## **COMPETITION DATES**

Teams can choose to compete on one of these days: 31 August, 1st, 7th or 8th September. Venues for each date may differ.

## **ABOUT**

## BRITISH PARLIAMENTARY (BP) DEBATING COMPETITION



The BP Competition is an exciting opportunity for students to compete in a distinct style of debating and gain experience in public speaking and critical thinking.

Students can also take this unique chance to engage in impromptu debating.

BP debating is held in Term 3 of the school year and consists of four teams of two competing against each other. The competition has two divisions:

- Cygnets Division (Years 7-9)
- Swans Division (Years 10-12)

Unlike the School's Debating Competition, the BP Tournament requires that teams participate in three debates over the course of one day (8:30am – 4pm). All topics will be provided on the day. After topics are released, teams will have 30 minutes to prepare their case. WADL will provide a short development seminar at the beginning of the day to ensure students are familiar with the competition rules, debating format, and basic strategies of BP.

At the conclusion of all debates, WADL will contact schools to announce those teams progressing to the semi-final.

## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Please email the Head of Magis, Ms Farley, by Monday 19 August (Week 6)

Email: daisy.farley @johnxxiii.edu.au

Students must register in teams of two. Please state in your email the name of your debating partner.