Team at the Australian All Schools Championships in Perth this September. Well done Isabella, EHS is cheering for you!

Ellie Hart for Netball

Ellie Hart competed in the Australian All Schools U16 Netball Championships as part of the NSW All Schools U16 Team at the end of July and came home with a Bronze Medal. She was also selected to play in the U16 Australian Netball team, due to her efforts in these championship games. This is an incredible result and one of the highest achievements a young netballer can receive. Well done Ellie, we are all very proud of you and are excited to see where your dedication to netball continues to take you.

Brayden Sutherland for Hockey

Brayden competed in the NSW 16s all school's competition for hockey last week and returned with a gold medal! Congratulations Brayden, an incredible result from a very talented athlete. EHS is proud and excited to continue witnessing and supporting your bright future in hockey playing.



Athletics and Cross Country Age Champion School Trophies

These images are from students collecting their age champions trophies from Athletics and Cross Country school carnivals.





New Uniform Shop Hours

Monday 8am-11:30am
Wednesday 2:30pm-5pm
Thursday 1:30pm-4pm



Shop Now

www.daylightsportswear.com/elderslie

- *Contact Head Office to arrange delivery
Mon-Thurs 9am-3pm on 4648 1066
- *\$25 Local Camden Area Delivery Fee made on
Friday mornings
- *Free for orders over \$300

Commencing Monday 29 August 2022

PROPOSED CALENDAR – More detailed Calendar events can be found on our school website

Wk	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
7	29-Aug RUOK Day	30-Aug WSU Theatre in Education Incursion P&C Meeting 7pm School Library	31-Aug	1-Sept	2-Sept World's Greatest Shave & Mufti Day
8	5-Sept	6-Sept	7-Sept CHS Athletics	8-Sept CHS Athletics	9-Sept Year 9 Campus Day CHS Athletics Dance Spectacular Rehearsals & Evening Performance
9	12-Sept	13-Sept	14-Sept	15-Sept CAPA Photo Day	16-Sept
10	19-Sept Flash Mob Assembly & Mufti – Year 12 ONLY Year 7 & 8 CAPA Evening Rehearsals and Evening Performance	20-Sept	21-Sept	22-Sept Year 12 Breakfast Year 12 Graduation Civic Centre	23-Sept Year 12 Picnic Day

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P & C MEETINGS 2022

ALL parents of students and interested members of the Elderslie community are invited to attend these meetings.

Our next meeting for 2022 will be:

**Tuesday 30 August
7pm in the School Library**