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CO-CURRICULAR UPDATE

Our co-curricular program continues to offer students a rich variety of opportunities to grow, lead, and thrive beyond the classroom. Here's a look at what's been happening across the College over the past fortnight:

Duke of Edinburgh – Bronze Hike

Last weekend marked a significant milestone for our Year 9 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh students, as they completed their first overnight hike through the beautiful but challenging Ku-ring-gai National Park. The group navigated rugged terrain, demonstrated strong teamwork, and showed excellent perseverance as they tackled the track.

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When I visited the campsite on Friday evening, I was greeted by tired but smiling faces – students who were clearly proud of what they'd accomplished. This first expedition has set a strong foundation for what will be a formative journey ahead as they continue their Duke of Ed adventure. A heartfelt thank you to Mr Catto, Mr Graham, and all the staff volunteers whose time, encouragement, and support made this experience possible.

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Debating

Debating continues to go from strength to strength, with our students competing across both HICES and MISA competitions. While our HICES teams are deep into their rounds, we are especially excited about the performance of our Year 9 and 10 MISA teams, who have just progressed to the quarterfinals. The Year 10 team in particular has earned the top seed in their half of the bracket, giving them a strong strategic advantage. Their success is a testament to their careful preparation, quick thinking, and confident delivery.

Performing Arts – MADE for Stage & 2026 Musical Tease

Excitement is building across the College as we prepare for MADE for Stage, our celebrated biennial performing arts showcase. Students in music, dance, and drama have been rehearsing with great passion and energy, and the show promises to be a powerful celebration of student creativity and talent.

Adding to the buzz, we’re thrilled to announce that the 2026 College Musical will be officially

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revealed on the night! In the lead-up to the announcement, the auditorium foyer is being transformed into a “guessing gallery,” featuring a wall of posters from iconic musicals – one of which will be the show we’re staging. Each day, one poster will be removed, narrowing the field until the big reveal.

After-School Programs

Our after-school co-curricular offerings are thriving, giving students opportunities to explore interests and build friendships in a relaxed and fun environment. This week I visited the Junior Boys Football program where the students were immersed in a self-run Mini World Cup tournament. National pride was on the line as teams battled through group stages and finals. The grand final ended in a draw and was decided in a tense penalty shootout – complete with cheers, near misses, and a dramatic finish. It was a wonderful reminder of the joy and camaraderie that co-curricular sport brings.

We look forward to the weeks ahead as more opportunities unfold and our students continue to flourish through these rich co-curricular experiences.

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Director of Co-curricular

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