Behind the Green Gate

SCEGGS Darlinghurst
June 11, 2015

What’s On Week 9

Tuesday 16 June
• ICAS Spelling Competition, Years 4-6
• Year 3 Community Service visit to Beehive Industries

Wednesday 17 June
• Year 10 Careers Testing
• Years K-2 Excursion to Snugglepot and Cuddlepie, Darling Harbour
• Year 5 Open Classroom for parents, 10.10am-11.20am
• Year 4 Open Classroom for parents, 11.45am-1.00pm

Thursday 18 June
• Years K-6 Assembly – SCEGGS Great Hall, 12.20pm

Friday 19 June
• Inter-House Music Competition
• Kindergarten Open Classroom for parents, 2.15pm-2.45pm
• Term II finishes

20-24 June
• Snorkelling/Diving Trip – Great Barrier Reef

20-29 June
• NASA Space Camp Expedition – Florida, USA

Coming Events

Monday 6 July
• The Scots College Snowsports Championships – Perisher

Tuesday 7 July
• Redlands Snowsports Championships – Thredbo

8-11 July
• Inter-Schools Snowsports Competition, Sydney Region – Thredbo

Wednesday 15 July
• Term III begins

Friday 17 July
• SCEGGS 120th Birthday celebrations: Back to SCEGGS Day
• No Years K-2 Assembly

Tuesday 21 July
• Theatre Club Love and Information – Wharf 1 Theatre, Hickson Road, 8.00pm

Wednesday 22 July
• Year 3 Open Classroom for parents, 11.40am-1.00pm

Thursday 23 July
• Years 3-6 Assembly, 2.30pm

Friday 24 July
• Years K-2 Assembly, 12.20pm

Over the weekend I used some spare time, channelled my domestic goddess and turned out a batch of Tomato Kusundi and a batch of Pineapple Marmelade that would have made my Gran proud! Gran was not only a NZ champion archer and rifle shooter but also a deft hand at bottling and preserving. She taught me how to shoot a rifle but I had to learn these cooking skills on my own, hence why she would have been proud! Our Year 9 Class Parents would love to hear what you can make so if you can turn out a batch of lemon curd, jam, chutney, pesto, pate, sauce or jelly over the upcoming holidays please email Tiffany. Empty jars are provided and labeling will be taken care of by the fabulous Year 9 Class Parents.

Handbags
Old bags, young bags, calling all bags... and wallets... of all descriptions! Year 12 Class Parents are ready for your bag donations for the Festival on Forbes. Please deliver to the General Office.

‘Vintage’ Vases
This newest venture, as an adjunct to the fabulous flower stall, needs our support. Investigate your cupboards and find that once loved vase you no longer need, or that wedding present given to you in complete disregard to your taste and décor, and deliver to the General Office. It will very likely fit someone else’s taste and décor!

Year 8 - Tombola
Empty or full, but preferably full, Year 8 are putting together a collection of jars/bottles for the Tombola. Please leave clean empty jars with lids of any size, or full jars/bottles (can include wine, condiments etc) at the General Office or contact Mrs Penny Gerstle. Many thanks, Year 8.

Karen Niederer
Fair Convener
From the Primary

Da Vinci Decathlon
On Thursday 28 May, a selection of girls from Years 5 and 6 took part in the da Vinci Decathlon, an academic gala day held at Knox Grammar School. The day involved over 110 teams from around Australia and included challenges related to ten disciplines including English, Mathematics, Philosophy, Science, Engineering, Drama, Art, General Knowledge and Code Breaking. The members of the SCEGGS teams were:

Year 5: Kate Brenner, Ella Hackman, Clementine Hooper, Lucy Juneja, Katherine Lake, Emily Michel, Lily Punch and Mary Williams

Year 6: Ella Davidson, Tiffany Di Lucia, Marie Karantanis, Natasha Ludlow, Matilda Meers, Georgina O’Sullivan, Eliza Wenham and Alice Wong.

The girls enjoyed a stimulating and exciting day of team work, problem solving and creativity. Our Year 5 team was awarded 1st place in Philosophy, a wonderful achievement. Congratulations to all members of both teams for their participation and enthusiasm on the day.

Genevieve Gloor and Rachael Honeywood
Year 5 Teachers

Parents’ and Friends’ Association

Term II General Meeting
More than 150 parents, staff and friends came along last Tuesday evening, 2 June, for canapés and drinks with the P & F and, more importantly, to participate in an important discussion about mental health and mental illness. Our Panel comprised of Dr Timothy Sharp, Psychologist; Mr Sebastian Robertson, founder of Batyr; and Colina, a youth presenter working with Batyr. The presentations were engaging, informative and insightful and prefaced a lively Q & A with constructive discussion.

The P & F sincerely thank Mr Robertson, Colina and Dr Sharp for their contributions to this evening and also wish to thank all who attended.

The next event on the P & F calendar is our special ‘Father’/Daughter Breakfast for Years 7 & 8 on Friday 31 July. Save the date!

The P & F are very grateful for all the support within our community for the preparations now underway for the 2015 Festival on Forbes. It is exciting to hear the plans being put in advance!

Karen Niederer
President

Unloved Lego Needed
Declutter your toy box of Lego and help build a Makerspace in one fell swoop.

We are looking for donations of Lego for our new Makerspace at school. Any mountains of previously loved but now dormant Lego will be gratefully received, and can be brought to either the ICT Integrators office (G8) or the Makerspace room (G3). Thanks in advance!

Melissa Sorial and Sue Zipfinger

Debating

Archdale
On Tuesday 2 June, we debated Monte for Round 2 of the Archdale Debating Competition at Monte Sant ‘Angelo. Congratulations to the Years 8A, 9, 10 and Senior teams who defeated the Monte teams in those divisions.

This week we debate St Vincent’s at home on the topic area of ‘Australian Politics’ and the results from this round will be posted in next week’s edition of Behind the Green Gate. Next week on Tuesday 16 June, we travel to Tangara for Round 4 and the topic area for this Round is ‘Sport and Popular Culture’. The girls may go home with their parents after their debates or can return to SCEGGS on the bus after the Senior debates and be collected from School at 8.30pm.

IPSHA
On Friday 5 June, two teams from the Year 6 Blue Group went to Mosman Preparatory School to debate as part of the IPSHA Competition. Both the SCEGGS and Mosman Prep negative sides won their debates. The girls enjoyed travelling over the bridge and socialising afterwards at afternoon tea with the prep boys.

Margaret Schuitema
Debating Co-ordinator

Primary Sport

Years 4-6 Netball and Touch Trials – Week 9
Netball and Touch Trials will be held on Tuesday 16 June at Moore Park from 3.15pm-5.00pm. All girls enrolled in either Netball or Touch are expected to attend as these are the only trials.

For more information please see the letter that your daughter received at the beginning of the week.

Hockey Under 12 School Holidays Development Clinic
Hockey NSW are offering a series of Under 12 Development Clinics over the June/July holidays. If your daughter is interested please access the following website to register: http://hockeysw.com.au/News/Hockey-NSW-News/u12-school-holidays-development-clinics.

Lisa Murray
Primary Sport

Careers Corner

Project Management Winter Camp Sydney University
9 and 10 July
Years 10, 11 and 12, a two-day workshop will give students an understanding of what project management is and teach them how to tackle complex projects. Do real life case studies, learn from industry leaders and visit a leading global IT company to see projects in action. To register go to: www.sydney.edu.au/project-management/winter-camp.

Andrea Pinnock
Careers Adviser

Class Parent Function
Year 2 Family Bowls
Sunday 14 June, 2.00pm-5.00pm
Paddo Bowls Club
$30.00 per adult
Lawn bowls for all the kids and indoor function room

Feedback
Parents’ and Friends’ Association
Email: feedback@sceggs.nsw.edu.au
Website: www.sceggs.nsw.edu.au
Music Matters

Congratulations
To Vocal students of Ms Jenny Russell for their well-prepared performances at the Vocal Soiree last week. Thanks to Ms Russell, Ms Holmes and Ms Jones for their support of girls.

Delighted to see Bugles (Primary) Band working so well with their Guest Conductor, Mr Christian Eder. He is also one of our regular Clarinet Tutors. Ms Heinrich is travelling overseas for a few weeks.

Anna Ho for her contribution to Assembly. Such a delicate approach to the first movement of Mozart Sonata K330. Thank you, Anna.

Contemporary Vocal Ensemble (CVE) for their lunchtime performance under the direction of Ms Jessica O’Donoghue and accompanied by Mr Chris Cartner. Well done to committed members who shared great music.

Year 8 Elective Music students and Ms Chow, attending a recent theatre/music performance... occupying ‘the hot seats’ (literally) in the front row and being called upon to participate in the performance. A good time was had by all!

Students involved with additional rehearsals for solo and accompanying parts for special commissioned pieces being performed at the next of our Series 120 Concerts.

Mr Paul Jarman, visiting Composer, for the terrific start to a special commission being performed at our Series 120 Concert No. 4.

Year 11 - Music 2 - for compositions performed at workshops with Dr Damian Barbeler and Mr James Eccles (Viola) and Mr Christian Eder (Clarinet).

**Series 120 - Concert 3 - Celebrate**
**Friday 24 July, 6.00pm**

With the theme of Celebration, this concert will feature performances by instrumental and vocal ensembles. Special Guests have been invited, and newly commissioned pieces will be performed for the first time.

All members of the School Community are invited to attend to continue the school’s 120th Anniversary celebrations.

**Co-curricular Music Ensembles**

Appreciate that everyone is busy with House Music. Our regular, after school rehearsals must continue as ensembles tackle new repertoire for Semester 2 performance events and projects occurring early in Term III. Home-based preparation of part is also essential.

**Bands** - preparing new repertoire for NSW Schools’ Bands Festival.

**Sunday 19 July – University of NSW, John Clancy Auditorium**

Performance times have now been confirmed and notified via email (see SCEGGSnet for more detail).

- Clarion Band: 8.10am arrival
- Holst Band: 9.15am arrival

**Choirs:** learning our special commissioned pieces for the **Series 120 Concert 3** – Friday 24 July.

**Strings and Smaller Ensembles:** new repertoire for the **Series 120 Concert 3** – Friday 24 July.

**Advance Notice**

**Term III – Staff Day Workshops**
**Tuesday 14 July**

Clarion, Holst and Basie Jazz Bands, and Choir, Madrigals, CVE and Cantare members should have received advance notice, via email, of special workshops and combined rehearsals being held on Tuesday 14 July. The concentrated time will allow girls to re-group after the mid-year break, and enable polish for work being prepared for the NSW School Bands’ Festival, Back to SCEGGS Day, and the Series 120 Concert 3. Notices confirming arrangements also appear on SCEGGSnet.

**Term III – Back to SCEGGS Day**
**Friday 17 July – afternoon and evening**

Basie Jazz Band, Choir-Madrigal-CVE and Amati Strings have been invited to contribute towards the Old Girls’ celebration – Back to SCEGGS Day.

Members of these groups will have received advance notice, via email, of special performances taking place during the Twilight Drinks on the JFSATC rooftop, and the Dinner in SCEGGS Great Hall.

How special to be able to contribute to this gala event, on the day of the School’s 120th Anniversary.

**House Music – All That Jazz**

**Guest Adjudicators announced**

Ms Jess Dunn and Ms Rosie Woods from the **Sirens Big Band** are confirmed as our Guest Adjudicators. Sirens Big Band is an ARIA Award winning, all female Jazz Band (20 players). Their business is Jazz and improvisation.

House Music Challenge for Bonus Points – student improvisation (singing or playing) to be featured in some way. Heads down, tails up...get stuck into it.

**Soirees and other Solo Performance Opportunities**

A full listing of solo performance opportunities, and application forms are available on SCEGGSnet. All students are encouraged to prepare a piece for participation. Families and friends always welcome to attend.

**Music Week - Lunchtime Invitational Concerts**

Selected instrumental and vocal soloists from Years 7-12 will be invited to perform at one of a series of **Lunchtime Invitational Concerts** being held during Music Week (Term III, Week 2). Ms Jones is co-ordinating the programs.

Invited performers will need to rehearse with Accompanists before their allocated performance.

**Forthcoming Events**

- **Primary Piano Concert:** Thursday 11 June – SCEGGS Great Hall, 3.30pm.
- **Vocal Soiree (Ms Jo Burton’s and Ms Amandine Pettit’s students)** Thursday 11 June – SCEGGS Great Hall, 4.15pm.
- **Australian String Teachers Association Performance Day:** Sunday 14 June – Kambala. Mr Whitting accompanying selected players.
- **Project Brass Ensemble – Open rehearsal for parents:** Monday 15 June – Diana Bowman Centre (DB1), 7.30am.
- **String Soirees:** Monday 15, Tuesday 16 and Wednesday 17 June – Primary Music Room, 3.30pm-4.30pm. Application forms on SCEGGSnet.
- **House Music:** Friday 19 July – SCEGGS Great Hall, afternoon.
- **HSC Performance Workshops, Music 1:** Monday 17 July. Schedule has been advised.
- **Band and Choir Workshops:** Tuesday 14 July. Schedule has been advised by email, by Mr Jewitt.
- **Back to SCEGGS Day:** Friday 17 July – Basie Jazz Band, Choir - Madrigal - CVE and Amati Strings. Times have been advised.
- **Sunday 19 July:** NSW School Bands’ Festival (Clarion and Holst Band) – UNSW, John Clancy Auditorium.

*Felicia Chadwick*

*Head of Music*
Drama

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee

The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee opened last night to a great audience reaction to our mystery volunteer spellers!

The show is on tonight, Friday and Saturday at 7.30pm. Bookings through trybooking by clicking here.

The show runs for approximately 1 hour and 30 minutes without an interval and refreshments will be served for 30 minutes before the show. Come early to get in the mood for a very exciting Spelling Bee.

We need audience volunteers!

If you are coming along to see the show, and want to test your spelling prowess, come to Front of House at 7.00pm tonight, Friday or Saturday. Parents, students, family friends and staff, we need you!!

Dates: Thursday 11, Friday 12 and Saturday 13 June at 7.30pm
Venue: St Peter’s Playhouse
Tickets: Adults $30.00, Concessions $25.00

Argonautika at Grammar

Argonautika tells the tale of Jason and his band of heroes, The Argonauts, in their quest to retrieve the golden fleece. As one of the first mythical journeys in Ancient Greece, it is an action packed adventure with physical theatre, the prestige and power of Gods and Goddess and the turbulent love of Jason and Medea. The Cast includes SCEGGS girls Emma Burns, Katya Cahill, Gemma Hassall, Ginger-Rose Harrington, Alice Heraud, Lakshmi Krishnan, Eliza Learmonth and Isabella Ryan.

Venue: Alastair Mackerras Theatre
Dates: Tuesday 16, Wednesday 17 and Thursday 18 June
Time: 6.30pm
Ticket Prices: Concession $10.00, Adult $15.00
Buy tickets at: baw@sydgram.nsw.edu.au or email any of Cast for tickets.

Inga Scarlett
Head of Drama

Cafeteria Specials - Week 9

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Let your light shine...

- ENTRY FEE $25/ $15 student
- ART COMPETITION THEME - 'Let your light shine'
- PRIZES AWARDED by our esteemed panel of judges.
- WORKS FOR SALE - 50% of sales to SCEGGS P&F and 50% to the artist.
- Entry is open to everyone, all ages and abilities.
- All mediums accepted - sculpture, painting, mixed media, photo etc

ENTRY FEE TO BE PAID BY AUGUST 14TH
Works to be delivered to SCEGGS on August 19th (9am -12pm) or August 20th (3pm - 6pm)

To view Terms & Conditions and download registration form see the link on the front page of the SCEGGS Website.
Payment can be made at SCEGGS Online or for further enquiries contact Marnie Ross at feedback@sceggs.nsw.edu.au or PH 0410634040