From the Principal

Welcome back to 2013. A special welcome is extended to the new Year 7 students as well as those in Years 8 to 12. It is very pleasing to see a smooth start to the new school year with students and staff eager to commence their studies.

I am happy to have been selected as Principal of Tempe High School. I look forward to building on the finework that John Fairburn has done. I have inherited a well managed school that has excellent staff, a fine student body and supportive parents. I am excited about the future and look forward to leading the school to even more success.

This year we have 920 students enrolled with 64 teaching staff and 12 Administration staff. Our new staff are:

- Mr A Murphy (Science HT)
- Mr B Webb (Science)
- Mr D Barrett (Music, Thurs)
- Ms S Gerges (Maths)
- Ms R Maynell (SASS, Science)

Ms Evangelinos is Acting Deputy Principal

Ms Palmer is Relieving Head Teacher CAPA until the Deputy Principal position is filled in the coming weeks.

Excellent HSC results

Our 2012 HSC results were the best ever with 76 results over 90% in individual subjects and 347 results over 80%. Even more pleasing was the overall growth that students showed in comparison to their year 10 results, which was well above the state average at all ability levels. More details will be available when our annual school report is published in June, but we are all proud of the excellent efforts of students, staff and parents that worked together to produce such a fine group of graduates.

Anaphylaxis update

All our staff have been trained in procedures to cater for students who are potentially at risk of Anaphylaxis, a life threatening reaction to allergens. Ms White will be contacting the parents of students with severe allergies to ensure that action plans are up to date.

Mr S Dassaklis

The Welfare Team 2013

A team of qualified and caring staff are available to assist our students and parents with any matters affecting students’ well being. The team is:

- Head Teacher Welfare - Ms A White
- School Counsellor - Ms W Griffiths
- Aboriginal Community Officer - Aunty Carol Timbery
- Overseas Students Community Officer - Ms L Sun
- South Pacific Community Officer - Mr P Morgan

Year Advisors

Year 7 - Ms K O’Brien
Year 8 - Ms P Bayliss, Ms D Palmer
Year 9 - Ms C Tang
Year 10 - Mr S Bird
Year 11 - Mr C Newton
Year 12 - Mr H Jackson

The full staff list is on the school website.

If a student issue relates to a curriculum matter i.e. assessment, homework, learning, teaching, then you should contact the Head Teacher (H.T.) of that curriculum area.
Head Teachers

- **English**: Ms G Di Ramio
- **Maths**: Mr S Gouzoulis
- **Science**: Mr A Murphy
- **HSIE**: Ms J Plioplis
- **PDHPE**: Ms K Babington (Mon, Tue, Fri), Mr S Bird (Wed, Thu)
- **Sport**: Mr J Hartley
- **Creative & Performing Arts (CAPA)**: Ms D Palmer (Relieving)
- **Technology & Applied Studies (TAS)**: Mr P Shaw
- **Languages Other than English (LOTE)**: Mr P Shaw
- **Head Teacher Teaching & Learning**: Ms J Duncan
- **Administration**: Ms J Trotter
- **Welfare**: Ms A White

The Deputy Principals (DPs) organise their roles and responsibilities around 3 year groups

- **Years 7, 9, 11**: Ms J Evangelinos
- **Years 8, 10, 12**: Ms M Fountoulis

Deputies Report

**Welcome back to 2013**

**Ms Evangelinos Acting DP (Year 7, 9, 11)**

**Ms Fountoulis DP (Year 8, 10, 12)**

Pleasing that all students have started on a positive note and uniforms are fantastic and attendance is exemplary. Year 7 have continued with the Peer Support Program & have settled into High School. Year 7 Peer Support Camp is coming up week 6 and we look forward to all students attending.

Year 9 & 10 are working towards their RoSA certification in their individual study patterns. Year 9 will be given an opportunity to change their electives Week 3 only.

Years 11 & 12 are focusing on their studies for the HSC. Year 12 study pathways are set, with Extension and double Extension classes running smoothly. Year 11 students will have the opportunity to make adjustments to their study pattern this week (Week 3). Please note that classes are full and movement is limited.

Due to comprehensive subject choice and resource restrictions several classes are run off the timetable.

- **Period 0 – 8am start**
- **Period 7 - 3.08pm start**

Make a note in your Diary that NAPLAN testing for Years 7 & 9 will take place 14, 15, 16 May 2013.

We are available at any time during schools hours to assist you with student wellbeing.

To contact a teacher you can email the school on tempe-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Please put ATT. (Attention) and then the teacher’s name in the subject box. You may also phone the school on 9558 2023
ECO-URBIA
Eco-Urbia is a sustainability design competition for teams of talented Year 10 students. Teams re-design an area of urban space to increase public engagement in sustainability issues in urban areas. Design teams of 3-4 students use the skills of their team members (including ICT, Science, Design & Technology, Mathematics and Geography), to devise a name, design concept and plan for this public space (Observatory Hill EEC).

Two teams, from Tempe High School participated in November, 2012, chosen because of their interest and ability in Geography, as well as their skills in the other abovementioned subjects. They were supervised and encouraged by Ms Rumble from the CAPA faculty.

Congratulations to our eight participants on a wonderful effort: Yi Fan Shen, Stephen Canh, Miranda Wang, Keith Nguyen, Andy Nguyen, Normandy Ramos Maghacut, Simon Tran and Monica Le the last four being the winning team!

Mrs Plioplis, head teacher HSIE

Here is Yi Fan Shen's article describing the experience, plus some other information about the project:

A PLAN FOR MORE SUSTAINABLE LIVING
5 December 2012

On 15 November, a group of students were chosen to enter the Eco-Urbia Competition for sustainable living held at Sydney Observatory Hill. The Program started approximately 8.30am. We were given an introduction about the program and the purpose of it. Each group was given a specific place for the project and the places were A, B and C. Our group had Area C which is a small piece of land with an area of approximately 700m² and is located near a residential area which is located in Pottinger Park East.

As soon as we arrived at the place, we went around the area and made a S.W.O.T. analysis. Some of the threats we pointed out for our place include the experience of noise pollution due to the fact that there is a busy traffic beneath which may stop people visiting the place and the fact that there is a traffic road nearby the place which implies some potential risks to children.

After making the S.W.O.T. analysis and observing the area, we went back to the Observatory Hill Environmental Education Centre and immediately started building our models for our plan for the place. We came up with a plan called Pottinger-East family recreational park. We decided to build some solar lights around the area because the area is well exposed to the sun. The power of the light will come from the energy of the sun. We also decided to create some garden beds with native plants in order to promote biodiversity. Finally, we also decided to build a BBQ area which is powered by solar panels and also some water tanks to reduce the number of plastic bottles. It took us roughly 3 hours to create our models using the materials given.

At 1.30pm, we were told to stop working and were informed about the arrival of judges to decide the winning teams.

We sat down and enjoyed other groups’ presentations. Every group’s work was amazing with unique ideas. The plans which I found most amusing were the idea of building a fitness centre in Area B which converts human fat into electricity and also building a globe which aims to promote sustainable living through entertainment.

Soon it was our team’s turn. We presented our PowerPoint and also our models. We explained our plans and how our models work. Unfortunately, our group forgot to explain how these facilities will encourage people to live a sustainable life.

The winner of the competition was from the other team from our school and we were extremely proud of their efforts.

Overall, we thought it was a great opportunity for us to apply our knowledge to real life and apply it to create a better and a greener world.

P.S. I think a sustainable future is up to the actions and responsibility of every active citizen!

Yi Fan Shen – 10Y
SPORT INFORMATION

Year 7 & 8 Sport

Congratulations to all year 7 and 8 students for their fantastic cooperation with commencing the summer season and its entire organisation. Further congratulations must go to the students who have been selected for Tempe’s grade teams! The summer season teams are as follows:

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The competition starts on Tuesday 19th February. Good luck to all teams!

Also Recreational sports commence on Tuesday 12th February. Reminders to those who are participating, there are some costs involved. These are as follows:

- Swimming: $6 per week
- Tennis: $5 per week
- Rec. Basketball coaching clinic: $4 per week

Swimming Carnival
The 2013 swimming carnival will be held at Bexley Pool on Thursday 21st February. It is a compulsory day with both competitive and novelty events scheduled. The cost of the day is $6 per student. Looking forward to another great carnival!

CHS Knockout
Students are reminded that it is a busy time for knockout sports with trials and round one of various sports commencing very soon. Senior students interested in representing the school in basketball, volleyball, soccer, rugby league, cricket, softball, netball, touch and hockey it is strongly advised that you see the PE staff ASAP!

Mr J Hartley—Sports Organiser

SCIENCE

The 37th Professor Harry Messel International Science School

The ISS2013: NanoScience International Science School is a two week experience where students live on the University Of Sydney Campus with 145 outstanding students from all over the world. This experience is run every two years and is open to Year 11 and 12 Science Students.

The 37th Professor Harry Messel International Science School (ISS2013) will be run from June 30th to July 13th 2013. The ISS2013 Nanoscience: Small Wonders, Big Future will bring together top international and Australian nanoscience experts - along with leaders from the breadth of science, including keynote speaker and Nobel prize-winning cosmologist Professor Brian Schmidt.

About the program
During the two-week program, students take part in a variety of science activities to help them discover and realise their scientific potential.

Talks and interactive workshops run by leading scientists challenge and expose students to new ideas. Students enter the world of thriving science laboratories and participate in hands-on experiments.

A dynamic social program provides opportunities to develop new friendships with students from around the world, and to get to know the University and the wonderful city of Sydney.

Students live on campus throughout the ISS at one of the university residences, and have access to the University’s gym, pool and library.

If you would like further information on this opportunity could students please come to the Science Faculty to speak with Mr Murphy. Please bring your laptop so that relevant pages can be bookmarked for further research.

Mr A Murphy, Head Teacher Science
For many years Tempe High School students have taken part in the Links to Learning Program, run by youth workers based at Marrickville Youth Resource Centre. In 2012 the format changed to accommodate Year 10 students in Semester 1, and Year 9 students in Semester 2.

Students enjoyed a variety of activities, including discussions about relationship and work issues, excursions to an outdoor challenge venue, the Jewish museum and help with homework and writing a resume. Students also had opportunities to do work placement and to do a one-day Barista course.

Last year’s groups, particularly the Year 9 students, gained skills and confidence, and regretted that they could only participate once.

Interviews will take place in Week 3 for Year 9 students who will make up the twelve participants for Semester 1, 2013. Activities will run on Tuesdays during the Links to Learning programs.

Mrs M Phillips, Coordinator at Tempe High School
P & C Upcoming Movie Night

Good news everyone - the movie night showing "The Sapphires" will be held Friday 22 March 2013. We are aiming to have the movie on the grass area outside the canteen (if it rains - in the hall). David Neil Managing Director of Show Support and a dad at our school is providing the screen, sound and projector for us at no charge so we very much appreciate that.

**Time:** 3:00pm for 7:30pm start

- Sausage sizzle, cake stall, drinks for sale
- Easter raffle - we will ask students to bring in Easter eggs and sell raffle tickets on the night

**Cost:**
- $5 student
- $10 adult
- $20 family - tickets for sale on the night

BYO picnic rugs, low chairs, bean bags

A flyer will be sent home soon!
TRAFFIC OFFENCES

Reminder to take care when dropping off and picking up students around our school
SECOND HAND UNIFORMS SHOP

Monday 4 February 2013

There are not enough donations currently to operate the shop. We need clean preloved items. They can be left at the front office with Ms Wendy Greene

OUR FIRST P&C MEETING of 2013 will be held 12 February at 7pm in the Library. This months topic Welcome to Year 7 parents. All welcome to attend, great way of keeping in touch with events at school and we welcome your input and ideas