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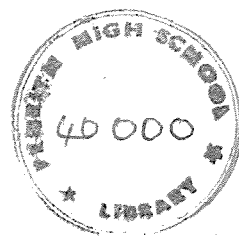


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Headmaster's Message

Recently a new Honours Board has been placed in the vestibule of the school. It contains the names of all students who have won first class honours at a Leaving Certificate Examination. It is a very impressive record.

On the other side of the vestibule is a cabinet containing cups and pennants won as prizes in sporting events. It is also an impressive display.

The new Honours Roll is part of a policy of recognising and encouraging academic achievement. The large number of Commonwealth Scholarships now open to competition among senior

students without any means test is an indication of the Government's desire to foster learning in our schools.

There is a great need for students to obtain the best education possible at school as a preparation for further professional training. Every senior student should have an ambition and the fulfilment of this ambition will result in great satisfaction. In this way not only does a student develop for himself the foundations of a happy life, but also makes his greatest contribution to the welfare of his country.

J. P. SHARPE, Headmaster

Staff Changes

The following teachers left Penrith:—

Mr. A. G. Rose to Ibrox Park Boys' High School as English/History Master, Mr. G. Hunt to St. Mary's High School as English/History Master, Mr. J. Allison to Nepean High School as Mathematics Master, Miss M. Rumble to Auburn Girls' High School, Miss A. Maccioni to Arthur Phillip High School; Mr. I. Thompson to Chester Hill High School as Manual Arts Master, Mr. B. Dash to Murwillumbah High School; Mr. J. Lawson to Katoomba High School, Mrs. M. Robertson to Katoomba High School.

Mrs. B. Murphy resigned.

Mrs. R. Pickard retired on 8th May, 1964.

The following teachers arrived this year:—

Mr. T. J. Brew returned after a year's absence at Seven Hills High School, Mrs. M. Kinneer from Katoomba High School, Mr. W. T. Walker from Macksville High School, Miss J. Hummerston from Auburn Girls' High School, Mr. P. W. Garden as Manual Arts Master from Parkes High School; Mrs. S. P. Hatherley (from 1st May, 1964), Miss S. A. Kay and Mr. D. I. McNab.
Mr. F. R. Cowley, B.A. (Master)

THE SCHOOL CAPTAINS' MESSAGE

Once again we find the end of the year drawing near and thoughts of future careers foremost in our minds. Never before has this thought or school-work played such a significant role in our lives. To some people the thought of leaving school is frightening to others it is the realisation of hopes and dreams for the future.

For the past five years, the present Fifth Year has been preparing for this barrier called the Leaving Certificate, which determines the course our lives are to take. During these five years our characters have been moulded and our studies carefully directed by the staff. On behalf of Fifth Year

we wish to thank our teachers for their guidance and help throughout the years.

To Mr. Sharpe, Mr. Brown and Mr. Edwards we extend a special thank you for your continued interest in and understanding for Fifth Year and the prefect body, making our year as the "seniors" an especially enjoyable one. Thanks must also be given to the pupils of the school who, after all, are the school, and who by their loyalty and assistance have aided us in carrying out our duties. To next year's Fifth Year we wish the best of luck and success in your final and hope that your year will be as satisfying and rewarding as ours has been to us.

Rex Kinder and Christine Roberts

INVESTITURE OF PREFECTS

The Investiture of Prefects for 1964 was held on the 2nd March, before an audience of pupils and parents of the prefects. The Headmaster, Mr. Sharpe, gave a short address, and welcomed the parents and the Official guests, the Mayor of Penrith Mr. Chapman and Mrs. Chapman.

The Girl School Captain, Catherine Dutton, was then introduced. She spoke briefly on the history of prefects and their importance in the school society.

At the conclusion of this speech, the prefects stood and repeated the Prefect's Pledge after Mr. Sharpe, who then introduced the Boy School Captain, Rex Kinder, to Mr. Chapman. Rex was presented with his badge, and introduced the Vice-Captain Royden Lake, and the boy prefects, John Badcock, Philip Baguley, James Broadbent, Geoff Brown, Bruce Cameron, Warren Eyles, John Hussey, Stephen Jack, James Munro, David Pickering, Jeff Porter, Stewart Scott-Irving and Paul Totman.

Catherine then introduced the Girl Vice-Captain, Christine Roberts, to Mrs. Chapman, and the girl prefects, Beverley Aldrich, Gillian Anderson, Ruth Asgill, Christine Charlton, Sue Dowling, Pam Gallwey, Anne Giles, Liisa Lehepuu, Bronwen Llewelyn, Glenda Morphet, Susan Talbot, Stephanie Walker and Sandra Wilcox.

After receiving their badges, each Prefect signed the Prefects' Registr.

The Mayor then gave an address on the worthiness of Prefectship, and said that many prefects of Penrith High School would become great ambassadors for Australia.

Rex then thanked the Mayor and Mrs. Chapman, for attending, and, as the School stood, the Official party and prefects filed out of the Hall, later to entertain the parents at afternoon tea.

STEPHANIE WALKER