

PUBLIC SPEAKING AND DEBATING

CSDA Public Speaking Competition

Last Friday night our students, Jose Monk and Joshua Jones in Year 10 competed in the CSDA Grand Final held at Marist College, North Sydney. Mr Couani saw both students present and was impressed by their sophisticated content, delivery skills and confidence. James and Jose did not win a place on the night but achieving a spot in this Grand Final is an exceptional achievement.

Term 1

Debating

TRAINING HAS COMMENCED IN B WING ROOMS. BE THERE ASAP 3.30PM – 5.00 PM. ALL DEBATERS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND TRAINING IN WEEKS 8, 9 AND 10 THIS TERM.

As our debating pre-season training has commenced and we are trying to organize practice debates with Mercy College.

St Pius X competes in two debating competitions: the Catholic Schools' Debating Association (CSDA) Competition <http://www.csdanew.edu.au/>, and the Schools Debating Network (SDN) Competition <http://www.sdndebating.com.au/>. Enrolment forms will be available for students to collect from the front office and/or the verandah from Monday Term 1 Week 2. Forms need to be completed by students and signed by parents before being returned the verandah notices box marked "Public Speaking and Debating". Training will commence in week 7 of Term 1 with 'friendly' debates taking place in the last weeks of Term 1. Dates for the CSDA Debating Competition are listed below. The SDN Debating Competition takes place on the first seven Fridays of Term 3. The SDN Debating Competition is structured in line with the ISA Debating focus and is another brilliant debating learning experience. More information on the structure of both competitions will follow in weekly Woodchatta posts.

CSDA Adjudicators Seminar

This Thursday SPX is hosting the above seminar. It will run out of the Blue Room from 6pm to 8pm. Our Year 12 debaters are becoming accredited adjudicators so that they can return in 2020 and work with our debate teams.

Term 2 & Term 3 CSDA Debating Competition

Friday 3rd May	Round 1
Friday 11th May	Round 2
Friday 17th May	Round 3
Friday 24th May	Round 4
Friday 31st May	Round 5
Friday 14th June	Round 6
Friday 21st June	Elimination final 2
Friday 28th June	Quarter final

Term 3

Friday 26th July	Semi final
Friday 2nd August	Grand final

SDN (Schools Debating Network) Competition <http://www.sdndebating.com.au/>

Runs every Friday evening from Week 1 – Week 7 in Term 3.

Regards

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Debating and Public Speaking Convener