Parents’ and Friends’ Association

Well done to the SCEGGS Community for raising over $85,000.00 at this year’s Festival on Forbes. Thank you once again to everyone involved in what was such a wonderful day. Thank you also to the Treasurer, Mr Michael Kotowicz, who has been very busy since the Festival on Forbes reconciling the funds.

Class Parents

It is now the time of the year when we start looking for new Class Parents for next year. Could all current Class Parents ask their cohort for volunteers and send the details to Mr Stuart Lee as soon as possible.

If you are interested in getting involved, but are unsure of what that actually means, then you might like to contact your current Class Parents to find out more. As they will be seeking expressions of interest from the cohort they will definitely be interested to hear from you. Class Parents are an important part of SCEGGS school life and your involvement is both welcomed and appreciated. Please feel free to also contact Mr Lee directly if you have any questions or wish to volunteer.

2015 Class Parents… could the Festival on Forbes folders together with the survey feedback form be returned to the General Office as soon as possible and definitely before the end of term, please? Thank you to those who have already returned their folders.

The Parents’ and Friends’ Association AGM

Election of the Committee for 2016 will take place at the Parents’ and Friends’ Association AGM on Tuesday 10 November at 7.30pm in the Auditorium. Nominations Forms are available in the General Office and need to be in before then. All parents are welcome to attend the AGM regardless of any intention to participate in the election. Indeed, it is a good opportunity to meet those on the Committee and learn more about the role of the Parents’ and Friends’ Association. Refreshments will be provided and you are welcome to join us for some Christmas cheer!

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like further information (telephone: 0403 091 961 or email).

Karen Niederer
President

Year 10 History Debating

The Year 10 History Debating team recently participated in two debates in two separate competitions.

In the JA Thompson Competition, the team faced James Ruse Agricultural High School. The topic was ‘That government policy since 1945 has been effective in addressing women’s rights’. The team of Sally Adams, Lucy Edwards, Sofia Latham and Sophia Thompson were successful in constructing and supporting an unassailable case that government policy regarding women has indeed been effective.

In the Les Gordon Competition, the team of Annabelle Boyd, Jacqueline Brown, Piper Devlin and Rachel McCrossin debated against Sydney Boys’ High School. The topic was that ‘The War on Terror began with the Crusades’. This highly complex debate was eventually decided on definitional issues. Although the team was not successful, it was thoroughly entertaining and informative.

Congratulations to all the Year 10 History debaters. Although they will not progress to the Final of the Les Gordon Competition, they are now into the Semi Final of the JA Thompson Competition. Their hard work and enthusiasm is certainly paying off!

Kelly McManus
History Debating Co-ordinator

What’s On Week 4

Tuesday 27 October
• Parents’ and Friends’ Association Committee/General Meeting – Meeting Room, 7.00pm

27-30 October
• Years K-6 Life Education Lessons

28-30 October
• Assessment for Year 7

28 October - 3 November
• Assessment for Years 8, 9 and 10

Thursday 29 October
• Year 4CG Open Classroom for Parents: Art, 12.00pm-1.00pm
• P & F Paddle Pop Day – Primary School, Lunchtime
• Years 3-6 Assembly – Lecture Theatre, 2.30pm
• SPAN Event Social Media and Business - the Conversation Continues. SCEGGS Great Hall, 7.00pm for 7.30pm start.

Friday 30 October
• Year 4P Open Classroom for Parents: Art, 2.00pm-3.00pm

Coming Events

Wednesday 4 November
• Years 1-3 Incursion, bilingual, French/English, Puppet Show: Beauty and the Beast

7-9 November
• Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Silver Qualifying Expedition – Blue Mountains

Tuesday 10 November
• AGM Parent’s and Friends’ Association and Term IV Meeting

10-13 November
• Years K-2 Art Show – Primary Library

Friday 13 November
• End of Year 6 Party – SCEGGS Great Hall, 6.00pm-8.30pm

Tuesday 17 November
• Year 3 Excursion to Sydney Observatory

18-21 November
• SCEGGS Drama Production – Saving SCEGGS

Friday 20 November
• Years K-2 Concert – SCEGGS Great Hall, 2.00pm
From the Primary

Year 2 Camp
The girls in Year 2 are very excited about their first overnight camping experience. This week they are spending two days at Telford, in the Royal National Park, where they will take part in outdoor education activities including: navigation exercises, initiative games, a bushwalk and cook-out, and they will learn the basic skills of canoeing. Our Outdoor Education program begins with this camp in Year 2, with sequential skill development for the girls as they progress through the school. We look forward to hearing all about Year 2’s adventures on their return.

Elizabeth Cumming
Head of Primary School

Primary Writing Competition
Last term, girls from Kindergarten to Year 6 were invited to participate in the SCEGGS Primary Writing Competition. Girls were encouraged to extend themselves by creatively writing a story in response to a short film animation.

Creative writing plays an important role in the girls’ literacy development. It enables them to express themselves and their own ideas, whilst also allowing them to broaden their knowledge and understanding of effective language techniques. The writing competition provided girls with the opportunity to use their imaginations and write for enjoyment. There was an overwhelmingly positive response to the competition, with girls across all years putting their creative hats on and enjoying the chance to write freely. Congratulations to the following girls who received an achievement award in each Year group:

- Kindergarten – Grace Chandler
- Year 1 – Sadie Juneja
- Year 2 – Amelia Whelan
- Year 3 – Beatrix Rivers
- Year 4 – Sophia Wood
- Year 5 – Lucia Gelonesi
- Year 6 – Tiffany Di Lucia

Year 6 Teacher

Sandra Carter
Co-ordinator Public Speaking

Public Speaking

Legacy Junior Speaking Award
Claire Yin was runner up at the State Final of the Legacy Junior Speaking Award held at the NSW Art Gallery on Friday 16 October. She was enthusiastically supported by her family and six classmates.

Claire was presented with her trophy by the Governor of NSW. She will now compete at the National Finals in Melbourne on Monday 9 November. Congratulations, Claire.

AHIGS Festival of Speech
The AHIGS Festival of Speech was held on Saturday 17 October and was hosted this year by Wenona. 27 independent girls’ schools took part. SCEGGS competed in team and individual events from Religious and Ethical Questions and Current Affairs to Public Speaking and Poetry. Team members were:

- Current Affairs:
  - Tani Hasson, Penelope Henderson, Charlotte Munns
- Poetry Senior: Sofia Latham
- Poetry Junior: Elisabeth Sulich
- Public Speaking Senior: Claire Yin
- Public Speaking Junior: Ruby Adler
- Reading Senior: Niamh Gallagher
- Reading Junior: Mia Stapleton
- Religious and Ethical Questions:
  - Clare Armstrong, Annabelle Boyd and Naomi Segal

Marks are awarded for the first five places in each section with SCEGGS winning the Senior Division and coming 3rd overall to PLC Sydney, and Pymble.

Event results
- Current Affairs – 1st
- Senior Poetry – 3rd
- Senior Public Speaking – 2nd
- Senior Reading – 4th
- Religious and Ethical Questions – 4th

Congratulations to all girls with a special thank you to Dr Leonie Armstrong for coaching the Religious and Ethical Questions team and Ms Claire Duffy the Current Affairs team.

Sandra Carter
Co-ordinator Public Speaking

Sport

NSW All Schools Athletics
Congratulations to Elizabeth Baral who won the Under 17 Years Pole Vault at the NSW All Schools Athletics Championships. Elizabeth has now been selected to compete at the Australian All Schools Championships in Melbourne.

IGSSA Gymnastics
Good luck to all girls competing at the IGSSA Gymnastics Championships at the Sydney Gymnastics Centre, Rooty Hill on Friday.

Alison Gowan
Director of Sport

Class Parents Functions

Year 10 Mother Daughter Dinner
Wednesday 11 November at 7.00pm
Hannibal Restaurant
95 Glebe Point Rd, Glebe
Cost $35.00 per person (BYO)
Pay via SCEGGS online payment by Wednesday 4 November

Year 9 Parents’ Cocktails
Thursday 5 November at 6.30pm
Venue: Private home
see emailed invite for further details
Please RSVP and pay online by Friday 30 October

Year 3 Parents’ Cocktail Party
Saturday 14 November from 6.30pm
Venue: Private residence
$55.00 per person, please pay online
Primary Sport

**NSWPSSA Athletic Results**

*Grace MacCormick* represented the NSWCIS Athletics team on Wednesday 14 October in the AWD Junior Girls Long Jump. She came an outstanding 7th in the Heat and came an overall 7th in the Final.

*Kate Brenner, Sophie Davis, Katherine Lake and Kate Rooney* also represented the NSWCIS team in the 4 x 100m Junior Relay. They came 2nd in their Heat and 6th overall with a PB time of 1.00.84. They therefore qualified for the Semi-Finals where they came 6th as well as an overall placing of 14th. An exceptional achievement by all four runners.

Congratulations, again, girls!

**Wet Weather – Before and After School Sport**

There are numerous ways to check whether Sport is on before and after school.

- **Before School** - Check Twitter. This can be accessed via the Twitter App and through the SCEGGSS App.
- **Afternoon Sport** – Check SCEGGSSport twitter feed.
- The SCEGGSS Wet Weather number – 9332 4179.
- An SMS may be sent to your mobile number where time permits. All wet weather activities conclude at 4.30pm. Please ensure you collect your daughter from the Sports Hall promptly at 4.30pm. If you are late your daughter will be taken to the Primary Office.

**IPSHA Gymnastics**

Good luck to all Artistic and Rhythmic Gymnastics competing at the IPSHA competition on Thursday 22 October. We wish you all the very best for your routines!

**Gymnastics Cancelled Friday 23 October**

Just a reminder that there is no training on Friday 23 October due to the IGSSA Gymnastics Competition.

Drama

**2016 Drama Production: The Crucible by Arthur Miller**

Our Term II Drama Production next year is Arthur Miller’s *The Crucible*. In the centenary year of Miller’s birth, we thought it appropriate to stage this classic play, a powerful dramatisation of the Salem Witch Trials in Massachusetts in 1692 and 1693, as well as an allegory for the McCarthy era in 1950s America. Set in a culture of hysteria, fear and accusation, the contemporary relevancies will not be lost on a 2016 audience. The play will be performed in June next year.

Auditions take place on Wednesday 11, Thursday 12 and Friday 13 November, from 3.30pm-5.30pm in the DBPAC.

Callbacks will be the following Tuesday 17 November from 3.30pm.

Girls in Years 7-10 may audition. Information about the play, the auditions and the audition pieces will be published on SCEGGSnet shortly. There will be a sign-up sheet for auditions outside the Drama Department from tomorrow, Friday.

**Saving SCEGGS**

*Saving SCEGGS* opens soon. This verbatim theatre performance recreates the turbulent events of 1976-77 using the ‘verbatim’ words of the people involved in this piece of SCEGGS history.

Performances: Wednesday 18, Thursday 19, Friday 20 and Saturday 21 November at 7.00pm

Tickets available through Trybooking by clicking here.

Details of meeting point, map of the venues, wet weather arrangements etc will be available soon.

Inga Scarlett  
Head of Drama

Visual Arts

**Howard Tanner Prize for Drawing 2015**

The Howard Tanner Prize for drawing is an annual prize awarded to a student from Years 9, 10 or 11 who has excelled in drawing. The prize encourages students in an age of technology to develop their skills of observation and rendering by hand.

The award is presented to the recipient on Speech Night.

The drawings are currently on display in JF1 until Monday 2 November. Please drop in to have a look at the beautiful work on display.

Katrina Collins  
Head of Visual Arts
Music Matters

Congratulations
More than 300 students, and 45 staff participated in the recent Serie Series 120 Concert No 4, at the Concours Concert Hall at Chatswood. With the theme of Shine (taken from our School motto), the audience of 1,000 witnessed the musical community of SCEGGS gathered to share their skills and talents. We enjoyed an afternoon of outstanding performances by musicians from the Primary and Secondary schools. There were a number of new pieces receiving their first performances in the presence of composers and arrangers: Mr Stephen Chin; Mr Stephen Capaldo; Mr Ian Cleworth; Mr John Cleworth; Ms Jayne Groves, Mr Paul Jarman and Mr Matthew Moore.

The professionalism with which girls approached their preparation, the musical challenges, and both their on-stage and back-stage presence was commendable.

Brava, Brava to Music Department Staff – a mighty team effort.

Delighted to have the support of our talented team of Peripatetic Tutors and members of SCEGGS ‘extended’ family of musicians. Wonderful also to have the support of a number of Alumni musicians (playing and singing). Three members of the Ford Family… well done.

Compere Mr David Wenham kept things flowing very nicely between stage set-ups for 14 very diverse musical items. The finale saw all performers join in an inspiring rendition of the School’s 120th Anniversary, Song of Celebration – ‘Shine’, with accompaniment by 97 orchestral musicians. The combined Choirs, Years 3 and 4 Choirs, and Vocal soloists, led by Ms Zoe Vrachnas (Class of 2009), brought the audience to their feet.

An inspiring afternoon – a wonderful embodiment of the power of collective endeavour, the achievement that comes from hard work, and the satisfaction of being part of something really ‘big’.

Jacqueline Brown (Year 10) for the successful attainment of an A. Mus. A... her second, this time for Violin. She is well placed now to explore many different musical pathways… enjoy the journey, Jacqueline.

Encore… Suzannah Keene (Class of 2015), delighted to be sharing news of a BOSTES Encore nomination for her most recent HSC performances, deemed by HSC markers to be of an exemplary standard. Suzannah presented Damian Barbeler’s new work ‘Joy Dirt’ as part of her program. The piece was written especially for Suzannah and featured in our Series 120 Concert 3 some months ago.

Encore, Encore… for Stephanie Pennas (Class of 2015) also for her BOSTES Encore nomination. Her HSC performances, which included Jazz standards made famous by Ella Fitzgerald, were a highlight. Well done, Stephanie.

Year 8 Invitations continue… what a talented bunch - the first and second in the series of three lunchtime ‘gigs’. Each drawing quite a crowd to DB1. Thanks to Ms Jones and Ms Chow for supporting this important solo performance opportunity for Elective Music students.

Year 10 Elective students for their outstanding film compositions, performed live with visual images in SCEGGS Great Hall. An impressive fusion of live and pre-recorded music. Quite an achievement. Thanks to Mr Jewitt for his work with girls.

Guitar students of Ms Jess Green who performed at the recent Guitar Soiree. Great to hear the work they have been preparing.

Music Captain – 2016
Ginger-Rose Harrington (Year 10) is a member of a number of Co-curricular Music Ensembles and an Elective Music student. She is an experienced member of Choir and Madrigals as well as a Trumpeter with Holst and Basie Jazz Bands. Her musical leadership skills have been on display many times throughout the year. Well done, Ginger-Rose.

Organ Scholars Announced
Congratulations to Organ Scholars Jacqueline Brown (Year 10) continuing, and Johanna Garrick (Year 9) commencing. Wonderful to support two of the School’s outstanding musicians in such a challenging venture. Wishing you well in your studies.

Soirees
Looking forward to sharing many student solo performances at the forthcoming Soirees (see details below). Application Forms available on SCEGGSnet. Accompaniment is provided for all students.

Forthcoming Events
- Monday 26 October – Brass Soiree: students of Mr Gergely Malyusz and Ms Cindy Sims. Primary Music Room, 3.30pm.
- Monday 2, Tuesday 3 and Wednesday 4 November – String Soiree: open to any String players – Primary Music Room, 3.30pm.
- Wednesday 4 November – Combined Speech Night Bands (Claron and Holst players) rehearsals commence (first of 5 weeks) – SCEGGS Great Hall, 3.30pm.
- Wednesday 4 November – Speech Night: Special Project Orchestra rehearsals commence (first of 5 weeks) – SCEGGS Great Hall, 4.45pm-6.00pm.
- Thursday 5 November – SSO Meet the Music Concert: Broadway Hits (Years 8, 9, 10 and 11 (Music 1) Elective classes) – Sydney Opera House, 6.30pm.
- Friday 6 November – Vocal Soiree: students of Ms Eloise Evans and Ms Jessica O’Donoghue, 3.30pm.
- Monday 9 November – Flute Soiree (students of Ms Lucie Benz) – Primary Music Room, 3.30pm.
- Wednesday 11 November – Woodwind Soiree (students Mr Christian Eder and Ms Sarah Young) – DB1, Lunchtime.
- Thursday 12 November – Percussion Soiree (Students of Ms Jayne Groves and Percussion Ensembles) – SCEGGS Great Hall, 3.30pm.

Felicia Chadwick
Head of Music

Cafeteria Specials - Week 4

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Felicia Chadwick
Head of Music
America: Prophecy, Power, Politics
Taught by the United States Studies Centre at the University of Sydney, America: Prophecy, Power, Politics offers Year 11 and Year 12 students the opportunity to develop university-standard writing and critical thinking skills while earning credit towards a tertiary degree. The course provides a conceptual overview of major issues in contemporary and historical American society, politics, and culture. It is designed to give students the conceptual tools, research skills, and critical methodologies they can apply to understanding contemporary social issues and policy debates. It will complement other HSC subjects in the humanities and will provide excellent preparation for humanities and political science at the university level.

The United States Studies Centre offers two scholarships: one merit scholarship to a student with an outstanding academic record and one equity scholarship to a student who can demonstrate financial hardship or educational disadvantage.

Apply now for Semester 1, 2016! For more information visit: ussc.edu.au/highschool

UNSW: Minerals Summer School
Monday 18 January-Wednesday 20 January
Applications close Saturday 31 October
Students in Years 10 or 11 who are interested in science or engineering can take part in this three day residential summer school. Students will learn about study, careers, lifestyles, and opportunities in the Australian minerals industry. Contact: mining@unsw.edu.au. To find out more click here.

UTS Discover Architecture Summer School
Applications close Tuesday 5 January
Summer school runs from Monday 11 January to Thursday 21 January at the UTS School of Architecture, 702-730 Harris Street, Ultimo.

Students will get to explore the Sydney CBD, make models and drawings using advanced digital equipment, meet and work with architects from various fields of industry, and more. The course costs $599.00 and does not cover day-to-day costs such as meals, flights or accommodation.

Contact: Ms Joanne Kinniburgh on 02 9514 884 or Joanne.Kinniburgh@uts.edu.au or visit http://www.utsarchitecture.net/discoverarchitecture/ for more information.

ANU Advisory Days
Sydney: Thursday 17 December, 10.00am-2.00pm, The Australian National Maritime Museum, 2 Murray Street, Sydney.
Canberra: Friday 18 December, 10.00am-2.00pm, Melville Hall, ANU.

Learn about ANU programs, student accommodation, exchange programs, and support services. More information can be found at http://www.anu.edu.au/study/events.

Times Higher Education Rankings 2015-16
The Times Higher Education Rankings have been released for 2016. Universities are judged across all of their core missions – teaching, research, knowledge transfer and international outlook.

The University of Melbourne has been ranked the highest out of the Australian universities at number 33, followed by the Australian National University at 52, the University of Sydney at 56, and the University of Queensland at 60. See all the rankings by clicking here.

Andrea Pinnock
Careers Adviser

SPAN Event
The SCEGGS Trust is delighted to invite you to this year’s SPAN Event:
Social Media and Business - the Conversation Continues
Join current parent and Editor of Vogue Australia, Edwina McCann-Smith and Old Girls, Taya CONOMOS (2005), Olympic and Commonwealth Games Project and Communication Manager at the Seven Network and Jess COOK (2000), Director of 107 Projects Inc and Token Imagination, in a discussion exploring the ways social media is changing business.
Moderated by media expert, Sally Loane, the night will provide a rare opportunity to hear from these talented professionals.

Date: Thursday 29 October
Time: 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start
Venue: SCEGGS Great Hall
Admission: Tickets $40.00 and include drinks and a light supper
Click here and select SCEGGS Professional Alumni Network (SPAN)
See flyer on the next page for more details.
Thursday 29th October

7.00pm for a 7.30pm start

SCEGGS Great Hall

Tickets $40 and include drinks and a light supper

To book go to: www.sceggs.nsw.edu.au

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