



# East Hills Boys High School

## *Foreword by Principal Kevin Elgood*

2015 marks the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for East Hills Boys High School, 60 years of outstanding boys education and certainly a milestone worthy of celebration. As the 10<sup>th</sup> principal appointed to East Hills Boys High School, It is with pleasure that I introduce this magazine which provides a snapshot of life at East Hills Boys High School over the past 60 years.

Last year, we were fortunate to have the opportunity to meet some of our inaugural 1955 students who provided us with very interesting information about our history and life at East Hills Boys at the time. Mr Roger Juchau, who initiated the visit, said that his class started in 1955 in temporary accommodation at Canterbury Junior High School. The school moved to Panania in third term 1955 when the construction of the new buildings had reached a stage that was sufficient to accommodate the new East Hills Boys High School students. Since that time East Hills Boys has educated many thousands of very successful young men and earned a reputation as the leading boys high school in South West Sydney.

The school has evolved over the years with the addition of new buildings to cater for changing enrolment and educational demands. The latest upgrade was completed in 2012 when over \$8 million was allocated to provide much needed upgrades across the school, including; a new toilet block, a new library, two new commercial kitchens, a new administration block to replace the outdated A Block, a new canteen in M Block, refurbishment of Blocks B, C, D, E, F, and S and various landscaping works around the grounds. These works provided the school with modern facilities and great new learning spaces.

Our celebrations include an anniversary dinner on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December and an open day on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December. The open day will give our current students and staff the opportunity to highlight the school, the variety of cultures represented by our student body and some of the magnificent work that they do in class today. I would like to make special mention of Mrs Karen Savins who has passionately led, driven and coordinated our 60<sup>th</sup> celebrations. Mrs Savins is our relieving deputy principal and our longest serving member of staff, since Mr Bernie Williams retired last year after 37 years here at East Hills Boys High School.

Our school crest was modernised a decade ago, but our school motto "Servio" (I Serve), still as relevant as it was when introduced by our founding principal, Mr M. S. Cannon. The school has continually adapted to a changing environment for the past 6 decades and retained the strong sense of tradition and school spirit established by our founding students and staff. Our history of success and achievement across all areas has instilled in the students a consciousness of a high standard of achievement and conduct, a respect towards others, a keenness for learning and a pride in belonging to such a great school.

I am sure that students and staff associated with the school will look back on their memories with pride and satisfaction. I look forward to being a part of the next 60 years with great anticipation and the knowledge that the school is well placed as a leader in boys education for future generations.

Enjoy this opportunity to share memories and help us celebrate our first 60 years.



# 60th Anniversary 1955-2015

We look forward to another 60 years  
of excellence in boys  
education.





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To the Tune: THE BRITISH GRENADIERS

In the east as dose the sun,  
Will arise a school of frame,  
And down the years of East Hills Boys' High  
Will achieve a glorious name.

Like crusading Knights of old  
The cross upon the shield,  
They'll sally fourth, right to uphold,  
And win in class and field.

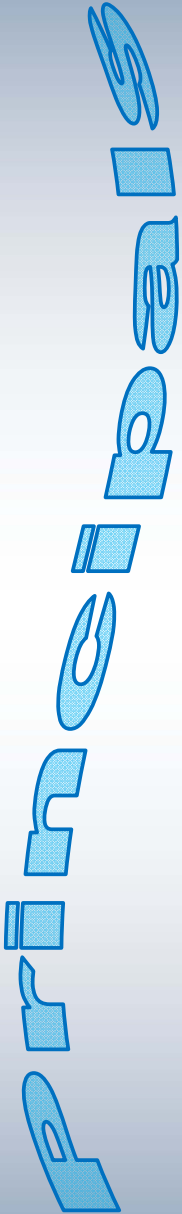
Her sons will proudly bear their badge,  
And as proudly proclaim  
That "Servio", their text will guide  
And always be their aim.

When at last her portals they do pass,  
Unto the world outside,  
The pale blue and the grey will fly,  
A banner and a guide.

The Original School Song



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1955-62	M.S. CANNON
1963-65	L.E. JONES
1966-78	T.C. WALLIS
1979-83	G.C. FRANKS
1984-86	B.S. BYRNES
1987	S.R. JACOB
1988-96	R.K. MORRIS
1997-99	C.J. SOUTH
1999-00	C. PREECE
2000	P. MCSEVENY
2001-12	R.H. BROOKS
2013-	K.D. ELGOOD



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Perhaps the most regretful experience in the school life of a Fifth year student is to say farewell. This is especially so in my case, not only because of the position in the school it has been privilege to have held, but also because of the special circumstances which have existed during that time.

The boys of the present Fifth Year have been senior students since the schools beginning. We have not had the advantage of the experience of older boys upon which to draw, nor has there been a school tradition to guide us, so we do hope that those who follow will benefit from our mistakes. Ours has been a pioneering experience and we have passed through many trials and tribulation, but it is with much pride that I make the claim that Fifth Year has lived up to the high ideals of the School's motto. I feel honoured to have been associated with such fine class-mates. The comradeship which has existed has set a standard which will contribute materially to the development of school spirit. Therefore I say "thank you!" to my fellows in Fifth year who have been a tower of strength to me in discharging the duties associated with the School Captancy.

I thank Mr. Buchan, the Prefects' Master, for his keen support, assistance and direction; Mr. Buraston, for his help on many occasions; and Mr. Miller, for his untiring enthusiasm and efforts as Sports Master. Unfortunately time and space do not permit me to thank all I would like to, so I say "thank you!" to the staff as a whole for the co-operation to the Headmaster. His leadership has been an inspiration and his efforts to build the school into an institution worthy of the finest traditions of scholarship have set a standard for all to follow.

The time has come when we boys of Fifth Year must hand on our responsibilities to others. The task will immediately fall to the present Fourth Year. I know they will carry on with the aim of extending the building into this school the spirit which is even now beginning to emerge. I ask the rest of the boys to remember at all times the school motto. Follow the principles of that motto in your daily lives, in the class-room, and on the playing field. Give your best to develop that school spirit which will one day place East Hills Boys' High School in the front rank of the schools of the state.

**Ross Barnett**

**School Captain 1957**

Captain's Message 1957



# 60th Anniversary 1955-2015

## Captain's Message 2015

Hi, my name is Jasvir Boparoy and I am the school captain at East Hills Boys High School for 2016. My experiences at East Hills Boys have been ever-changing.

East Hills Boys has changed substantially over the last five years. This was due to the funding given out by the state government to upgrade all schools for the 21<sup>st</sup> century. When I first came to this school in 2011, most of the school had construction going on in multiple areas. The school was a mess, however after construction works had finished, the school felt like a different place. This construction allowed the school to be upgraded and ready for the future of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. These upgrades included new library facilities, new hospitality facilities, new toilets and a new office. Also almost every classroom was installed with either a data projector and screen or a smartboard.

East Hills Boys is a culturally diverse school which caters and provides learning for a wide group of students. Many of the students are from different backgrounds. The great thing about this school is that everyone is very accepting and welcoming of different backgrounds. This makes it especially easy for a new student to assimilate into the school life at East Hills Boys High School.

At this school, many opportunities are given to students. Student leadership is a very important part of the East Hills Boys High School community. Every year group has four representatives which are part of the SRC. This council regularly has meetings to provide the school with student's opinions about the way the school is run and also what needs to be implemented to further benefit the school. This council also organises events to support a wide variety of charities.

In 2016, we are going to see changes to the leadership team. The role of the prefects, vice-captain and captain will be expanded. Two prefects will be assigned to each year group to mentor and assist students. This change will be very beneficial as it will allow students who feel uncomfortable talking with teachers to have the opportunity to talk to a senior student who can guide and them according to their needs.

As a student learning in a classroom of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, I can definitely say that technology has changed the way learning occurs. In a normal lesson, the internet is used to show related materials to topics being studied in class. This change has made the learning experience at school much more enjoyable. Also about 3 years ago, our school moved from the paper based roll marking to a digital based roll marking system. This change is thanks to the technology of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Through the use of this system, staff are able to identify where a student is at a certain point in time much more efficiently and easily.

Another change that has occurred over my time at this school is the introduction of a student welfare unit. This unit looks after the wellbeing and experience that each student has as they progress through this school. This unit ensures that East Hills Boys has the best student life possible.

In the late 1900's discipline, education and the environment that students were in were quite harsh. I have heard stories of disciplining methods of the past and I can definitely say that all schools across Australia have moved on and now have much more adequate disciplinary measures. Also the environment of 21<sup>st</sup> century schools is much more friendly and welcoming, and students have a greater say in what happens in the school compared to the past.

Throughout my years at East Hills Boys I have seen many changes to the learning environment, education and the student life. These changes have allowed this school to be ready for the 21<sup>st</sup> century as well as making the learning experience of students much more enjoyable.

**Jasvir Boparoy**

**School Captain 2016**



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Staff Now 2015



**EAST HILLS BOYS**  
High School

**Staff**

**Principal : Mr Kevin Elgood**

**2015**

- Seated Row:** Kay Kerz, Michael Sprod, Andrew Kontellis, Karen Savins, Nektario Stefanis, Jennifer Rhodes, Kevin Elgood, Brett Palmer, Richard El Azzi, Mikale Christenson, Steve Cavanagh, David Leys, Paul Carson
- Second Row:** Lei Ye, Suzanne Barnes, Fazreen Hassan, Kathy Wheatley, Malini Weerasingham, Jo Wallace, Alison Collis, Susan Turnbull, Rosa Shakir, Danielle McDonald, Rina Naiker, Kerry Skinner, Meryl Young, Firas Adra
- Third Row:** Andrea Nicodemou, Lisa-Marie Abdow, Sue Heddle, Danica Firulovic, Lynley Heaslip, Jo Newman, Brooke Ryan, Kerrie West, Lindsey Benz, Julia Mountakis, Fotini Tsavdaridis, Tania Dixon-Hughes, Jeremy Sercombe
- Fourth Row:** Sing Lai, Antonella Suteski, Jason Bardas, Rebecca Wheatley, Sam Malagre, Tess Harvey, Andrew Kepreotis, Paul Georges, Samantha McKenzie, Caupolican Solis, Phoebe Cobb, Ben Willson, Vas Vasilas, Anne Maree Barber
- Fifth Row:** Lachlan Robinson, John Watson, Walid El Chiekh, Steve Suteski, Chris Prestwidge, Sean Delaney, Bart James, Marty Fergusi, Ben Haberley, Brett Lucas, Steven Gawidziel, Alex Fontana, Marco Moras
- Absent:** Kerry Andrianakos, Betty Bechara, Scott Bourne, Pam Deller, Angela Fisher, Elizabeth George, Byron Hackshall, Daniel Lee, Briony McLure, Con Tsekens, Con Tsiakoulas