

Term 4 Week 4 Communication – Friday 4 November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

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Warami. Welcome to the end of Week 4. The HSC examinations for 2022 are done!!! It's been so nice to see Year 12 looking relieved and feeling that sense of accomplishment. They have done a hard thing and we are proud of them. Today we also celebrated the Year 11 End of Course academic achievements at the RoSE Breakfast. Well done to these students for their outstanding results. We would also like to acknowledge the many students who received recognition for consistent effort. Year 11 students were issued with their reports today – we have encouraged students to apply the valuable feedback as they embrace the challenges of their HSC courses. Reports are also available on the Parent Portal.



Congratulations to Year 11 RoSE students: Lili Baran, Ashley Bignall, Chelsea Borg, Grace Borg, Cohen Boys, Charlotte Brown, Abbie Corscadden, Emma Cox, Abigail Davidson, Holly De Lima Garcia, Texas Down, Ella Duncan Jackson Fitzgerald, Mia Gianatti, Hayley Gilmour-Walsh, Leela Gosling, Eva Greenaway, Connor Gregory, Finlay Hahn, Chloe Harrington, Zak Harrison, Samarah Hume, Max Jackson, Tegan Jones, Hayley Kime, Tyler Laybutt-smith, Zoe Leach, Monique Martirena, Olivia Morrissey, Louie O'Connell, Billie Papasotiriou, Charlie Paxton, Declan Power, Miriam Roediger, Maddie Rummery, Ashleigh Sagovac, Miles Salas, Caelan Schepel, Olivia Sell, Ryan Taylor, Ella Terry, Jordan Traykovski, Chloe Turpin, Jasmine Van Hooft, Padraic Whale, Harriet Wilkinson, Olivia Yarwood.



Each year there are HSC students who access approved provisions of a reader or writer for their examinations, and we rely on our Year 10 students to support this process. We would like to give a massive shout out to Holly Garrett, Ellen Henderson, Belle Lackey and Miriam Brew for going above and beyond. On top of their existing commitments, they spent hours serving as readers and writers for both the Trial and HSC Examinations. With some exams requiring support for 3 hours, this is a massive undertaking. We thank them sincerely for their time, stamina and support.

This term, we are delighted to have two Exchange students join us at Winmalee High School. Due to COVID-19, it has been a while since we have been able to welcome international guests to our school. We would like to give **Remi Sylvestre** from France, and **Emilie Buchmann** a very warm welcome to



our school community. Once they have had a chance to settle in a bit more, we would love to share some of their thoughts and insights about how they are finding school in Australia. To the left is Emilie with some Year 9 peers, and below is Remi with his Year 10 peers.





Congratulations to Year 9 Visual Arts and Visual Design student, **Anya Thomson**, who has won the Youth Art category in the Blue Fringe Arts Awards with her artwork 'Again'. The Blue Fringe Arts Festival, now in its 30th year, promotes the benefits of creativity for mental wellbeing and resilience, Anya's artwork is a pensive and deeply reflective piece. Limited signed prints of Anya's artwork are available for purchase via the Blue Fringe Arts <u>Facebook</u> page.

We are always impressed by the many sporting events our students participate and excel in, both in and out of school. This week we would like to congratulate **Ashlyn Hubble** (Year 9) on her success in



the field of Roller Derby. Ashlyn travelled to Melbourne in early October to play in the 2022 Border Clash competition in Daylesford. Teams from NSW and Victoria played each other at this competition. Ashlyn was selected during the warmup event out of 200 competitors to play for team Victoria. The team played 5 games over 4 days and won them all! If you have ever watched Roller Derby, you would understand it when we say Ashlyn did well not to roll away with an injury. She is pictured left, right in the centre of the scrum. Good luck with the next competition, Ashlyn! We have a long, well established relationship with our **Japanese Sister School, Arima High School**. We have missed our reciprocal visits with our Japanese friends, with our last trip to Japan occurring back in January 2019. Mr Cranby has been working hard to maintain active links between our schools and he is always seeking opportunities for students to connect. This week, students across Years 8-11 joined a Zoom session with Arima High students. It is not an easy thing to move out of your comfort zone and speak in another language to others you do not know – so we are proud of these students for not only having the courage to do this, but for actively keeping the spirit of our sister school relations alive and well.



Thank you to students: Belle Lackey, Sara Griffiths, Jasper Musgrave, Matthew Minard, Ben Addison, Daan Borg, William O'Connell, Ray Godfrey, Genevieve Jelovic, Tayla Posford, Reese Laybutt-Smith, Teagan Hunt, Bryce Grimson, Will Cusack, Tyler Laybutt-Smith, Samantha Friend, Sammi Schroeder, Tessa Allen-Schaff, Tom Iskov, Ellie Mountains and Sophie Mould.

Next week, we look forward to sharing with you some information about our Year 11 class completing the Aviation Drone Remote Pilot course and the other happenings of Week 5.

And, it's only 7 weeks until Christmas 😯

Have a great weekend and see you next week.

Best wishes,

Winmalee High School