From the Principal’s desk...  
6th November 2015

Leadership
Each year, the School is richly blessed with quality student leaders. This leadership occurs in various forms: formal roles such as SRC, Captains, Sports Captains, the JS leadership team; it also occurs every day as students set the example for each other and demonstrate the ‘agape’ (sacrificial) love of which Jesus so often spoke. With this legacy of quality student leadership in mind I am delighted to announce the election of the following High school captains for 2015:

Captains
Mr Isaac Gray      Miss Isabel Brake

Vice Captains
Mr Peter Seckold     Miss Chelsie Unwin

Please pray for our senior leaders and the entire Year 12, 2016, cohort as they set the example for their peers in loving the Lord and their neighbours both here at School and in the community.

Thank you Morning Tea for Volunteers
Volunteering is a lovely part of our School culture and on the 19th November, the School would like to say thanks to all the parents, grandparents and other family members who have contributed to the life of the School by volunteering their time, energy and skills. The School will be hosting a ‘thank you, morning tea and each of our volunteers is warmly invited. Please RSVP to the School Office if you are able to attend.

Partners in Technology
Thanks to all the parents who were able to join us for our fourth and last Partnership gathering for 2015. It was a stimulating evening as James and Simone Boswell shared the challenges of raising children in the digital age. I thank Jade Barr for her work on these programs this year and look forward to the program continuing in 2016.

Facebook and Website
A big thanks to all those who have commented on the new website photos and our School’s Facebook page. The Facebook page has been littered with photos of School activities and thoroughly enjoyed by students and parents. Social media has been a new feature of our School camps this year, as families have been able to see a glimpse of the activities their sons/daughters have been involved in as they occur. The website now contains articles and photos of School events which makes a nice feature for those not able to be at School on a regular basis. We welcome further feedback as the website and Facebook page continue to grow.

In Christian Education
Andrew Middleton
Principal
Uniform Shop News

Please note that uniform orders can be placed directly through the School Office and they will be processed and sent home with your child on the next Uniform Shop day providing payment is made; or left in the School Office for payment and collection. Orders can also be placed by emailing uniformshop@shcs.nsw.edu.au same payment procedures.

Please note NEW Term Hours
Mondays 8:30am to 10:00am
Thursdays & Fridays 2pm to 4pm

Canteen News

Canteen days are Wednesdays and Fridays with lunch orders to be submitted prior to the 9am bell on these days as follows – at the canteen for High School students and with their class teacher for Junior School students. Online Canteen is an effective way to order lunches – see info@ouronlinecanteen.com.au for more information. Volunteers are always welcome and this is a great way to meet new people and also fulfil Parent Service hours. Please leave your name at the School Office if you would like to be involved (all training will be given on the job).

Prep – Year 1 Nativity

Parents, Grandparents, aunts and uncles, please come and join the Prep – Year 1 students on the 2nd December at 5pm for our Nativity Celebration. We will start with some yummy refreshments and then the Presentation will begin at 5.30pm. We have been practicing very hard so we hope you can come along and hear about the real meaning of Christmas.

Thanksgiving Service

On Tuesday the 8th December our whole School Thanksgiving Presentation Service is being held. This is the final, compulsory event for our student body and will be an evening of real celebration as we wrap up the year. Commencing at 5.30pm, all are invited and encouraged to attend. Further details to follow, but please mark this date in your calendars.

Operation Christmas Child

Once again, SHCS has the privilege of being involved in Operation Christmas Child. Suggestions for gifts – Toys such as toy cars, yo-yos, jump ropes, balls. School Supplies like pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books. Non-liquid Hygiene Items eg toothbrushes, bar soap, combs, washcloths. Accessories: T-shirts, socks, hats, sunglasses, hair clips, jewellery, watches. Crafts like making your own items such as hair bows, finger puppets, and friendship bracelets. Age brackets are 2-4, 5-9, 10-14. You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. If you include your name and address, the child may be able to write back.

Do Not Include - used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; out-of-date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans. We hope you can see something in the list above that will inspire you to encourage a child for whom this may be the only gift they receive. Please send items to the School Office before Friday 13th November.

Book Fair Report

A huge THANK YOU to our students, parents and grandparents who helped us to buy over $550 worth of new books for our School Library.

There are many books being read, and notes being written, and activities and puzzles being completed at home by our very fortunate students. And now there will be many more at school as well. Keep an eye out for some new titles coming soon! Your support of our Scholastic Book Fair is greatly appreciated.

Term 4 Volunteers

Wednesday 11th November
Jody White
Friday 13th November
Linda Chalker
Wednesday 18th November
Jody White
Friday 20th November
Jackie Whiting-Beasley
Maths Olympiad

Congratulations to all 40 of the students in Years 5-8 who participated in the Australasian Maths Olympiad in 2015. These students achieved some great results this year. Eight of our students achieved scores in the top 20% of all students across Australasia who participated. Our School Champions for this year are Benjamin Gellert, in the Junior Division with Kenrick Chung and Harrison Graham tying as our school champions in the Senior Division.

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Math Olympiad Winners – Junior School

**Back:** Charlotte Hooper, Talia Austin, Joshua Hansen, Jonathan Roberts, Judah Wright

**Front:** Brianna Pecanac, Benjamin Gellert, Will McManus, Isaac Gallagher

Math Olympiad Winners – High School

**Standing:** Kaitlin Johnston, Timothy Gellert, Angus Livolsi, Daniel Hay, Thomas Krebs, Harrison Graham, Jack Gambrill, Ronan Koster, Adiel Mkolo, Sarah Aspinall

**Sitting:** Jessica Orchard, Alannah Moylan, Lachlan Falls, Daniel Brady, George Bull, Timothy Seckold, Lachlan Souter, Kael Sabben

Merit Cards

**Back** - Caleb Lacey, Angus Schey-Smith, Rohan Bridson, Brock Broughton

**Front** - Ajay Somnath, Clayton Reid, Laine Wyllie, Sean Anderson, Benjamin Kirk, Lucy Trouncer

Merit Cards

**L – R** - Alannah Moylan, Jessica Orchard, Patrick Anderson, Ryan Bridson
Pray for the following staff members – Mrs Gay Ross in her role as Prep teacher, praise God for her wonderful enthusiasm and joy with our very youngest students! Pray also for Mr Greg Johnston in his role as Maintenance Manager. Praise God for his knowledge in all things practical as well as his godly wisdom.

Praise God for the completion of the HSC! Many have already received early entry offers into University and others have different paths to follow, please continue to pray for our Year 12 students as they consider their journey after school and where that may lead.

Local Church News

- **St Jude’s Fair** will be held on the 14th November and as part of this we are having a Children’s Photo Competition. Entry: 50c Prizes: yes! Judged by: a respected photographer. Age groups: 5-8, 9-12, 13-16. All you have to do is take a great ‘local’ photo, print it on A4 paper and mount it yourself (or with help from home), make sure you put your name, age and phone number on the back. Delivery to the Church on Friday 13th November with all enquiries to Elizabeth on 0430 227 553.

- **Join us on Saturday 7th November from 10am – 2.30pm as we celebrate the 130th anniversary of Mittagong Presbyterian Church.** Southern Highlands Christian School choir will be performing and Andrew Middleton will be speaking. There will be a free BBQ lunch, a jumping castle, historical display and a cake cutting event! We hope you can celebrate with us!


- **Kids interested in acting, singing and dancing** are invited to be part of the Children’s Christmas Eve Musical held at St Jude’s Anglican Church Bowral. This is a great community event and a very memorable way to celebrate Christmas. Rehearsals are on Sundays 2-4pm and commenced on Sunday 25th October. Contact Carmen Williams on 4857 4021 or carmen@bowralanglican.org.au for more information.

- **Cubbyhouse Playgroup** is the perfect opportunity to get out of the house and spend some time enjoying adult conversation whilst your little one develops social confidence and prerequisite skills for school. Cubbyhouse is held at the new, purpose built facilities at St Jude’s Anglican Church on Mondays 10am-12noon during school terms. Contact carmen@bowralanglican.org.au.

Local Community News

- **Beginner Martial Art classes**, get fit, build confidence and have fun! Your first lesson is FREE. Held at Southern Highlands Christian School on Mondays at 6.30pm.

- **Small change, BIG difference!** Christmas Light Spectacular fund raiser on Saturday 14th November from 4.30 – 8.30pm at 65 Renwick Drive, Renwick. Sausage sizzle, tea, coffee and cakes. Entry $2 per person or $5 per family, with funds being raised for The Children’s Hospital at Westmead. For more information call Maryanne on 0437 039 833.

- **Teaching someone to drive can be a happy experience.** Come to a free Log Book Run and gain ‘real’ driving log book time: Local drive for learners accompanied by their supervisors, clock up some hours, graduated licencing scheme’s learner log book topics are covered, experience a NSW Police RBT set up. Next Log Book run at 10am 8th November. Bookings are essential so please call 4868 0809 or email melanie.lausz@wsc.nsw.gov.au.

Classifieds

**Getaway:** Lake Conjola Holiday Cottage, newly renovated, sleeps 4-6 people. Close to Lake and Beaches, beautiful bush walking and boardwalk, great for fishing /boating. 10 minutes to Milton/Ulladulla shopping and restaurants. Phone Carol 0429 451 367 for more information and rates.

To advertise in the “In Touch Classifieds” simply place ad, together with payment in an envelope clearly marked with “In Touch Classifieds”, your name and contact details and hand in at the School Office. Cut off is Tuesday for your ad to appear that week.

$5 for 1 issue or $8 for 2 issues. For all enquiries contact Jacqui Unwin in the School Office.

"Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Romans 5:1
130th Anniversary

“Celebrating the past; excited about the future”

Saturday 7th November from 10 am to 2.30 pm.

Guest Speaker: Andrew Middleton, SH Christian School Choir,
free BBQ lunch, jumping castle, historical display, cake cutting

Sunday 8th November at 10 am

Thanksgiving Service conducted by NSW Presbyterian Church Moderator
Right Hon Rev Kevin Murray & Rev Mark Armstrong
Followed by morning tea and the cutting of the 2nd Anniversary cake

Please join us