

THE MERRYLANDS MESSENGER

Semester 1 2020

MULTI-CAT LEND Helping Hand

Year 8 and 9 students acquired fine motor skills by developing creative new staff lanyards from a mixture of clay, ribbon and key rings.

YOUNG MASTERCHEFS DELIVER MEALS WORTH THE WEIGHT!

Tech mandatory students race the clock to refine culinary skills

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

STUDENTS ENGAGE IN UNIVERSITY STYLE WORKSHOPS DURING VISIT TO UTS CAMPUS

Design computers games, documentaries, clothing designs and other projects





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Merrylands High School library showcased a wide range of the 677 resources available in the library relating to Aboriginal culture and reconciliation. The wave seats were set to represent a snake leading to one of the displays, while other displays in the library presented a range of Aboriginal books.

THESE PRESENTATIONS ARE STILL AVAILABLE FOR VIEWING.



DESIGN & TECH EXCURSION

In February, Year 9 Design and Technology visited the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences and surrounding areas to explore different types of innovative design. We walked through Ultimo to see the range of architecture along the Goods Line and looked at the iconic Frank Gehry design, Dr Chau Chak Wing Building. In the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences students were able to explore exhibits including Apollo 11, Jenny Kee and Linda Jackson and Interface: people, machines and design.





YEAR 7 TEACHER'S BREAKFAST

As part of the introduction unit in Technology Mandatory, Year 7 students were given the challenge to design a breakfast for a teacher at Merrylands High School. Students worked in groups to interview teachers about their favourite foods, dietary requirements and normal breakfast habits. The students then had 60 minutes to prepare and present their meals to their chosen teachers. All the teachers had fantastic feedback on the designs and we practised working in a kitchen (including washing dishes correctly!)

U@UNI ACADEMY

In January, students visited the UTS campus and participated in a range of workshops in their field of choice: Science, Media, Design, Engineering and IT, Business and Health. Using the skills they learned, students created their own projects including computers games, documentaries, clothing design and more. These projects were displayed at an exhibition on the last day of Summer School.



IT MULTIMEDIA MAJORS



Year 12 students Nathan and Omid have made extensive progress on their Industrial Technology major projects. They are working towards careers in Game Engineering, who are honing their skills by designing indie games ready for the Xbox and Windows game stores. Students at Merrylands High School have access to a 'development Xbox' and are learning the tools and workflows that professional game designers use. Omid is designing and developing a 3D car racing game and Nathan is designing and developing a 3D 3rd person adventure game.

OPEN GIRLS SOCCER SUCCESS

Congratulations to the Open Girls Knockout Soccer team. The girls had a fantastic 7-1 first round win against Holroyd High School. A great team effort with a number of outstanding individual performances making them a team to look out for in the competition. A special mention to Katrina Tamano for her extraordinary effort, scoring 6 goals in the match. Well done girls!





BUSINESS SERVICES

Year 12 Business Services completed their Cluster E Task in Week 8 of Term 2. The assessment involved creating a 3D model for a sporting organisation. The task also evaluated their ability to collaborate and work effectively in groups. All students displayed creativity, leadership and ingenuity! The students also reflected on the challenges that they had to overcome when working with other people and how it broadened their perspective about work place situations.

IMPORTANT DATES

MERRYLANDS HIGH SCHOOL



*EVENTS COULD CHANGE - SUBJECT TO COVID-19 AND SOCIAL DISTANCING REGULATIONS