

PUBLIC SPEAKING AND DEBATING

Our Public Speaking and Debating registration forms are available at the front office for collection. All students interesting in joining our teams will have the opportunity to meet their coaches and collect the registration form at our first meeting for the year after Friday's sports assembly. We meet under the clock after assembly.

CSDA Public Speaking Competition

Could all public speakers Year 7 – 12 meet Mrs Waterson in B10 at lunch time on Thursday to register interest in competing in the CSDA Public Speaking competition running from Week 6-Week 8 this term. Watch Daily Notices and the Woodchatta for details on where and when our training will take place. The competition runs on the following Friday evenings in Term 1.

Term 1

Public Speaking

Round 1	8 March
Zone Final	15 March
Grand Final	22 March

Friday 8th March	Round 1
Friday 15th March	Zone final
Friday 22 nd March	Grand final

Students from Year 7 to Year 12 are invited to participate this event. The venues are still to be determined but training will commence in Week 3. Everyone is welcome! You don't have to be familiar with public speaking, nor even confident with public speaking to participate. We have time to train and build our confidence before the Round 1 event.

Debating Competitions

St Pius X competes in two debating competitions: the Catholic Schools' Debating Association (CSDA) Competition <http://www.csda.nsw.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.

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

Mrs Michele Waterson - Debating and Public Speaking Convener