



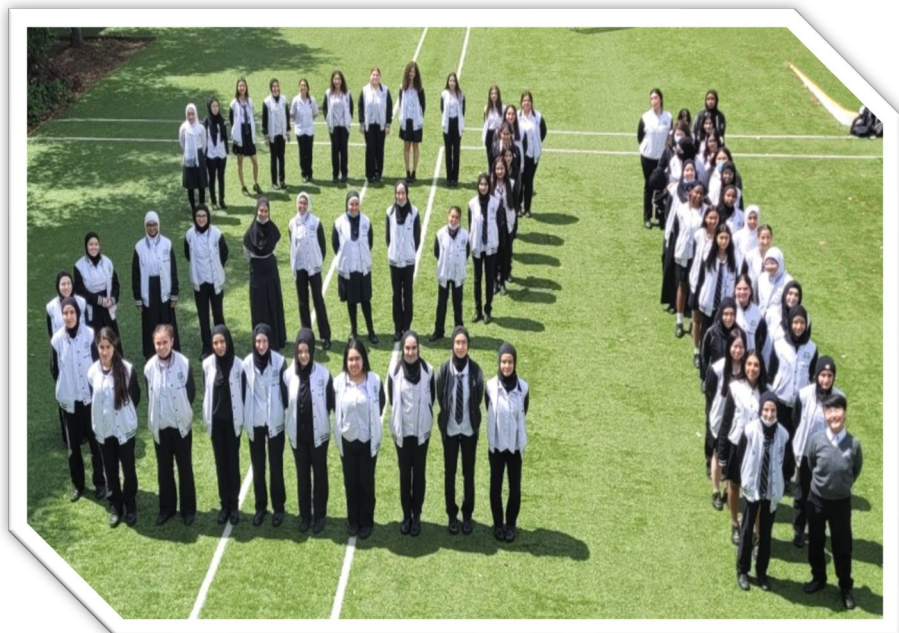
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HIGH SCHOOL

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

Farewell Year 12



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Principal's Report

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Return to School and Face-to-Face Learning

We are very excited that all students and staff have safely returned and settled back into the routine of face-to-face learning at school, after what has been an extended period of remote learning from home. It has been heart-warming to see the huge smiles on the girls' faces as they walk through the school gates.

The best place for learning for our girls is at school, in classrooms where they are supported by their teachers, working side by side with their peers in a happy, positive and productive learning environment.



With our return to face-to-face learning, our Staff worked incredibly hard to prepare and ensure the school was safe and ready for our students to return. I would like to thank our amazing team of teachers and administrative staff who have worked to ensure a seamless transition back to school. A huge thank you to our Deputy Principals, Ms Diamond, Ms Minogue and Ms Kaidbay for their work with their year groups and Ms Garvey, HT Administration who manages daily operations. Our Year Advisors have also been an amazing support for students, thank you. To Ms Diamond, Ms Heemi and Ms Young a huge thank you for ensuring that our Year 12 girls could safely return for vital HSC revision and the opportunity to experience their highly anticipated and well-deserved graduation and formal.

As you know, during November, our school experienced two incidences where we have been nonoperational due to being notified by the NSW Department of Health and the Department of Education of positive student covid cases. I must thank our parents, students and community for their patience and support while we have worked with the Department to undertake all the necessary contact tracing, communication and cleaning measures required to make our school safe for everyone's return. Contact tracing and communication is a huge but necessary job during nonoperational incidences. A huge thank you must go to Mrs Yavuzcehre, our Senior Administration Manager and her dedicated team of Administration staff as well as our Deputy Principals Ms Diamond, Ms Minogue and Ms Kaidbay as well as Ms Garvey, HT Administration for their work.

Please know that the messages and communication you receive from me or the school regarding nonoperation issues are sent to you immediately as they are forwarded to me.

Year 7- 11 Presentation Day Ceremonies

The current COVID-safe Department requirements in place for Term 4 make it impossible to host a whole school Presentation Day Ceremony off site at an external venue. Similar to last year, we will be hosting individual year group ceremonies in our school hall to acknowledge and celebrate our students' achievements during 2021. Unfortunately, once again parents and carers will be unable to attend due to the square metre guidelines within the COVID-Safe Plan. Students will have normal lessons on the other periods of the day when they are not attending their year group's Presentation Day Ceremony.

Presentation Day Ceremonies:

- Year 11 Wednesday 8 December
- Years 7 & 8 Thursday 9 December
- Years 9 & 10 Friday 10 December

My gratitude to our Deputy Principals and Year Advisers for coordinating these highly anticipated school events.

I know we all look forward to 2022 where hopefully, as a school community we can attend in person and join together to celebrate these milestones events at our usual C3 Function Centre.

Key Dates for 2022

Friday 28th January – School Development Day 1 for Staff

Monday 31st January – School Development Day 2 for Staff

Tuesday 1st February -- Year 7 first day of high school

Tuesday 1st February – Years 11 & 12 return to school

Wednesday 2nd February – Years 8, 9 & 10 return to school

Year 7 students will assemble in the school hall at 8.45am

All students in Years 8-12 will assemble at the start of Period 1 (8.45am) each day for a welcome back assembly, followed by a meeting with their Deputy Principal and Year Advisors.

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Thursday 16th December 2021 – last day for students

Friday 17th December – last day for office staff

School closed as of Monday 20th December 2021



2021 Closing

This is our final Newsletter for the 2021 year. It has been an incredibly challenging year for our whole community but especially our Year 12 HSC cohort. Words cannot express how incredibly proud I am of our Year 12 girls. They have shown incredible courage, perseverance and resilience in the face of unprecedented, everchanging and confronting scenarios while navigating HSC Assessments and preparing for their HSC exams. Kudos to you my lovely girls, you are worthy role models to our younger students as strong, confident and proud young women ready to make their mark in society.

I would like to express my gratitude to our whole staff for their amazing teamwork ensuring that our girls' learning and wellbeing needs were met with caring, kindness and compassion. I must thank our teachers for the seamless adaptation from face-to-face teaching to online teaching and then back to face to face teaching again in 2021. To our students thank you for your cooperation, hard work and patience during 2021. To our parents and carers, I am eternally grateful for the trust you place in our school and thank you for your patience and support throughout 2021.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe and happy Christmas break. I look forward to seeing you all back in 2022.

Anna Tsoutsas
Principal



Deputy Principal's Report – Years 7 and 9

This year has been a complex and challenging year for many. Year 7 have settled into high school well and have shown impressive progress despite a significant portion of the year taking a more self-directed approach. Year 9 have also shown promise engaging with Learning from Home with genuine enthusiasm and engagement. Hopefully, the skills that the girls have developed this year will help them be productive and successful learners for the years to come.

It is with great pleasure that I can share the academic award recipients for each year group who were formally recognised at the Presentation Day Assemblies in Week 10.

Award	Year 7	Year 9
Academic Excellence	Amara Alameddine Ecrin Caglayan Ruth Kebede Jaydhra Kodarusman Israa Mohammad Tayyaba Qamar Daniella Ronquillo Yuthika Seelam Pragnya Sharavan Sumayya Syed	Najiya Afnan Sarah Chaudhary Stella Chow Rahimeen Durrani Sirat Fatima Huda Faheem Maryam Hadi Maria Hidari Adeena Khan Zoya Mukhi
Academic Diligence	Kawthar Al Khazaaly Sarah Al Tmimi Jasmina Elbaoumy Wendy Huang Ilayda Karadas Rumaysa Mamdani Tamana Naim Fasiha Poya Hala Awwad Bibi Syed Nadir Dua Zeeshan	Yasameen Alizada Susan Asra Serene El Chami Riyana Kumar Aysha Malik Asna Mohammed Simran Najafi Mariam Said Ameline Wong Mahsheed Zahra
Year Adviser Award	Jaydhra Kodarusman	Bibi Nargis Karami

As we look towards 2022, it's important to recognise the challenges that are before our students. Year 7 will progress to Year 8 where they will undertake new subjects of Languages and Visual Arts. While Year 9 will move towards completing the Year 10 component of their Record of School Achievement (RoSA) and will also be required to demonstrate their literacy and numeracy skills through the Minimum Standards testing. It is going to be an exciting year for all of our students.

Finally, I would like to thank our community for the way that they have supported the school and their daughter's this year and wish everyone a safe and relaxing summer break. Merry Christmas and see you all in the new year.

Julia Garvey
Relieving Deputy Principal
Years 7 and 9

Deputy Principal's Report – Years 10 and 11

2021 has presented several challenges that required student and staff strength and commitment to persevere and succeed. Congratulations to all the Year 10 and Year 11 students who completed their ROSA and are progressing onto the next phase of their learning. Further commendations to all students who are transitioning into TAFE and employment and have demonstrated personal leadership in making some brave decisions about their future.

Year 10 students have chosen their senior courses and are going into a stage of learning where they have complete choice about the subjects, they will study in the next two years. The transition into senior years can be a challenging adjustment for many students; therefore, it is important to develop effective learning habits and study routines early on. Be sure to invest in building positive and constructive relationships with your peers and teachers. Each of these actions will promote a successful senior school experience and help you develop skills to become healthy, responsible, and empowered young women.

A big congratulations to the following award recipients.

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
Alice Chan	Academic Achievement
Kelly He	Academic Achievement
Humayra Iram	Academic Achievement
Shirley Tak Yee Lo	Academic Achievement
Deborah Oo	Academic Achievement
Tasnim Sarah	Academic Achievement
Hua Shao Li	Academic Achievement
Layla Chahrouk	Academic Achievement
Jana Kassem	Academic Achievement
Aysha Obeid	Academic Achievement
Umaiza Ali	Academic Diligence
Areeba Haq	Academic Diligence
Yashoda Sharma	Academic Diligence
Annisa Elcheik	Academic Diligence
Alishba Khan	Academic Diligence
Melis Yalcin	Academic Diligence
Mariam Moussa	Academic Diligence
Sadiqa Hussaini	Academic Diligence
Tamana Rezai	Academic Diligence
Sarah Ayoub	Academic Diligence
Leanne El-Kheir	Academic Diligence
Areebah Haq	SRC Service Award
Yashoda Sharma.	Year Adviser Award

Year 11 students have now begun their HSC coursework. Many teachers have provided positive feedback this term about student attitude, focus and commitment to learning. Remember that learning involves sustained effort and resilience particularly when confronted with challenges. Measure your success incrementally along the way and be kind and patient with yourselves as you encounter new learning opportunities and/or obstacles in your final HSC year. Congratulations to the following students:

<u>Subject</u>	<u>1st place</u>	<u>2nd place</u>
PDHPE	Aaliyah Ajaj	Ramsha Siddiqi
Business Studies	Amal Khan	Iram Bookbinder
Economics	Amal Khan	Iram Bookbinder
Mathematics Standard	Amira Eid	Zahraa Hammoud
Drama	Asmaa Ayouch	Layal Charif
Arabic Continuers	Badia Baghdadi	Layan Elsaidy
Information Processes & Technology	Badia Baghdadi and Iffat Fatema Chaudhari (Equal First)	
Hospitality (Food and Beverage)	Cristina Kadel	Dehlia Kawlita
English EALD	Deeba Batool	Cristina Kadel
Dance	Dehlia Kawlita	Dia Chaker
English Standard	Yemen Agha and Layal Charif (Equal First)	
Visual Design	Fatima Sohrabi	Zahra Khavari
Studies of Religion	Hafsa Farooq	Laiba Hanif
English Advanced	Hafsa Farooq	Roba Goreishi
English Extension 1	Hafsa Farooq	Roba Goreishi
Modern History	Hafsa Farooq/Roba Goreishi	Aaliya Ajaj/Nabeeha Ikram
Music	Helen Mi	Cecilia Do
Community and Family Studies	Khadija Zeidan and Grace Lahtaw (Equal first)	
Ancient History	Khadjah Zeidan	Marwah Tarveer
Chemistry	Kylie Le	Cecilia Do
Engineering Studies	Kylie Le	Sharifa Husna
Business Services	Laiba Hanif	Omulbanin Kazemi
Textiles	Marwah Tarveer	Roase Alameddine
Work Studies	Maryam Ibrahim	Lana Sbeti
Sport, Lifestyle and Recreation	Nidaa Ghantous	Aleyna Agi
Biology	Ramsha Siddiqi	Nabeeha Ikram
Mathematics Extension 1	Roba Goreishi	Amal Khan
Accelerated Chem	Roba Goreishi	Hafsa Farooq
Mathematics Advanced	Roba Goreishi	Kylie Le
Exploring Early Childhood	Sajaj Kamededdine and Qamar Alameddine (Equal First)	
Ceramics	Sarah Corany	Fatima Nabizadah
Society and Culture	Sarah Taher	Laiba Hanif
Physics	Sharifa Husna	Kylie Le
Visual Art	Sharona Ta	Yumi Cailloce
English Studies	Te Rewa Ahlers	Sajah Kamededdine
Hospitality (Kitchen Operations)	Valerie Bailey	Amira Eid
Legal Studies	Zahraa Hammoud	Grace Lahtaw

As we move into the school holidays, I encourage all year 10 and 11 students to remember that balance is essential for success. Start these holidays by being active and finding activities that are an outlet to maintain clarity and help you make discerning choices that support your future goals. When you return to school in 2022, be ready to embrace a myriad of challenges with enthusiasm and curiosity.

Well, done to all our ROSA grade students! You have made my introduction to Auburn Girls High School a positive experience and I look forward to working with you in 2022. Until then, have a safe, fun and well-deserved holiday!

Ms Kaidbay
Deputy Principal, Years 10 and 11

Deputy Principal's Report - Years 8 and 12

In the blink of an eye, the end of term 4 has arrived. 2021 has truly tested the best of us let alone the Year 12 2021 cohort. This amazing cohort deserve a heartfelt congratulations and appreciation for their hard work and success in completing the Higher School Certificate. I hope that each and every one of our Year 12 students achieves the results that they worked so hard for and best wishes for their next adventure.

Due to COVID-19 the Year 12 Graduation was held in week 10 this term after the Higher School Certificate Examinations and although parents did not attend the event itself it was truly beautiful and highlighted the unique characteristics of the students of Year 12 2021. The much-anticipated Year 12 Formal will be held on the last night of this term. I know that this special event will be a fabulous night of celebrating 13 years of schooling.

Year 8 students have just successfully completed the Stage 4 syllabus and will be entering an exciting part of their learning next year, Stage 5 where they study elective subjects they have personally chosen. It was wonderful seeing the prize winners being awarded for their diligence, self-discipline to learn especially during online learning and positive attitude at the Year 8 Presentation Day.

A big congratulations to the following award recipients:

<u>Student Name</u>	<u>Title</u>
Hiba Affan	Academic Achievement
Omaima Noor	Academic Achievement
Sameera Ali	Academic Achievement
Jahnavi Gadale	Academic Achievement
Manahil Ikram	Academic Achievement
Zaynab Naim	Academic Achievement
Fatima Banu	Academic Achievement
Bo-Hae Nguyen	Academic Achievement
Dorothy Zhang	Academic Achievement
Tsawm Tsawm Maran	Academic Achievement
Jeanny Vo	Academic Diligence
Bella Guan	Academic Diligence
Leda Guan	Academic Diligence
Zahra Naim	Academic Diligence
Sara Moqaddas Zada	Academic Diligence
Samantha Chow	Academic Diligence
Saba Kauser	Academic Diligence
Efthimia Kapetangiannis	Academic Diligence
Erica Tamang	Academic Diligence
Dania Ghuneim	Academic Diligence
Ayse Savrin	Academic Diligence
Tsawm Tsawm Maran	SRC Service Award
Leda Guan	Year Adviser Award

It has also been a busy term as the new 2022 Senior Leadership Team and SRC was elected. I would also like to extend my congratulations to all the senior students who took part in the leadership speeches. The confidence of the speakers and the quality of all the speeches is a true testament on how exceptional these young women are.

Congratulations to the following students:



I know that this team have the qualities of working collaboratively together with clear vision, integrity, school pride and will make us proud. Their official induction will be postponed to early next year.

Lastly, I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Young and Ms Ghemraoui. They have been absolutely fantastic Year Advisers to Years 12 and 8 respectively. Always putting the wellbeing of their year cohort first.

A big thank you to the Wellbeing Team, Ms Heemi and all staff involved in educating and caring for my year groups. The year groups are truly lucky to have such a compassionate team looking after them.

Finally, I wish you all a very peaceful, relaxing, and safe break. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Belinda Diamond
Deputy Principal,
Year 8 and 12



July 2021

Hafsa Farooq, Year 11 has displayed a positive attitude towards her studies and has excelled in every subject. She is highly praised by her teachers for being a dedicated and hardworking student. She has shown maturity when interacting with both her peers and teachers. Hafsa was a key contributor to the Auburn Girls High School Debating team and helped her team reach the semi-finals.

We are proud of Hafsa's achievements and would like to congratulate her for achieving student of the month for July.

August 2021

Fabiha Iram, Year 10 has been a consistently good student all year. She continued her diligent and conscientious approach to learning throughout Learning from Home. She submitted all required tasks, with many of her teachers commenting on the high quality of her responses. Fabiha is also an active member of the SRC. She participates in School Debating, including attending after school training sessions.

Fabiha is an asset to Auburn Girls High School, she is to be congratulated on achieving student of the month for August.

September 2021

Susan Azra, Year 9 is a conscientious and highly determined student who strives to achieve excellence in all key learning areas. Her mature approach and ability to work independently, as well as leading group tasks is most impressive. During the online learning period Susan managed to excel, consistently remaining on top of all her learning.

Susan shows kindness towards both staff and students, always offering to help others. She is to be congratulated on achieving student of the month for September.



October 2021

Jeanny Vo, Year 8 is an enthusiastic, all-round student and leader who is always willing to help others. Jeanny takes pride in her work, consistently completing all set tasks and assessments to a high standard. She is willing to go the extra mile and complete optional activities such as the Choice Matrix and she always demonstrates exceptional skills and teamwork in a range of sports. Jeanny is truly a representative of the school's motto "Learn, Lead, Succeed". She is to be congratulated on achieving student of the month for October.

November 2021

Jaydhra Kodarusman, Year 7 has been selected as our student of the month due to her positive and proactive attitude she displays in all she engages with. Whether it be remote learning, the Year 7 Fundraiser, or the School Representative Council School Spirit Week. In her Primary School she was a SRC and Prefect and these leadership qualities she demonstrates in our SRC as she works collaboratively with her peers to initiate, organise, and implement fun activities such as those during the School Spirit Week in Term 2. Her passions are to raise awareness of poverty within society and to meet these challenges by advocating for equality and equity through social justice campaigns she hopes to be involved with in the future. Jaydhra loves to socialise, meet new people, and involve herself in multiple activities to extend her learning. Her enthusiasm and **role model behaviour** is acknowledged by both teachers and peers alike, thus she encapsulates the qualities of our school- Learn, Lead and Succeed.

Library

2021 has been another unusual year full of surprise changes, learning and discoveries for us all. At times it has felt a bit like a novel or a movie of some genre (choice of genre depends on your experience!). However, AGHS students have shown their strength and resilience throughout.

Huge congratulations to all those students who read through this bumpy year and completed the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge. They all won a Principal's Gold Award, a PRC certificate and 100 points for their house. Our end of year celebration for them has been postponed to a time when we can have incursions again. We look forward to that time!

Congratulations, too, to all the students who created posters for the Book Week competition in Term 3. All students submitted very creative photos and we thank you all for your inspiring ideas about reading.

The prize winners were:

- 1st Daniella Ronquillo (7S)
- 2nd Medina Yaghi (7W)
- 3rd Jaydra Kodurusman (7S)



NSW Department of Education
2021 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge
Start reading now!

Key dates for students in K-10:
Challenge opens Monday March 1
Challenge closes for student entries Friday August 20
Artwork by Dr Bronwyn Bancroft

www.premiersreadingchallenge.nsw.edu.au



New Resources:

We have a new resource for students in our library catalogue *Oliver*, which you can log into via your student portal from home and at school. It is called **LearnPath** and it is available in the 'News' tab which can be found on the grey strip along the top of the catalogue. There are research links and videos for each year group, as well as information about books and authors, study skills and health and wellbeing. More information will be added to LearnPath over time. I hope all students will explore this because it will help you with your studies.

Please find time to read these holidays because research shows that reading not only helps you improve your literacy skills and knowledge, it also helps calm and inspire too. Remember you can borrow ebooks through our *Oliver* catalogue in your student portal. You can also join any public library in Sydney or the State Library NSW online and borrow ebooks from there. Also, you can watch movies through *Oliver* by going to the *News* tab at the top and finding the TV4Education link. Another idea is to watch some author interviews at the NSW Department of Education's following link and find some inspiration for writing too:

<https://digital.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/premiers-reading-challenges/author-videos/2021>

Happy holidays everyone and happy reading, watching or writing!

Ms Park
Librarian

IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 4 / 2021

WEEK 11

16 December 2021

Last day for students

17 December 2021

Last day for staff

TERM 1 / 2022

WEEK 1

28 January 2022

Staff Development Day 1

WEEK 2

31 January 2022

Staff Development Day 2

1 February 2022

Years 7, 11 & 12 return

2 February 2022

Years 8, 9 & 10 return

WEEK 5

23 February 2022

Year 7 Parent Information Afternoon via Zoom (TBC)

P&C Meeting (TBC)

25 February 2022

Swimming Carnival

WEEK 7

8 March 2022

International Woman's Day

9 March 2022

Zone Swimming Carnival

WEEK 9

21 March 2022

Harmony Day

WEEK 10

30 March 2022

P&C Meeting (TBC)

8 April 2022

Last day of Term 1

Languages

This semester, Year 8 have learned about a variety of culturally important events related to their language of study. This included festivals, foods, shopping experiences as well as cultural landmarks and country specific interests such as Manga (Japanese) and K'Pop (Korean).

Year 10 Arabic have looked at the World of Work and have practiced writing resumes and completing job interviews in Arabic.

Julia Garvey
Head Teacher Admin/LOTE



Here are some snapshots of impressive Year 8 Arabic Menus.



Mathematics Faculty

Mathematics Accelerated Class



Congratulations to the following Year 7 students pictured above, Daniella Ronquillo, Atkia Fatiha, Amy Xian, Pragnya Sharavan Kumar, Jaydhra Kodarusman, Vrunda Chetankumar Patel, Ruth Kebede, Daphne Wu and Tiene Bgyuen Le for showing consistent outstanding effort and understanding in Mathematics this year.

These students have been selected through a rigorous selection process and have been offered the opportunity to be in the Mathematics Accelerated class for 2022.

I would also like to acknowledge the outstanding efforts of students in the year 8 and 9 Mathematics Accelerated classes:

Wishing all our students and school community a restful, safe, and enjoyable break.

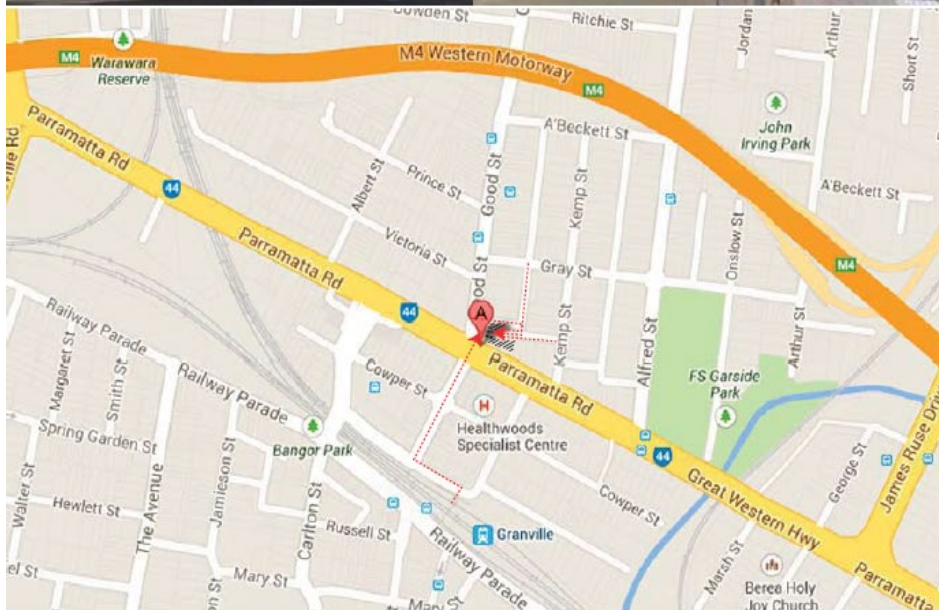
Fatma Fidanboy
Head Teacher Mathematics

Year 8 Accelerated class		Year 9 Accelerated class	
Hiba	Affan	Najiya	Afnan
Joanna	Ali	Sarah	Chaudhary
Batol	Askar	Stella	Chow
Dania	Ghuneim	Rahimeen	Durrani
Manahil	Ikram	Huda	Faheem
Maria	Javed	Maryam	Hadi
Saba	Kauser	Maria	Hidari
Aliza	Malik	Jamie	Le
Bo-Hae	Nguyen	Zeazawar	Lwin
Omaima	Noor	Asna Afsheen	Mohammed
Erica	Tamang	Tabina	Taj
Xi Yue	Zhang	Amina	Zulqarnain

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Monday-Friday: 9am - 5:30pm
Saturday: 9am - 4pm
Sunday/ Public Holidays: Closed

Store closure during holidays:

Last open date: **24 December 2021**
Re-Open date: **6th January 2022**

MAKING ONLINE PAYMENTS

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa, MasterCard, Credit or Debit card, and can be made via computer, tablet or mobile phone. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the schools website by selecting:

"MAKE A PAYMENT" from the taskbar at the top of the page, right hand side.

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (these include band, drama and dance). There is also a category called 'Other' this to cover items not covered in the previous headings. 'Other' can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system.

There is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number if you are aware of them, these are optional fields **OR** there is also the option to enter the Student Registration Number and Invoice number these are not used at our school, please leave blank.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your Credit/Debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office.

When you access the **"\$ Make a payment"** you must enter:

- the students name, and class and reference number **OR**
- the students name, and date of birth