

Waverley College Parent Association Meeting

Term 2: Tuesday 9 May 2023

Minutes

Meeting commenced: 6.00pm

1. Acting President: Jade Stapleton

- a) Welcome and thanks.
- b) Minutes of previous meeting on **Tuesday 15 February 2023** accepted as an accurate record of the meeting.

2. Business Arising from the previous meeting: Jade Stapleton

- a) Emma Laurence from marketing is reviewing/auditing the Waverley App to see if any improvements can be made. Survey to be issued to parents shortly. All feedback appreciated.
- b) Election day BBQ a success. Thanks to volunteers.
- c) Junior School mothers days stall successful. Thanks to Daniella Strbac for organising and for the support from Emma Laurence.
- d) Bus timetable/routes was raised last meeting. Boys asked to tap on tap off so data is captured. Schedules cannot be updated without this data.
- e) Clothing pool busy start to the year. Raised \$10,500. Winter clothes are needed. Please drop if you have any un-used clothes. Thanks to Sue Walsh for collecting old uniforms for Fiji.
- f) Exam coming up. Reminder there is study support available. Dates, time and subjects are up on Facebook pages.
- g) Planning a men's health week in Term 3. Inviting speakers on all aspects of men's health. Any parents that know speakers or businesses involved in "wellbeing" please let Jade know.

3. Director of ICT, Innovation and Campus: Simon Potter

Please see attached report.

4. Director Junior School: Gabrielle Bransby

Please see attached report.

5. Director of Mission and Identity: Sue Walsh

Please see attached report.

6. Director of Curriculum: Lynsey Porter

Please see attached report.

7. Acting Principal: Gabby Smith

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Meeting closed: 7.15pm

Next meeting 8 August 2023



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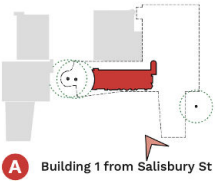
Director of ICT, Innovation and Campus Report: Simon Potter

Thanks for the invite to come along today, I would like to present and update on a number of capital projects and improvements we are working on. First up I would like to speak about a topic that I know has been raised by both students and parents in the past.

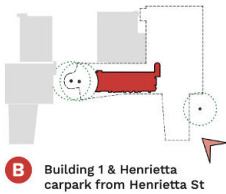
- Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning - classrooms
 - Data gathering (identifying the most challenging spaces, focus on these). We want to be data informed.
 - Current research and levels of 'acceptable' temperature. Benchmarks
 - NSW State schools - HVAC program (30 degrees +)
 - Sweet spot 22-24 degrees for learning
 - Sydney averages approx 16 days a year above 30
 - Climate is getting hotter.
 - Challenges of retrofitting (heritage, height restrictions, architecture)
 - Masterplan - rooms to be refurbished
 - Sustainability, increase in power consumption and cost
 - Low level changes (fans, window coverings etc) in the interim.
- Wingara update
 - Brief reminder of Wingara project. Junior School
 - Initial Geotech reports were supportive of the project
 - A second more specialist opinion was sought due to the complex nature of the site, recent weather events and feedback from the civil team.
 - Second Geotech raised some concerns around the space
 - NSW National Parks Risk assessment identified potential risks
 - There are solutions, however they are very expensive and could double the project costs. Soil nails would need to be used to stabilise the landscape, but it would need a significant amount of these.
 - Options are to look at a reduced scope of work and/or stage across a number of years. This is one of a number of options being explored.
- Science Centre (Building 1) update
 - Present renders and site plans.
 - Working with our Indigenous students on the design
 - Currently seeking the approval from EREA to move forward with the project.
 - Timeline - late 2024

Building 1 - Science Centre - Rendered views

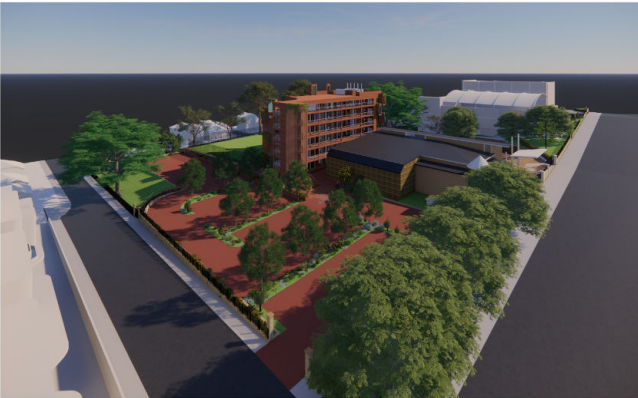
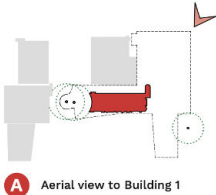
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Henrietta carpark



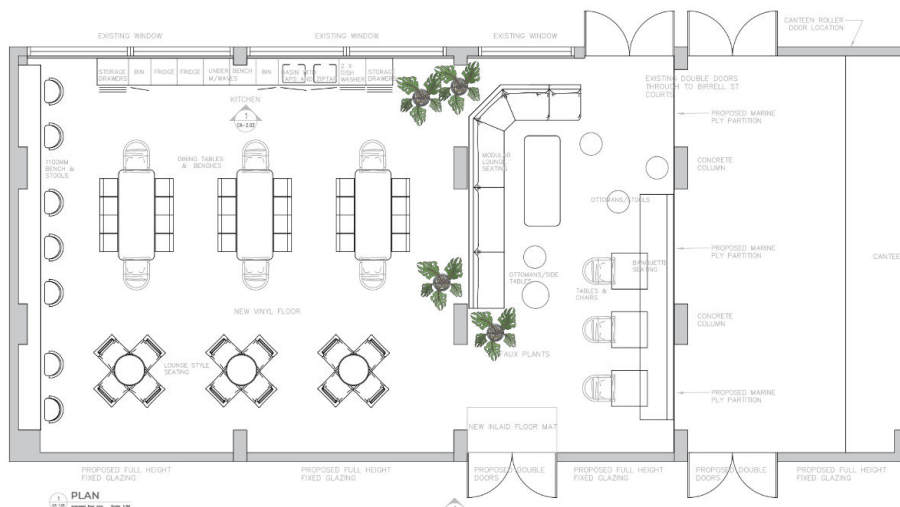
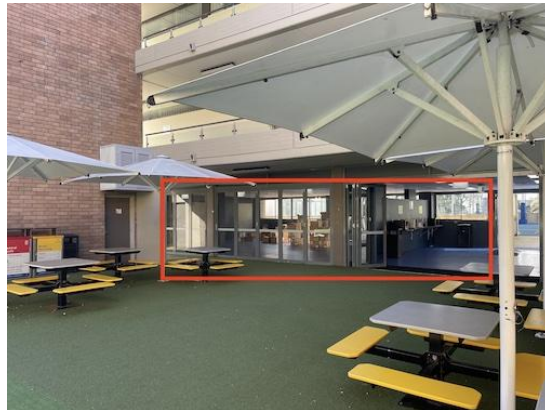
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- Other projects

Y12 space

Final plans are being prepared for a Year 12 Study Lounge space to be created under the Kenny Building. It will provide a range of seating and standing study variations to cater to different preferences for our Year 12s, and provide a conducive and quiet space for study. We are hoping this space can be up and running by the end of Term 2.



- Conversion of Tevlin lockers - General Student space

We are also seeking to move the Tevlin Locker space up into the Centenary Quad and the vacated space repurposed with seating and access to microwaves. We would open up the wall on the Eastern side and glaze to provide sightlines into Kenny for supervision and at the same time increase the amount of covered, communal space for students.

- Expansion of the seating areas in Kenny for lunch. Provide 32 more shaded seats.
- Outdoor exercise equipment across the Senior Campus - working with Co-curricular and PDHPE to identify the locations and types of equipment that would benefit them.

Junior School Report: Gaby Bransby, Director of Junior School

- Starting to look into possible co-education experiences. I will be reaching out the Head of the Junior School St Catherine's - Elizabeth Worsley
 - Mapping diverse experiences across the Stage. Exposing students to a diverse range of different cultural and religious backgrounds, through workshops and speakers.
 - Lunchtime Speakers
 - More structured games are being developed at lunchtime - touch football, soccer and cricket.
 - Investing in outdoor furniture in underused areas for outdoor learning
 - New Syllabus for English and Mathematics will be implemented in 2024. Planning and preparation has begun.
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Director of Mission and Identity: Sue Walsh

- House Masses
We have already held 3 house masses and have another 5 to go. I encourage all parents to attend, in particular if your son is in Year 12 as we present a special candle to them.
Remaining house masses;
10 May - Conlon House Mass & Supper, Chapel, 6pm
11 May - O'Connor House Mass & Supper, Chapel, 6pm
18 May - Tevlin House Mass & Supper, Chapel, 6pm
7 June - Quinn House Mass & Supper, Chapel, 6pm
27 July - Green House Mass & Supper, Chapel, 6pm
- Immersions 2023
Timor Leste - 22 June - 3 July
Red Earth - 22 June - 1 July

EREA Lets talk Indigenous - 22 Sept - 29 Sept
Fiji - 22 Sept - 29 Sept
- May Procession - Friday 26th May

8.30am BBQ with perfects
9.00am House meetings
10.30am - 12pm May Procession - Ned Weiland(Class of 2019) guest speaker

- Co-educational experiences Yrs 10-12 Refugee week. Our Lady of the Way Parish

Director of Curriculum Report: Lynsey Porter

NESA informed projects:

- New syllabus implementation for 2024:
 - English and Maths Years 5-10
 - Languages Years 7-10
 - Technologies: Yrs 11-12 Software Engineering and Enterprise Computing
 - Stage 6 Geography
- From now until 2027, over 100 syllabi will be changing.

Curriculum and Teaching and Learning Projects:

- Working group conducting research into best practice with our Formative Tasks on Canvas to review how the feedback practices can be improved. There is a particular focus on how we can support students to develop skills such as how to study, how to respond to feedback, how to reflect on performance and set goals. We are developing a common marking rubric template
- Harnessing Track One Data to:
 - Track student growth (and apply quantitative data to track student progress: students at risk and students who have made the most gains). Rewarding growth mindset with our most improved awards.
 - Help teachers track the students in their classes in terms of how they are going over time and how their course performance compares to external testing data such as NAPLAN and Allwell.
- Review of 2022 NAPLAN led to a focus on inferential reading in literacy lessons and cross-curricular. Spelling Intervention and Literacy Enrichment continues. Continuing to work with Writer's Toolbox to build capacity with paragraph writing and a variety of sentence types.
- Review of hybrid model for Parent/ Teacher/ Student interviews
- Continued discussion of how to harness GTP. Turnitin now has a detection function and we are currently working on our assessment policies to clarify where this sits with our tasks.

Study Skills

- Year 7 Study Skills - revision mindmaps embedded in Year 7 Geography and Science programs
- Year 8 Elevate Study Skills Week 4 first time run on Junior Time Management - we will review

- Year 11 Elevate Study Skills Week 6 - Memory Mnemonics
- The HSC tutorials continue and a group of Senior students are trialling Student Based Tutoring with students in the junior years.
- Literacy and Numeracy support is on offer: Monday and Tuesday for Literacy and Wednesday and Thursday for Numeracy.
- Year 12 Prue Salter session where they build a revision timetable is now pre-trials (rather than post-trials) to benefit both Trials and final HSC exams. Students regularly report this is one of the best sessions.
- We are embedding study skills in our formative tasks across all key stages

Enriching the curriculum experiences in Term 2

- Year 8 Drama Incursion - shock therapy Week 1
- Y12 SLR Excursion Bondi Beach Life Saving & Surfing Week 2
- Y12 Investigating Science - UNSW Museum of Human Disease Week 2
- Y10 Ethics Olympiad competition selected Year 10 and 11 students Week 2 (came 4th and 6th out of 19 teams (all Sydney Metro Independent Schools and Selective Schools)
- Yr11 Hospitality students - parent dinner (Japanese Menu in the TAS Foyer Week 2
- Year 11 Engineering Studies End-to-End Site visit Week 3
- Y12 Biology - Museum of Human Disease Week 3
- Yr 7 Geography fieldwork excursion - Bantry Bay Week 3
- HSC Careers Expo Week 5
- Music Recital, performance workshops and the Piano Competition Weeks 4 and 7
- Year 9 and 10 Drama students - Clyde's Play in Week 7
- Curation of student artwork in visible areas of the college

Looking to the future - Curriculum Experiences Proposed for 2024 and beyond

- Lady Elliot Island - sailing experience (Marine Studies) currently on this year
- Geography and RE to Nepal/ India - April
- Music to Europe - July

Acting Principal's Report: Gabby Smith

- Thank you for having me this evening, as you may be aware Graham is currently overseas attending the EREA International Congress in Ireland and I'm the Acting Principal until he returns in Week 8. The first few weeks of Term 2 have started well.
- Keep in your prayers past staff member Mr Greg Harris (2IC Junior School) has been battling blood cancer for a number of years and he has been fighting the good fight.
- Wellbeing Survey 2023 - Senior Campus was issued to all students yesterday

- After the Bell, will be hosted by Cranbrook School on Thursday, 15 June 6pm - 8pm
- Marketing
 - Thurs, 11 May - Generations Breakfast for current students with OB relatives, touchpoint to get them back on campus
 - Fri, 12 May - Mother's Day Breakfast for all SS mums and sons, JS siblings welcome to attend
 - Fri, 19 May - AFL Indigenous round at Pioneers Park - versus Cranbrook
 - Sat, 3 June - 10 Year reunion on the roof before the rugby
 - Sat, 29 July - 20 Year Reunion on the roof before the rugby led by Salvatore Riolo(OBU)
 - Yearbook 2022 - At printers
- Foundation
 - Buy a Paver campaign to launch mid-year - \$500 paver - families, year levels, friends - Phase one - 98 pavers
- Enrolments
 - Applications for Year 5 & 7, 2025 closed end March and we will commence interviews at the end of this term