Term 4 has not slowed down for the Creative and Performing Arts faculty! Many of our performance students have been extremely busy over the past 2 weeks as part of Schools Spectacular 2014. Of particular mention are our three students who contributed to the performance:

Bethany Pike, Year 12. Featured Vocalist
Andre Ulawalu, Year 11. Hip Hop Dance
Joshua Kistan, Year 8. Marching Band

In addition to these performers, our VET Entertainment students, led by Mr Woollams, showed the backstage how its done. Six of our Year 11 Entertainment students attended including:

Amy Sousan
Joanne Arab
Martin Seiuli
Brandon Kellett
Hamzah Saraya
Ahmad Al Mansure

I hope everyone had the opportunity to watch the Channel 9 televised performance on Saturday November 29. This is yet another example of the success of our amazing students and their continual contribution to the CAPA programs at this school.

I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing holiday break,

Mrs L McKeown
CAPA Head Teacher
**English Report**

**English Studies Excursion**

The Year 11 English Studies class travelled into the city to the Powerhouse Museum as part of our English and the Sciences unit. In class we were looking at the effects of global warming on the Earth and went to the Powerhouse Museum to see their exhibition on the topic. It was interesting because they had an ‘Eco’ house – a house that was designed to be good for the environment. We went on a tour with a guy named Geromoia, who knew A LOT about global warming.

There was also a Wiggles exhibition on at the museum and we had lots more fun in there looking at Captain Feathersword’s ship, meeting Jeff and sitting in the Big Red Car. We had so much fun, it was scandalous!

Aaron Macatangay & Minoneti Langi  
Year 11 English Studies students

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**2014 Community Service Awards**

Congratulations to Jacinta Abou-Hamad who is the recipient of the prestigious 2014 Community Service Award. Jacinta was presented with this award at a ceremony hosted by Jason Clare, Member for Blaxland. Jacinta received this award in recognition of her contribution to the school community through service as a member of the Student Representative Council where she has demonstrated superior leadership skills, setting a positive example to other students.

Mr T Price  
Deputy Principal

**Dux 2014**

Congratulations to Ali Al-Modhefer, Dux of Year 12 2014. Ali was ranked first in Mathematics, Chemistry, Business Studies and Legal Studies. Ali worked hard to achieve these exceptional results and as a school we are incredibly proud of him. All the best to you Ali.

Miss C Lombardo  
Year 12 Adviser
Sport Report

Crossroads Program 2014

The NSW Government requires all Year 11 students to complete 25 hours of study through a program labeled Crossroads. At Granville South Creative & Performing Arts High School. This course of study is completed in Term 4 of Year 11. This year students participated in weekly seminars and group presentations, which focused on personal identity, road safety and drug education. The topics were discussed openly and with a desire to minimise potential harm through understanding the processes and consequences related to various behaviors.

Students participated in small group activities supervised by staff and delivered by educators from Granville Police, Holroyd Youth Community Centre, Motivational Media Organisation, Granville Multicultural Youth Centre, Wheelchair Sport NSW, Lemon Car Awareness Program and Trent Hodgkinson with the Bulldogs Party Safe Awareness Program.

The students demonstrated excellent maturity and enthusiasm throughout the program with many of the presenters commenting on their positive experiences with students during their time at the school.

Finally, I would like to thank all individuals involved in the crossroads program this year. It’s success would not have been possible without the assistance of all staff members and cooperation of students.

Mr J Garrido
PDHPE Teacher

Swim School 2014

Thanks once again to Mr Marcos for organising the annual Granville South Creative & Performing Arts High Swim School Program. This year saw 40 students in Year 7 participate in what has been a valuable prosperous program in recent years. With the help of this program, our School Swimming Carnival has more than doubled the number of competitors over recent years.

It is a vital program for our young children as it teaches not only the techniques and skills behind each stroke but also the survival skills required when swimming at the beach or in open water, rivers and lakes.

A special thanks must again also be made to Mr Brad Patterson, Managing Director of the Auburn Swimming Centre. Without his generosity and financial support, our students would not be able to participate in such a worthy, fun and rigorous program. We look forward to continuing our partnership into 2015.

Sports Presentation 2014

As we come to the end of yet another fantastic, exciting and fun filled year of sport, I would like to thank the Sports Organisers for 2014, Mrs Kontrafouris and Mr Marcos. What a great job they have done in organizing another year of jam packed events from our carnivals to an enormous range of knockout and Gala day sports for our students to participate in.

The Annual Sports Assembly was the culmination of the hard work, commitment and excellence demonstrated by our students in the park, in the pool and on the courts. Congratulations once again to all...
the award recipients as well as all other members making up the team and individual sports this year. It was a nice treat for our students to receive their awards from special guests such as Mr Corey Patterson (Ex-NRL player), Mr Brad Patterson (Managing Director of Auburn Swimming Centre), Miss Simaima Taufa (Former Granville South student and current Jillaroos member) and Mr Steve Merideth (Ex-NRL player). Thanks once again for making the effort to attend our Sports Presentation and for the inspiration you have provided our community.

I would like to thank the PDHPE staff: Mr Garrido, Mr Marcos, Mrs Kontrafouris, Miss Rama and Miss De Silva for their hard work in organizing and preparing for our school carnivals, knockout sports gala days and worthwhile excursions. These opportunities have great value, providing our students with the necessary skills and experiences to be able to successfully contribute to society.

Thank you also to Miss Tsaloukas, Mr Tsekas, Mr McLean and Miss Cameron for coaching sporting teams. Your help and assistance in providing these opportunities for our students is greatly appreciated.

It’s exciting to look forward to 2015 and see the potential for sporting opportunities expand. We will be re-introducing Grade and Recreational Sport for Year 7 and 8 which will provide for more engaging and competitive opportunities for our students. It will also see the introduction of boys and girls softball, table tennis, lawn bowls and tennis. A special mention must go to Auburn RSL for providing financial assistance in supporting the re-entry of the school into Grade Sport.

Well wishes to all for the festive season and New Year. I am looking forward to seeing more students participate and compete in 2015.

Mr L Farthing
PDHPE Head Teacher

FRENCH: le français

The theme in Term 4 has been “Sois Originale!” (Be Original!): expressing our creativity while learning all about French food, traditional French recipes and cooking, followed by lots of eating.

After working hard to prepare for the French Yearly Examinations, students of French formed groups to prepare for a French Masterchef Cooking Invention Test. Students used a French symbol to inspire the design of their original gaufres (waffle) dessert. Students should be congratulated on their teamwork and creating beautiful desserts that they seemed to enjoy eating.

S1 have been busy learning about French symbols, culture and traditional French cuisine, while expressing their creativity through a colouring in competition.

Madame O’Donoghue
French Teacher
Computer Skills Course

Granville South Creative & Performing Arts High School would like to congratulate our community parents on their graduation from the Computer Skills course.

This course had been running for 8 weeks at the school and the class has been taught by Adnan Alca from TAFE Outreach. Thank you Adnan for your time and for offering your expertise to us.

Our students for the future (the parents) have enjoyed the course and have gained valuable skills which will help them to access broader opportunities whether it is in study or employment.

Well done to you all! It is not always easy to find time for yourself when we are looking after children, running a household, looking after families and working, so I commend you all for your commitment.

Congratulations to you all on your graduation and I wish you all the best for your future endeavours and hope that we can continue to become a stronger group together.

May Jouni
Community Liaison Officer

Message from Deputy Principal

Thank you for the warm welcome to the school. Since I arrived here this term, it has been my pleasure to belong to our school. Throughout this term, I have built positive relationships at Granville South Creative & Performing Arts High School.

I look forward to working in partnerships with the community in 2015.

Have a great holiday!

Ms D Issa
Deputy Principal

Upcoming School Calendar Dates

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How your students and school can get involved in the future of Parramatta Road

As part of the display of the Parramatta Road Urban Renewal Program we have developed a website (www.newparramattard.com.au). We encourage the entire school to take part in the online survey.

We welcome your feedback on the Draft Parramatta Road Urban Renewal Strategy which is now on public display.

To find out more and register for updates on the project visit www.newparramattard.com.au or phone 1300 730 627.