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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Assalamu alaykum wa Rahmatullhi wa Barakaatuhu

I would like to congratulate **Mrs Firoza Ahmed** to the position of K-2 coordinator for the rest of the year. Her experience and leadership will be beneficial to all the Hoxton Park community.

Mrs Shereen Khan has resigned as a full time teacher at Hoxton Park. We wish her all the best in her future. I would like to welcome Mrs Nazima Parkar who has replaced Mrs Khan from Monday 14th August.

I would like to thank all of the High School teachers and parents who attended Parent / Teacher Interviews

High School Year 8 Parent Information:

Thank you to all the Year 8 parents that attended the Subject selection for Year 9 afternoon information session with their child.

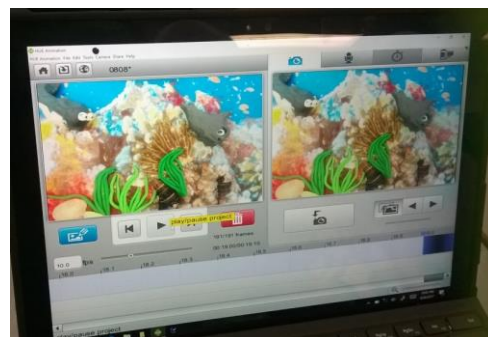
Year 7 Incursion- CLAYMATION Workshop

As part of Year 7 assessment, students participated in a whole day workshop held by Matthew Gillard of Sammat Education on the 8th of August.

Claymation is any animation done using a character, or characters, created out of clay. For this assessment, students chose a particular Australian ecosystem and created a story based on the ecosystem. The story showed the feeding patterns of the organisms and interactions in the form of food chains.

Students constructed clay models to create Claymation in groups. Students also created a short video of their Claymation. The skills to create a model using Claymation were taught during the workshop.

It was a successful day and students really enjoyed the day filled with hands on activities on Claymation.



Student Representative Council initiative: Wear a different Hat Day

Friday the 11th August is wear a different hat day; all students are encouraged to participate in this fundraising event organised by our Student Representative Council. Students are asked to bring in a gold coin donation which goes towards Human Appeal Build a Well Project. I would like to congratulate our SRC for their wonderful ideas and taking the challenge of raising money for people who are less fortunate than us.



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Year 7 Excursion to the Nicholson Museum

The day was filled with both excitement and delight from the year 7 students, as our knowledgeable guide took us back in time to the worlds of Ancient Egypt, Greece and Rome. Our understanding of the Ancient world expanded with every fascinating, and sometimes gruesome, detail. We heard of statues that were bigger than houses, examined sarcophagi that were close to three thousand years old, saw a Lego model of the entire city of Pompeii, with volcanic lava bubbling underneath, and handled real ancient artefacts, all within the beautiful sandstone buildings of Sydney University (as one student put it: "we looked at artefacts inside a giant artefact!"). **Ms Johnston**



On Wednesday, the 2nd of August, Year 7 went on an excursion to the Nicholson Museum at the University of Sydney. When we arrived, we were met by our tour guide, Mitch, who would take us around the museum for the day. First, we were taken into the part of the museum that was dedicated to Ancient Egypt. There were several artefacts that were thousands of years old. There was even a real mummy that Mitch told us was a 7-year-old boy named Horus. Next, we were guided into the Ancient Greece section. We were all so fascinated to learn about the Parthenon and how it was demolished. Mitch also taught us about Ancient Greek statues. We then had a quick break for lunch and after that we learnt about Pompeii and Roman armour. Next, we were taken down to the 'hands-on' room where we all put on rubber gloves and held real ancient artefacts! Even though we were really excited, we were instructed to handle them very carefully. Finally, we climbed onto the bus and drove home. The day was very long but it was very enjoyable. All of us had learnt numerous new things and were enthusiastic to recount our day to our families back home.

Written by Fatima Rajput

Year 7 Quotes/comments/opinions

"It was the best excursion of the year – very educational and we got to pick up the artefacts!" Rayhan

"We did some hands-on experiments" Adan

"It was educational. We learnt a lot about Ancient Egypt, Rome and Greece, and they showed us armour and swords" Ahmed A.

"We really enjoyed the excursion because we learnt a lot about the skull and brain and the lifestyle. It was a really good experience!" Aleyna, Haneen and Aisha

"The excursion was very helpful in my History education as there were a lot of things that I didn't know happened in ancient times". Maaz

"It was very educational and gross (learning about the mummification process)!"

Book Week – Character Parade Mrs Yasmeen Ali (Librarian)

Book Week at Hoxton Park Campus will be held from Tuesday 15th August until Tuesday 22nd August, 2017.

Hoxton Park students will hold a Character parade on Tuesday the 22nd August. Each class has been given a book week activity to complete in class. Parents are invited to attend their child's book week parade throughout the day.

Times for Book week parades and assembly are as follows:

K-2	9:00 – 10:30
Year 3 – 6	11.15 to 12.45
Year 7 – 9	1:30 to 2:30

Canteen will be selling cakes and sausage sizzle on the day of the Character Parade – Tuesday 22nd August



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AFL Program week 2

The AFL sessions are going exceptionally well so far. The instructor taught us fun games to play which teach us each of the elements of skills needed to play AFL. I believe the way our wonderful instructor is demonstrating the sport of AFL is fun and educational. Some of the skills we have learnt are; how to hand pass, how to kick correctly and how to 'LISTEN', which is a very important skill. I can't wait for our next lesson; AFL is a 'BLAST'! Written by Zein Muhieddine Year 6



Year 1's Excursion to the Browns Reserve Park

Year 1A and 1B departed at 2.00pm from Malek Fahd Hoxton Park to the Browns Reserve Park. All the students enjoyed the walk to and from the park. The students did a wonderful job of recognising all the natural, constructed and managed features on their way to the park and at the park. The students were able to ascertain and explain how the local council manages the constructed and natural features in the park. Furthermore, the students were able to draw a map of the park with correct labels. Drawing of a map was one of the skills in Geography that the students of Year 1 had to accomplish after their visit to the park. It was a great learning experience for the students.



Science Week: 'Future Earth' – (Mrs Ferreen Rahim (High School Science teacher))

Science week at Hoxton Park Campus will be held from Monday 14th August until Friday 18th August, 2017.

Hoxton Park students will complete a variety of science related activities to celebrate 'Future Earth' in class. These activities include; Creating Posters, Defining what Habitats are and Discussing Sustainable Choices.

2018 Kindergarten Interviews:

Interviews for Kindergarten enrolments for 2018 have commenced. Any parent who is keen for their son / daughter to start Kindergarten in 2018 ring the administration office and organise an interview.

High School 2017 Australian Geography Competition

The following students achieved Credit Award

Year 7- Sohail Khan

Year 8- Mahnoor Laiq

Year 9- Zia Ali

Thank you to Mrs Sangeeta Ali (Geography teacher) for organising this event for the students at Hoxton Park.



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ICAS Spelling results: 22 participating Hoxton Park students

10 Credits achieved:

Farhina Farhad – Year 3
Abrar Kabir – Year 3
Abbas Abdi – Year 4
Nuha Nawar – Year 4
Lubaina Zia – Year 6

Samiha Hoque – Year 3
Benzir Al Mehrab – Year 3
Shima Hossain – Year 4
Shafayet Al-Asban – Year 5
Adan Safdar – Year 7

1 Merit achieved:

Shajarat Shamim – Year 5

2 Distinctions achieved:

Auritttri Chowdhury – Year 5

Rayyan Islam – Year 6

1 High Distinction achieved:

Jawwad Prodhan – Year 4

Speech to Liverpool City Council

I was given the opportunity to speak at the Liverpool City Council's meeting on 26th July. The experience was absolutely amazing as I was invited to address the council with my winning speech at the Speaking for the Planet competition. Taking part in the Speaking 4 the Planet competition opened up so many opportunities as I have also been invited to the Youth Eco Summit in September. It has been a wonderful experience and I'm grateful to Mrs Sangeeta Ali for giving me this opportunity. Written by Mahnoor Laiq (Year 8)



Upcoming events and activities - pencil into your diary

K-9 AFL program continues Tuesdays and Thursdays
Year 7 Illawarra Tree tops excursion Wednesday 16th August
Year 2 and Year 4 Powerhouse Museum excursion Friday 25th August
SRC Cake Stall Fundraiser – Wednesday 30th August
Athletics Carnival – Thursday 7th September

Stephen Lord

Acting Head of Campus
Malek Fahd Hoxton Park