

## @Reddam

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 1 of 2021. I trust all Reddam families had a wonderful, local, summer holiday, enjoying all that NSW and the States that were open to Sydneysiders, had to offer.

The start of a new school year is always an exciting time and there has been a buzz of excitement around the school this week as students reconnected after their extensive holiday. We welcome the new students to Reddam, in particular, the new Year 7 students who embarked on their six-year high school journey on Wednesday. They arrived at school for their orientation and class placement tests and were joined on Thursday by the rest of the school.

Wednesday was a day of feeling unique, and being the only students in the school was just what was needed to allow Mrs Karney and Mr Compton, as the Year 7 Coordinators and the rest of the Year 7 Tutors to start getting to know the students and help them with the transition into High School. There is nothing better than knowing what the expectations are when starting anything new for the first time.

The senior students arrived back to seven new classrooms available to them in the refurbished Jewish Learning Centre, now known as the Bondi Learning Centre. Quite a lot of excitement from students and teachers who will be moving into this space.

I would like to welcome four new members of staff: Ori Golan joins the Maths department, Alicia Mather will be teaching English, and Maureen Fraser will be involved in the teaching of PDHPE. I know that our community will make them feel welcome. Having chatted to the teachers, they are already enjoying the classes they have met to date. Jacinta Lynch joins our team of School Psychologists working in the Middle School. She has a very good grasp of our school being the mother of two sons who are past students.

During the holidays two Reddam teachers had the joy of welcoming their babies into the world. Ryan Bjorn Breheny was born at 11.08am on Tuesday 19th January to proud parents Chris and Em Breheny.



Emma Lambert and her husband Ross welcomed Oliver Allen Lambert, at 7:56 am on Monday 25th January. Congratulations to both sets of parents and welcome to Ryan and Ollie.



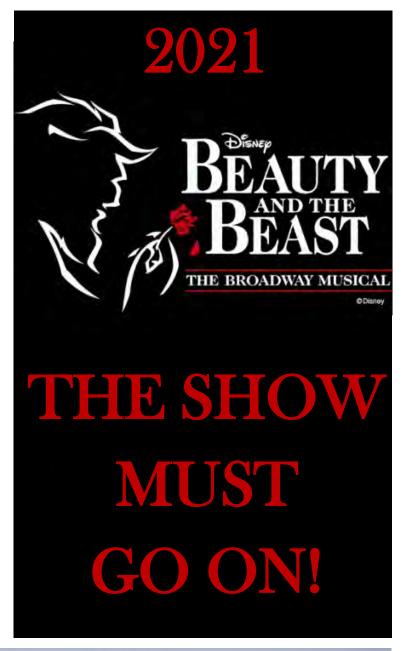
Year 7, Year 8 and Year 9 go off on camp next week. The aim of these camps has always been to get students out of the city and into the bush, to create an environment where students can get to know one another and bond as a year group. Where possible the teachers who are accompanying the groups will also be their Tutors once they return to school. Their pastoral care role is enhanced by the time spent together on camp.

COVID safety measures are still in place as mandated by NSW Health and Education Department. We will continue with daily temperature checks and regular hand sanitising. A number of our "normal" events will have to be put on hold due to not being able to have more than 30 people gathered in an outdoor venue. Our Term 1 Class Cocktail Parties and Information evenings are on hold until restrictions ease. Open Day which traditionally occurred in Term 1 will also be on hold.

We will proceed with Beauty and the Beast and even if the NIDA theatre has a limited audience, we have decided that the process and preparation for the musical is as important as the final show itself. Even if there is no audience allowed, we will go ahead and perform at NIDA and record the show.

All the very best to all Reddam families for 2021.

Dave Pitcairn





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	Event 360 Prepared Speech 12 years (Time limit up to 3 min) Tentative Date: Tuesday 3 August	Entry fee \$31.00
	Event 359 Impromptu Speech 12 & under (Preparation time 2 min, speaking time up to 3 min) Tentative Date: Monday 2 August	Entry fee \$33.00
	Event 358 Prepared Speech 13 years (Time limit up to 3 min) Tentative Date: Monday 26 July	Entry fee \$33.00
•	Event 357 Prepared Speech 14 years (Time limit up to 4 min) Tentative Date: Monday 2 August	Entry fee \$33.00
	Event 356 Impromptu Speech 14 & under (Preparation time 2 min, speaking time up to 3 min) Tentative Date: Monday 2 August	Entry fee \$33.00
	Event 354 Impromptu Speech 15 - 19 years (Preparation time 2 min, speaking time up to 3 min) Tentative Date: Tuesday 27 July	Entry fee \$38.00
•	Event 355 Prepared Speech 15 years (Time limit up to 5 min) Tentative Date: Tuesday 3 August	Entry fee \$38.00
•	Event 353 Prepared Speech 16 years (Time limit up to 5 min) Tentative Date: Tuesday 27 July	Entry fee \$38.00
•	Event 352 Prepared Speech 17 - 19 years (Time limit up to 5 min) Tentative Date: Tuesday 27 July	Entry fee \$38.00
	Event 334 News Reading/Radio Announcing 15 years and under Tentative Date: Sunday 5 September	Entry fee \$33.00
•	Event 316 News Reading/Radio Announcing 16-18 yrs Tentative Date: Sunday 5 September	Entry fee \$38.00

There is also a compulsory \$12.00 e-programme charge **per family**. If you enter more than one event, you will only be charged the additional \$12.00 once. You will be sent a copy of the programme electronically to the email address supplied above.

Entry fees will be charged to your school account. Please do not send money to school.

## THIS FORM NEEDS TO BE E-MAILED OR HANDED TO MRS KARNEY BY WEDNESDAY 10 MARCH 2021 (jo.karney@reddamhouse.com.au)

Please note: Once a student has committed to entering this competition, no excuses other than a doctor's certificate, will be accepted.

All students will be required to organise their own transport to and from the Eisteddfod.

The Public Speaking section is being held at the Lighthouse Church, 6-8 Holtermann Street, Crows Nest, and the Radio Announcing section is held at Fine Music FM 102.5 studios at 76 Chandos Street, St. Leonards.

If you require any further details, please see the following link:

https://sydneyeisteddfod.com.au/events/category/speech-and-drama

