

SEVEN HILLS HIGH SCHOOL

A VOCATIONAL EDUCATION PATHWAYS SCHOOL

News



OCTOBER
2024

CALENDAR EVENTS

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NOVEMBER

Friday 18 Oct: Year 7 Vaccinations
(catch up date Nov 8)

Monday 21 Oct - Friday 1 Nov: Year 9 and 10
Semester 2 Examinations

Friday 25 Oct: Year 10 Vaccinations

Monday 28 Oct - Friday Nov 8: Years 7 and 8
Semester 2 Examinations

Wednesday 6 Nov: P&C Meeting 6:00pm in the school
library

Monday 11 Nov: Seven Hills North PS Smooth Walking

Monday 11 Nov - Thursday 14 Nov: Year 9 Child Studies
preschool visit

Wednesday 13 Nov: Collegiate Formal

Monday 18 Nov - Wednesday 20 Nov: Year 10 camp

Wednesday 20 Nov: Collegiate CAPA showcase

Wednesday 20 Nov: Thursday 21 Nov: Year 7 swim
school

Friday 22 Nov: Year 7 lifesaving excursion

Wednesday 27 Nov: Drama elective excursion

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FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Dear parents/carers, students and members of our school community,

Welcome back to Term 4, I hope all our students and staff had a relaxing break and spent valuable time with family and friends. Term 4 is always a busy time with examinations, assessments and lots of activities.

At the end of last term, we had the honour of farewelling Year 12 Students during two amazing Graduation Ceremonies.

The first ceremony was our inaugural Vocational Innovation Centre (VIC) Graduation. The night acknowledged and celebrated the efforts and talents of 30 students from schools across Western Sydney who all successfully completed their stage 6 courses. This was our first Year 12 cohort to graduate since the opening of the VIC last year. It was a fantastic night that was well supported not only by parents and community members but also our local industry partners and representatives from the NSW Government and the Department of Education.



This was followed by the graduation of the Seven Hills High School Class of 2024. It was a momentous occasion filled with pride, accomplishment, and heartfelt farewells as we marked the transition of our graduating students to the next phase of their lives. The formal graduation ceremony was a beautiful celebration of the hard work, dedication, and achievements of our Year 12 cohort. It was a time to reflect on their growth, academic successes, and the lasting memories they have created at Seven Hills High School. As they move forward, we have no doubt that they will continue to shine brightly in all their future endeavours. Congratulations, Class of 2024. These students are currently sitting their Higher School Certificate (HSC) examinations, we wish you the best of luck throughout your examinations.

Our Year 11 students also completed their final examinations as they prepare to embark on the HSC course this term. I would like to take this opportunity to wish them the best of luck as they begin their HSC studies.

For the next three weeks, Years 7-10 will complete their yearly examinations, and I would also like to wish them luck. Remember your teachers are here to support you, if you are unsure about something, don't hesitate to ask for help.

I will leave all our students currently sitting exams with one little bit of advice, the best preparation you can do for an exam is to ensure you get a good night's sleep prior to an exam.

Friday the 25th October is World Teachers Day, and I would like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all of the teachers here at Seven Hills High School. Their unwavering support and dedication to our students and their learning is second to none. Thank you, together we continue to foster a culture of excellence and growth within our school community.

Finally, due to a clash with the Collegiate Formal we have had to move the November P&C meeting. It will now be on Wednesday November 6th at 6pm in the school library. New members of our community are always welcome.

Warmest regards,
Matthew Saville

Remembering Uncle Wes Marne AM

Sunrise 25 April 1922 ~ Sunset 31 August 2024



Uncle Wes was a unique individual who left an indelible mark on all he met. A distinguished Bigambul Elder and storyteller, Uncle Wes profoundly influenced Blacktown City and its surrounding communities through his deep commitment to First Nations culture. Our school was fortunate to have Uncle Wes grace us with his presence on two occasions in 2024. In February, he led a professional learning morning for all staff, sharing his personal stories. In July, he attended our school's NAIDOC Week assembly and led the Acknowledgement of Country and a smoking ceremony.

Born in 1922, he spent over half a century in Mount Druitt before passing away on August 31, 2024, at the age of 102. Highly regarded as an Elder, advocate, and educator, Uncle Wes was celebrated for his storytelling and efforts to share traditional knowledge across schools, universities, and yarning circles in Australia.

He was personally responsible for bringing the Smoking Ceremony tradition to Sydney.

A key figure in the Mount Druitt and District Reconciliation Group, Uncle Wes was honoured with the Key to Blacktown City in 2022 and appointed a Member of the Order of Australia for his dedicated service. His achievements also included being named an Honorary Fellow at Western Sydney University and receiving the NSW Department of Education's Nanga Mai Love of Learning Award. He played a crucial role in advocating for a pre-school for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and made notable contributions through his book of poems and the acclaimed show "Fire Bucket." Uncle Wes's legacy of service and dedication will be deeply missed and remembered by locals from all walks of life.

Uncle Wes' grandfather, another storyteller, taught him that every star in the sky is a First Nations person sitting around their fire, waiting their turn to be reincarnated.

Vale Uncle Wes. We will be looking for your star in the night sky.

Higher School Certificate



Good luck to our students sitting their HSC exams.

Exam day checklist

- **Get a good rest the night before exams.**
- **Know the rules and consequences of breaking them.**
- **Check your exam timetable and arrive with plenty of time before your exam.**
- **Make sure you have the right equipment for your exams.**

2024 Year 12 graduating students



2024 Vocational Innovation Centre graduation



A Celebration of Student Success!

Last term saw a celebration and recognition of the hard work that has been put in by the inaugural cohort of students studying at the SHHS Vocational Innovation Centre. All students, from both the EVET and SVET subjects, received recognition of their achievements, including certificates and leavers guide, that will help the students in following their chosen path.

The evening provided an opportunity for the wider community, including dignitaries, staff, parents and industry to see the impact that the Vocational High Schools Program has had in the educational journey of all the students attending the Vocational Innovation Centre.

It was fantastic to welcome several special guests to be a part of the evening, highlighting to the students the gravity of the program that they have been a part of.

Uniform pricing update



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	Girls All Seasons Uniform		RRP
91926	SKIRT:	BOTTLE A -LINE SKIRT	\$61.95
91815	SKIRT:	BOTTLE PLEATED SKIRT	\$62.95
56432	BLOUSE:	WHITE SHORT SLEEVE WITH EMBROIDERY	\$46.95
50822	SLACKS:	BOTTLE STRETCH	\$56.95
84575	SLOPPY JOE:	BOTTLE WITH EMBROIDERY	\$49.95
97804	TIE:	BOTTLE TIE	\$25.95
97975	SOCKS:	WHITE ANKLE STYLE	\$6.95
86258	TIGHTS:	BLACK JACHIE TIGHTS	\$9.95
	Boys All Season Uniform		
83517	POLO:	WHITE WITH EMBROIDERY	from \$42.95
95501	SHIRT:	SS WHITE DELUXE SHIRT	from \$41.95
95052	SHORTS:	GREY DELUXE COLLEGE SHORTS	\$51.95
95031	SHORTS:	GREY BLOCKER STYLE SHORTS	from \$30.95
97031	TROUSERS:	GREY COLLEGE LONG BAGGIES	\$65.95
97041	TROUSERS:	GREY BLOCKER STYLE LONG	from \$37.95
97804	TIE:	BOTTLE TIE	\$25.95
84575	SLOPPY JOE:	BOTTLE WITH EMBROIDERY	\$49.95
97906	SOCKS:	GREY ANKLE STYLE	\$6.95
	Sports Uniform		
	POLO:	AVAILABLE AT SCHOOL	
99476	SHORTS:	BLACK MICROFIBRE	from \$30.95
97975	SOCKS:	WHITE ANKLE STYLE	\$6.95

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🌍 ✨ Happy World Teachers' Day! ✨ 🌍

Friday 25th October is World Teacher's Day.

We want to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the incredible teachers who inspire, guide, and support our students every day. Your dedication and passion make a lasting impact on their lives.

We appreciate everything you do! ❤️ ✨

#WorldTeachersDay #ThankYouTeachers



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as little as

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per fortnight

they will miss

4 weeks
of school
per year

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to over

1 year
missed over
their school life



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