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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The final week of Term 3 comes to an end and with it, one of the most challenging terms, for both teachers and students. The rest, recuperation and reset will be enjoyed by all.

An email will be sent home informing you when the student's reports have been posted on Parent Lounge by Wednesday next week.

There have been many webinars about COVID 19 Vac-cinations for young students and families. I would like to share two presented by Reddam parents Dr Brynn Wainstein and Dr Lynn Townsend as well as one pre-sented by Dr Phoebe Williams to inform parents more about the risks and benefits of getting their families vaccinated.

I share the three presentations:

[Dr. Brynn Wainstein](#)

[Dr. Phoebe Williams](#)

[Dr. Lynn Townsend](#)

Earlier this term, the Music Department announced the [winners](#) of our Composition Competition, and we are now proud to be able to share all of our students' work with you. Please access the video presentations at the links below. Each section is time-stamped and you may select the piece you wish to hear in the video's description. Congratulations again to all of the students who submitted their original work for us to enjoy.

[Year 7 to Year 9](#)

[Year 10 to Year 12](#)



Jasper Hartmann in Y7 entered The Little Things Art Prize 2021, sharing his creative and personal expressions of gratitude. The Organisers, when informing the school that Jasper was a finalist in this competition, included the following commentary:

"It's really uplifting to be reminded of the 'little things' that are still noticed and enjoyed, especially during these challenging times. We hope every artist found the focus of this prize a positive experience. Many artists have been inspired by similar experiences including nature, pets, quiet spaces, art, connectivity, and friendship. This reinforces our shared passions despite feeling isolated at times. These themes have been ex-plored with a diverse range of techniques and materi-als with a high level of skill, sensitivity and sometimes humour." Well done Jasper and good luck with the final judging.

Charlotte Freedman of Year 12 has successfully completed her Duke of Ed Gold Award. As Duke of Ed ceremonies and medals are on hiatus for the foreseeable future, it is wonderful to recognise her achievement in this newsletter.

Highlights of Charlotte's Award:

- over 90 hours of volunteering with Jewish Education Matters and Hineni Youth & Welfare
- 115 hours of tennis, netball, and soccer
- over 90km of hiking and canoeing through Wollemi National Park and Ku-ring-gai Chase National Park
- Charlotte's voluntary service assessor described her as having "displayed excellent skills in education, organising, and leadership. Charlotte is an extremely talented and passionate individual"



Thank you and congratulations to the Junior Executive and Judiciary for making assemblies so much fun this term and all the teachers for getting involved.



The final Middle School Assembly for this term can be watched here: [Middle School Assembly](#)

Congratulations to all students for the manner in which you have approached online learning this term, enjoy your well-deserved holiday. Stay away from screens as much as possible, rather reconnect with your friends with the three friend bubble which is now allowed.

Happy holiday,

Dave Pitcairn



Congratulations to all students who met the challenge of entering a poem into the Red Room Poetry Forest Competition.

Here are a few of their wonderful entries:

The Sea

Long misty swells
under a smoking rain.
No colour
through mist and rain
a doleful echo
many days
could fly again.
The truth
was reluctant to leave.
he roamed,
all alone
Struggling

By Zoe Martin Year 8

If all goes well

In the darkest shifting focus,
places that terrify
return us to the lessons learned.
Bold touches are material thin.
Today I take our best again.
Ghost white ocean
Her hidden gems dissolve.
Healing further down
riches are replaced
the trauma is resolved.
Architecture in natural stone
chooses many angles
taking the path free from worry
but to solve the maze
you have to pay attention.

By Yana Dalglish Year 9



CAREERS NEWS

YEAR 12:

I am continuing to send you emails directly regarding necessary and informative details regarding application and the like. Please read these.

YEAR 12:

A reminder that all applications for EAS or anything else are due to me by 10 September 2021. Therefore these are now **OVERDUE**.

YEAR 12 DOING THE LAT FOR UNSW LAW:

I am proposing to have a practice session on Monday 27/9 at 10am via google meet. Please let me know ASAP if you wish to attend. Ms Jones

YEAR 11 & 10:

You have been sent forwarded emails from me regarding study and applications for the USA. If interested please take note of these and any webinars.



YEAR 12:

SOUTHERN CROSS UNIVERSITY ENTRANCE CHANGES FOR 2021

The Southern Cross STAR Early Offer program enables Year 12 students to gain an early offer on the basis of your recommendation. The aim is to match individual students to a particular course based on their demonstrated level of academic achievement and their likelihood of success in their chosen discipline.

Previous timeframes for student applications to the STAR program have been extended to accommodate the changed circumstances. Specifically:

Applications will now stay open until **30 September 2021**

Recommendations by Principals will now close on **13 October 2021**

STAR offers will then commence from **9 November 2021**

YEAR 12: LATEST UAC NEWS

Admissions 2022 date changes

On Friday 10 September a revised timetable for HSC examinations and results was released. As a consequence, the following UAC dates will change:

ATARs for NSW HSC students will now be released at 9am on **Thursday 20 January 2022**.

ATARs for ACT Year 12 students will now be released at 9am on **Thursday 20 January 2022**.

January Round 2 will now be the first ATAR-based offer round. The deadline for changing preferences for January Round 2 will be midnight on **Friday 21 January 2022**.

January Round 2 offers will be released at 7.30am on Wednesday 26 January 2022.

Changes to other UAC dates will be confirmed as soon as possible, as will the arrangements for ACT ATARs.

Information for NSW and ACT students applying interstate, and interstate students applying to NSW and ACT universities, will also follow.

Educational Access Schemes

EAS application and document deadline for January Round 2 will be midnight Friday 17 December 2021.

EAS eligibility letters will be released progressively from Friday 21 January 2022 to all applicants with finalised assessment for January Round 2.

Stay up to date with the latest information:

NSW Education Standards Authority updates about measures they are taking for Year 11 and 12 students.

ACT Board of Senior Secondary Studies COVID-19 updates.



UAC COVID-19 update

Early bird closing

Early bird applications close at midnight on Thursday 30 September, after which UAC's processing charge increases.

If your students aren't sure about what they want to study, they can submit an application to any course and change their preferences as many times as they like, for free. Year 12 applicants can also 'commit to pay' using BPAY or Post Billpay. Payment must be made, however, in order to have their application assessed and receive an offer.

FAQs about applying for uni



Early offer schemes

While the ATAR is still the main selection tool used by most unis, there are other ways for students to show that they're ready to succeed at tertiary study.

Many institutions have early offer schemes for Year 12 students. Through these schemes the institutions will assess students using criteria other than (or in addition to) their ATAR.

The closing date for UAC's Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS) is this Sunday 19 September and the first offers will be released on Friday 12 November. We've created a three-minute video guide on how to apply for SRS.

Early offer schemes

Extension of EAS to include additional COVID-19 payments.

The Educational Access Scheme (EAS) will be extend-

ed to include applicants in Year 12 whose parent/s and/or guardian/s have received the COVID-19 Disaster Payment, JobSaver payments or Pandemic Leave Disaster Payment (to care for a COVID-19 positive person) for a period of 3 months or more.

We encourage applicants to apply and upload documents to support these additional disadvantages under the category of Financial hardship, code FO1K. The wording in the application will be updated shortly.

Documents required

University selection rank adjustments

Many applicants receive an offer to a course even though they have an ATAR below the published lowest selection rank. Often this is because other factors have been taken into consideration in combination with their ATAR and their selection rank for that course has been adjusted (and is higher than their ATAR).

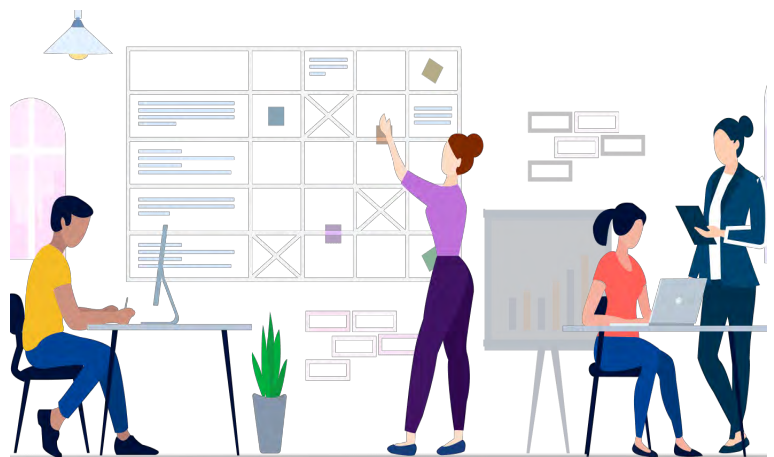
Selection rank adjustments are applied differently from institution to institution and from course to course within the same institution, so we've put together quick links to each institution's website with information on how each might apply adjustments to an applicant's selection rank.

Quick links to institution websites

UAC PIN reminder

All 2021 NSW HSC and ACT Year 12 applicants have had their UAC PIN emailed to them. For students who have not yet applied through UAC, a PIN reminder email was sent on Thursday 23 September.

If students are having problems logging in to the UAC application, the quickest and easiest way for them to get help is to call UAC Customer Service on (02) 9752 0200, 8.30am to 4.30pm Monday to Friday. We don't reply to email requests for login details as we need to identify the sender before giving out this information.



HOW TO IMPROVE YOUR SLEEP ENVIRONMENT

LIGHT

Try using blackout blinds to make your room darker



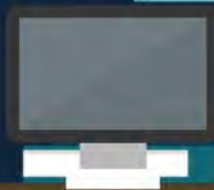
WORRIES

Have a notebook near your bed so you can write down any worries before you sleep



HELPFUL GADGETS

Why not ditch the alarm clock for a SAD lamp so light is your wake-up call?



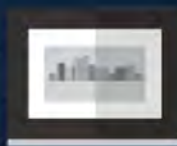
LAPTOP

Keep work items separate and outside of your bedroom



SOUND

Turn off your tv and try to develop a quiet bedroom environment



TEMPERATURE

Make sure there is enough air circulation and you find the right temperature to help you sleep



PHONE

Avoid using your phone before bed



MATTRESS

Take time to find the best mattress for you. Make sure it is supportive and comfortable.

BEDDING

Don't forget about finding some comfortable bed sheets and duvet

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Helping your children with online time over the holidays



Managing Screen Time During School Holidays

Children's tech use can almost double during holidays so now is the perfect time to learn how Family Zone can make managing your family's online life easier.

[Reserve your seat](#) in this helpful and informative Webinar event.

Managing Gaming Consoles

Family Zone & cyber expert Nicole Embra, from The Cyber Safety Tech Mum, present practical and easy-to-implement tips to manage gaming consoles in your home.

[Register your interest](#) in this webinar to help manage gaming consoles with The Cyber Safety Tech Mum.



Reddam House's [CyberSafetyHub](#) has guides for all areas of concern while being in cyberspace; from App-specific issues to bullying to managing your sensitive information, this is a resource that is bound to help a lot of families.

To [find out more](#) about Family Zone and get started with protecting your family go to the [Reddam House Cyber Safety Hub](#)



Reddam House Leadership Photography Portfolio Photo Essay Competition



A World on Pause: **Lockdown Photography Essay Competition**

You are uniquely positioned as **students in lockdown** to record a specific slice of history. Using the photo essay format, document **interesting aspects of your time in lockdown**. This may include school or holiday time to show your singular perspective.

Consider: first catch-ups with friends, online learning, inability to see distant relatives, empty parks/city, holiday locations in your area.

JUDGING CRITERIA

Technical excellence: The most basic of the criteria, is it a clear image, no blur around it, is there a lot of distortion. Simply put is it taken clearly, sharp suitable lighting etc.

Degree of difficulty: Was this photo easy for you to take? Did you have to do something **MORE** than everyone else?

Creativity: Is it creative, is it original?

IMPORTANT: The maximum size and resolution of your file should be no bigger than A3.

There are prizes for first and second place so I do encourage participation!

Submission date is **13 October 2021**. The winners will be announced in the first assembly.

PRIZES

1st - Printed canvas A3 of your work

2nd - Printed canvas A4 of your work

Submit your photo essay here



WASTE

THE ENVIRO PORTFOLIO



TIPS FOR REDUCING YOUR WASTE OUTPUT

- In Woollahra Council, you can put food scraps in the green bin rather than sending them to landfill.
- Eat leftovers later in the week instead of chucking them out!



WHAT WE DO NOW MATTERS.

The pencil sharpener that you chuck away at the end of the school year will still be in landfill when your great-great-great-grandchildren die.



NEWS:

The government has announced a 7 million dollar investment in regional recycling programs as a way to catch up the country and develop recycling technologies. Many communities in the regions still currently have no curbside pickup



HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



YOU ARE THE MARS GENERATION

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FIRST HUMANS TO
EXPLORE MARS

IT'S TIME TO PREPARE!

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- Design your own Mars human colony or exploratory mission
- Opportunity to meet NASA experts online
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YOUTH SUMMIT

Are you 14-16 years old? Waverley Council wants to hear from you! Join us for a fun online Youth Summit on Wednesday October 13 3.30-5.00pm.



SCORE A
\$20
VOUCHER!



You get to say what Council should be doing, and we'll even give you a \$20 gift voucher for your opinion.

Scan the QR code to register.
Places are limited so don't delay!



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COUNCIL

LAST DAY TO ENTER



YEAR 7-12

REDDAM HOUSE PORTRAIT PRIZE

- 2021 -

**20TH AUG TO 24TH SEPT. PRIZES
TO BE WON + CULTURAL POINTS
FOR ALL ENTRIES.**

**CONDITIONS, PRIZES & ENTRIES:
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Art in Paradise 2022!

Hamilton Island Art Retreat

8th April – 12th April 2022

Limited Places Available

Hamilton Island Art Retreat is an exclusive Art Retreat which is open to Elective Art students or students who are passionate about art who may not currently study art as an elective subject. Hamilton Island is one of the most magnificent destinations in Australia and Reddam House students are fortunate to be able to have the opportunity to work with the artist in residence and attend a private art lesson in the studio space on the island. The students will be involved in a range of workshops daily at different vantage points around the island such as drawing, watercolour, environmental sculptural and photography. This is an unparalleled experience to be able to create artworks in such a tropical and lush environment.

Students will receive their own extensive art kit, full of materials for the trip. Students will stay in beautiful accommodation with full access to the beach and water sports.

This is a must do experience for all artists!

For more information, Itinerary and to Sign-up for an experience of a lifetime.
contact: laurellen.symonds@reddamhouse.com.au

FRI 8 - SAT 9 APRIL 2022 - Days 1 & 2

- Depart Sydney on the morning of Friday 3rd April and fly to Hamilton Island.
- Arrival Transfer: Airport - Reef View Hotel
- 'Art in Motion' - workshop: photography and sketching on location around the island.
- 'Tropical Discovery' - drawing workshop at marina
- 'Island Lines' drawing and collage workshop
- Workshop with artist in residence at the Hamilton Island Art Gallery
- Options for watersports and swimming during leisure times.

SUN 10 - TUES 12 APRIL 2022 - Days 3 - 5

- 'Framing the landscape' - photography workshop
- 'Micro and Macro' - mixed media workshop
- Passage Peak sunrise - mountain hike and photography session
- 'Environmental eco art' - sculptural workshop
- 'Marine and Architectural Explorations' - watercolour workshop
- Options for watersports and swimming during leisure time
- Depart Hamilton Island on the afternoon of Tuesday 7th April and arrive Sydney Kingsford Smith airport.

INCLUSIONS

- Airfare: Sydney/Hamilton Island return.
- Accommodation: 4 nights at 4-star Reef View Hotel. Multi-share rooms. All rooms with private facilities.
- Meals: Breakfast and dinner daily.
- 9 artmaking workshops and studio session at Hamilton Island gallery.
- Transfers: all transfers from airport and around Island.
- Art Kit bag containing all artmaking materials

ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO BUDGET FOR (NOT INCLUDED):

- Lunches, drinks and snacks as required outside inclusions.
- Spending money for small general purchases and souvenirs.

TOTAL COST: \$1985.00

REGISTER BY: by completing the registration form and completing payment

For registration form further details please email: laurellen.symonds@reddamhouse.com.au

