

PUBLIC SPEAKING & DEBATING INFORMATION

CSDA PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

Our wonderful Public Speakers will be presented to the school on Friday 6th April: William Staber and Benjamin Cullen of Year 8, Joshua Jones and James Baldock of Year 9 and Kieran Zucconi of Year 10.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS' DEBATING COMPETITION (CSDA)

Training has commenced for the 2018 season and all debaters are expected to attend training from 3.30-5pm EVERY Friday afternoon. Coaches will have organised another 30 minutes of training before or after school for their teams. This two hour training is part of being on a debate team. If you cannot meet training commitments then you need to consider your role on a debate team.

On Thursday evening 5th April, 6.30 -8.30 St Pius X will be hosting the CSDA Adjudicator Seminar in the Blue Room. Our Year 11 students will be presenting a debate and our Year 12 students (as well as some of last year's Year 12 students) will become accredited CSDA adjudicators. The following Friday, 6th April each debate year group will have a formal debate that is adjudicated by a senior student. This is our last Friday practise before the season commences in Term 2. Thanks to our seniors for taking on this wonderful role.

Pius will host around half of these rounds as home events are easier for our parents. The CSDA competition dates for 2018 are:

Debating

4th May	Round 1
11th May	Round 2
18th May	Round 3
25th May	Round 4
1st June	Round 5
15th June	Round 6
22nd June	Elimination final 2
29th June	Quarter final

Term 3

27th July	Semi final
3rd August	Grand final

SDN Debating Competition Term 3

St Pius X participates in the School's Debating Network (SDN) Competition. schools include: Abbotsleigh, Redlands, Riverview, Roseville, Stella Maris, Monte & Wenona. This 7 round competition runs in Term 3 every Friday night from Week 1 to Week 7. If your team moves to the final you will need to keep that Friday night (usually Week 8) free.

Round	Date	Affirmative Team & Hosting Venue	Negative Team
1	Friday 27 th July	Monte Roseville Riverview Wenona	Abbotsleigh St Pius Stella Maris Redlands
2	Friday 3 rd August	Redlands Wenona St Pius Abbotsleigh	Monte Roseville Stella Maris Riverview
3	Friday 10 th August	Monte Redlands Riverview Stella Maris	Roseville Abbotsleigh St Pius Wenona
4	Friday 17 th August	Roseville Stella Maris Wenona Redlands	Abbotsleigh Monte St Pius Riverview
5	Friday 24 th August	St Pius Roseville Abbotsleigh Wenona	Monte Redlands Stella Maris Riverview
6	Friday 31 st August	Stella Maris Riverview Abbotsleigh Monte	Redlands Roseville St Pius Wenona
7	Friday 7 th September	Abbotsleigh Roseville Redlands Monte	Wenona Stella Maris St Pius Riverview
Tiebreakers	Friday 14 th September	To be hosted by St Pius	
Grand Final	Friday 21 st September	To be hosted by St Pius	

SDN ADJUDICATORS' SEMINAR. Last Saturday Keenan Smith, Pat McKenzie and I attended the NSW DET Debating Adjudicator Seminar at Lewisham Public School. It was a long 6 hours of non-stop instruction but a good experience for we CSDA Debaters to see how the SDN Adjudicators work. More information to come closer to the SDN season commencement.

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