Year 7 French: le français

Year 7 students are to be commended for their hard work throughout the year. To celebrate their efforts, they had a French Crêpes Incursion, where they enjoyed eating an authentic French pancake while practising their conversational French with Monsieur Patrice Duport, a French pastry chef who is currently living in Sydney.

Year 7 students have been learning “survival French”: greetings and introductions, while discovering that French is not just spoken in France. Year 7 did some wonderful work in creating PowerPoints on the many French-speaking countries (la francophonie) around the world, which they presented to their classmates.

In Terms 2 and 3, students continued to build their conversational French by learning to talk about themselves, their likes, dislikes and describe their family and others. To apply the French descriptive language they have been learning, each student chose a French celebrity or national hero for a major research project and created interesting and informative Glogs in both English and French.

In Term 4, students have started learning about the French Cuisine and how to order food in French. In the coming weeks, we will start preparing for the French cooking ‘Invention Test’ and create original gaufres (waffle) desserts, followed by lots of eating – bon appétit!

Hopefully, this will allow students to celebrate what has been a very productive and creative first year of French and French culture.

Madame O’Donoghue
French Teacher
PDHPE Report

NRL West Tigers Forward turned Pro Boxer
Corey Paterson pays Granville South a Visit

On Wednesday, October 29, former West Tigers, Newcastle Knights, North Queensland Cowboys and Hull KR (UK Super League) forward paid a visit to Granville South Creative & Performing Arts High School, together with Granville South’s good Friend, NRL Representative, Mr Dean Feeney. Corey joined in on Mr Garrido’s S1 sport lesson, giving the S1 students a run with some paddle tennis as well as getting a sneak peak look at our new School gym. Corey joined middle weight boxer Daniel Geale and NRL Footy Show TV Personality Mario Fenech in signing the gym punching bag.

Corey will be running a 4 week NRL Resiliency program with our students, promoting a positive learning environment and empowering our students to succeed. Despite sporting success by representing Australia in the Prime Minister’s XIII and the Indigenous All Stars, Corey in the past has battled depression saying that ‘it doesn’t matter who you are, anyone can experience it’. Corey thanks his mentors and the positive people around him in getting him through those times. Corey says, ‘I want to do all I can and in-still a positive motivation to succeed in the young kids of today’. Well Done Corey!

He also took the time out to send a special message to our biggest Tigers Fan, Mrs Goodwin in our Support Faculty.

Mr S. Marcos
PDHPE Teacher

Bulldogs legend pays a visit to Granville South Creative & Performing Arts High School

On Thursday, November 6, Canterbury Bulldogs legend and all time NRL record point scorer, Hazem El Masri, visited Granville South Creative & Performing Arts High School together with a team of NRL staff to be our guest speaker at our Year 9 NRL harmony workshops where students learn about what it takes to dream, achieve and believe in yourself.

Hazem joined in Mrs Kontrafouris’ circus class learning some juggling skills as well as sticking around for lunch to sign autographs and challenge students in the famous school yard handball challenges. Hazem was impressed with the facilities at our school and thanked students and staff for inviting him.

Welcome Hazem and thanks for visiting!

Mr S. Marcos
PDHPE Teacher
Year 10 Visual Arts, Photography & Digital Media

Year 10 Visual Arts, Photography and Digital Media students went on an excursion to the Sydney College of the Arts. Students enjoyed a day out at the city, working with artists to create sculptures using clay.

Ms A. Husic
Visual Arts Teacher
On Friday 21st November Jacinta Abou-Hamad, David Latukefu and Aaron Macatangay attended the 2014 Halogen Young Leaders Conference at Sydney Sports Stadium, Sydney Olympic Park. The aim of the event is to inspire students to make a positive contribution to their school as well as to promote the values of effective leadership. Students had the opportunity to listen to the following speakers: Alex Malley (CEO CPA Australia), Lucy Thomas (Founder of project ROCKIT, Anti bullying educator), Mike Martin (Executive Director of the Halogen Foundation) and Jeremy Rolleston (Australian Olympic Bobsledder).

**SRC Report**

**Senior Leadership Group Report**

**Miss R. Rama**
Senior Leadership Group Coordinator

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**Administration News**

Thank you to those families who have sent in the “change of details” (pink) form. If you have not done so, the school requires the form to be returned whether there are any changes or not. This will ensure our records are correct. If no changes, simply mark on the top of the form “no changes”. It is essential, in the case of an emergency, that the school has up to date phone numbers, email addresses and a contact person. If you require another form, have your child collect one from the office.

A friendly reminder that outstanding subject fees should be paid this term. To assist families, payments may be made in instalments in A Block office, before school, recess or lunch. Thank you.

*Mrs S. Grinyer*
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**Upcoming School Calendar Dates**

- **Nov 28**  Sports Presentation Assembly
- **Dec 01**  Helmsman Project - Graduation and Presentation
- **Dec 03**  Year 7 Swim School (Pd 4-6)
- **Dec 10**  School Presentation Day
- **Dec 10**  Year 7 Swim School (Pd 4-6)
- **Dec 17**  Last Day of School 2014
Calendar Dates

- Sept 17: Year 12 Graduation Assembly
- Sept 18: Year 12 Formal
- Sept 22: School Holidays begin
- Oct 7: Term 4 begins

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