Principal Messages

WEEK 3, TERM 4 2025

KEY DATES

- Year 12 External Exams commence Monday 27th October
- Sports Awards Presentation Monday 17th Nov
- VPSHS Awards Night @ RPAC Tuesday 18th Nov
- Year 12 Formal Wednesday 19th Nov
- Year 12 Graduation Friday 21st Nov
- Year 10 and 11 Final Day Friday 28th Nov
- Year 7 9 Rewards Day Wednesday 10th Dec
- Year 7 9 Final Day Friday 12th Dec

Celebration Term

Welcome back to the final term of the year and one where we see the culmination of our student efforts across the year. Last week melodies and masterpieces were held and to a packed crowd no less! As always our budding artists and musicians showcased their amazing talents and I thank our Arts teachers for their dedication and commitment to prepare our students.

Each term the secondary school Principals across Metropolitan South meet with our regional director. This week our Year 8 students Kai and Gulkah were invited to share their acknowldgement of country to open this meeting. It is no easy task speaking in front of a room full of Principals however they did so with confidence and eagerness to share their stories. I was extremely proud of them and acknowledge our wonderful Aunty Robyn for the impact she has working with our First Nation students.

Today marks the final 'regular' school day for our Year 12 cohort. I know there will be many mixed emotions not only for our students but for our families. It takes a village to raise a child and we can be very proud of the way our students have organised and prepared themselves to complete their final studies. The next few weeks will be a little nerve wracking with external exams but we have every confidence in them.

School Opinion Survey

Our 2026 school opinion survey results have been released and I wish to acknowledge every student, parent and staff member that provided feedback. This information is one piece that helps us to navigate our school direction. I am extremely proud of our results this year with big improvements in student voice acknowledging the way we are listening to our students, the work we are doing around teaching and learning, and improving student engagement through our work on belonging. The summary of results will be published to the school website in the next 2 weeks.

International School visits

This week we had our final International school visit for 2025. We welcomed Fukui Hoshi High School from Japan. These opportunities provide our students with global connections and our students do an outstanding job at hosting. From cooking Anzac biscuits to learning an Indigenous dance, our International program provides a range of memories for our visiting students.

Leave Passes

There are an increasing amount of leave pass requests occurring each day. Often these are requested at very short notice, sometimes with an expectation that students are released immediately. This can be very difficult to do in a school of our size so we appreciate families giving appropriate notice of upcoming absences. Our front office staff are responsible for a range of roles that help the functioning of our school and we thank our families for working with us on this issue. All students are required to be present during school hours and we appreciate appointments being made outside of these hours where possible.

QParents

Majority of families have set up their QParents accounts - thank you. This will be the format for permissions and invoicing from 2026. We will be trialling QParents to gain parental permission and invoicing for the end of year Rewards trip occurring in week 10 for eligible students. If you have not yet set up your account please do so in the next couple of weeks as Rewards Day invitations will be sent out shortly.

If you need assistance in setting up your account please contact the school via email or visit our friendly front office staff in business hours.

Uniform

We have almost completed our transition year to the new day uniform. A reminder that the teal sports uniform will not be part of the school uniform from 2026. Please visit the uniform shop to purchase the navy day uniforms. Students will still be required to wear the formal uniform on Mondays in its entirety and be worn correctly. There is an increase in the number of jewellery items that are being worn to school. Excess items should be kept at home.

BYOD

Each year we are reviewing our processes on daily and long term loan devices where student devices may require repair. This loan service ensures our students can still access their resources while the repair is occurring. From 2026 we will be implementing shorter borrowing cycles. This enables our loan devices to be more readily available across the school. We appreciate the priority families place on getting devices repaired quickly.

The next few weeks will be extremely busy with external exams commencing for our Year 12 cohort and the various celebratory events occurring in week 7. I am very much looking forward to seeing our students recognised for their hard work across the year and sharing this with our community. I wish our Year 12's all the very best over the next 4 weeks.

Yours in Education,

Susan Taylor

Proud Principal of Victoria Point SHS