

Term 1 Week 7A 14 March 2014

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

P&C Meeting

The next meeting of the P&C will be held on Tuesday 25 March, commencing at 8pm in the school common room. All parents are invited, indeed actively encouraged, to attend the P&C meeting.

These evenings are a great opportunity to have some input into the direction of the school, meet with other parents and to hear of new developments within the school. Guest speakers at this meeting will be our librarians, Mrs Sorenson and Mrs Casey, who will talk about what the library offers our students, and Mrs Bevan who will lead parents through the new student e-diary. I'm certain our present members will make all newcomers feel most welcome.

Cross Country

Wednesday saw many of our students competing in the annual Cross Country Carnival at Fagan Park. It was a beautiful day and those competing put in a great effort and really enjoyed the day. These students are to be sincerely congratulated for their effort and support of the school curriculum. The top group in each age division will now progress to the Zone Carnival where the school was successful last year.

Unfortunately, a significant number of students didn't participate and offered a variety of what can only be described as flimsy, and in many cases untrue excuses, in order not to run. Disappointingly, parents condoned many of these excuses.

This school community has always prided itself on the cooperation enjoyed between students, staff and parents. It is something of which I am particularly proud and one of the hallmarks of a great school. The school cross country is a mandated curriculum activity and for students to avoid this with less than genuine excuses is extraordinarily disappointing. The school works very hard to instill ethics and values into the student body and honesty is one of the cornerstones of these values. To have this work undermined is certainly not in the spirit of the school.

I strongly urge all parents to support students to engage in all school activities. When students commence at Cherrybrook they are advised they only get out of school what they put into it. This mantra is worth remembering for all activities.

ARTEXPRESS

On Wednesday afternoon of this week I had the great pleasure of attending the opening of ARTEXPRESS at the NSW Art Gallery. Jiamei Liu, from the Year 12 class of 2013, had her HSC major work chosen to be one of only 41 works from over 9,000 to be presented at the gallery. Acclaimed artist, Ben Quilty gave a wonderful congratulatory speech describing his delight at being selected for ARTEXPRESS in the early 90s and how it had helped him focus on his career aspirations. Other speakers included Dr Michael Brand, the new curator of the gallery and Mr Greg Prior from the Department of Education and Mr Tom Alegounarias, President of the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards.



Mr Johnson with Jiamei Liu and Mrs Jaeger

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Jiamei's work looks absolutely spectacular hanging in the gallery and I would urge all members of the Cherrybrook community to visit the gallery, which will host the display until 11 May to not only see Jiamei's wonderful work, but also those of the other many talented HSC students on display.

Jiamei has commenced an architecture degree at the University of Sydney where she will be given the opportunity to study and explore design and creativity, as she prepares for her working life.

Joy Li, another of our wonderful Year 12 students from 2013, will have her remarkable drawings displayed at a regional ARTEXPRESS exhibition later this year.

The exceptional results of these students are certainly down to their own talent, skills and determination. However, both students are quick to point out that their success was also dependent on the wonderful guidance provide by their art teachers, Mrs Henry and Mrs Jaeger. My sincere congratulations are extended to all.

Athletics Carnival

Weather permitting, the school's Athletics Carnival will take place next Wednesday 19 March. All students should look forward to this carnival, as they will have the opportunity to participate in a large range of events as well as enjoying a day outdoors.

The PD/H/PE staff will run some further events on Thursday morning 20 March. These events are ones which cannot fit into the Wednesday program. Students need to check the sport noticeboard for a full list of events.

Following on from my article about the cross country, parents and students are reminded that the Athletics Carnival is a normal school day and attendance is compulsory for all students. I certainly expect a much greater participation rate from our senior students than was evident at this week's carnival.

Fabulous Foyer Display

Members of the school community who have visited the school this week no doubt have enjoyed the wonderful floral display provided by our local Cherrybrook Florist, **Petals and Leaves**, who are located in the Cherrybrook shopping centre. The school is very grateful for the support provided by this company in helping to make the foyer a very pleasant welcoming environment.

Congratulations to...

 James Harb, Year 11, who has been selected to represent NSW in the Combined High School's tennis team.

Mr Johnson



Adobe and Microsoft Software for Students

All NSW Department of Education and Communities students are now eligible to download and licence Adobe and Microsoft software.



This software is only available to download onto personally owned devices and only one download per application is permitted. Students need to check their DEC email for instructions on how to get their free software.

Mr Townsend

Clean up Australia Day

Friday 7 March was the Clean Up Australia Day for Schools. The students of Year 7 pitched in to do their bit for the school environment during Period 6. Armed with rubber gloves and rubbish bags, the students managed to collect a significant amount of waste which in the end benefits us, as school users, and the native environment. A big thankyou to all who helped clean up last week, your efforts are much appreciated.

Mr Clements



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E-diary

After some initial teething problems, the new e-diary trial is underway. All students in Years 9 - 11 should have received an invitation to log onto the site and set up their user details. The email was sent to their DEC account. This diary will be an excellent aid in organising students' homework and assessment work, as well as showing whole school activities. At a recent assembly a presentation was given to instruct on how to use the diary and this can be found at:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cLwDeKd-s s&list=PL49B68C66087F1127&index=20

Students will be given instructions in class on how to enter homework. A review of the diary will be held in Term 4. There is a link to the e-diary from the school website, located in student services.

Parents will also receive an invitation to set up a user profile enabling them to monitor their child's homework. The appropriate method for parents to contact staff is still via the HT KLA or the HT Stage. The e-diary will be on the agenda at the next P&C meeting, being held on Tuesday 25 March.

Mrs Bevan

'Running a Business'

Our Stage 5 'Running a Business' class has been researching a variety of shops located in Cherrybrook shopping complex. In groups we researched different businesses and created PowerPoint presentations. Through these presentations we have gained knowledge about the importance of a shop's location, competitors in the market, demographic factors that influence customer spending and promotional activities. Our teacher, Miss Kerr, organised for our class to go down to Cherrybrook shops to further access the different businesses from the class presentations. We looked at the signage of the shop, promotional activities, location in the shopping centre, the pricing of the products and services and the shop's layout.

Bakers Delight has been our franchise business model and therefore it was great to see first-hand what we have learnt about. In a couple of weeks Miss Kerr, has organised for the owner of the Cherrybrook Bakers Delight to come into the school to speak to us about his experiences as an entrepreneur. After visiting the shop we now have a whole list of questions we plan to ask the owner of the Bakers Delight store, with more than one of us keen to know if there is any casual work available at the shop!

Shannon O'Neil and Paris Roditis



Christian Studies Commissioning Service

Thursday 20 March 2014 at 7.30pm, drama space (C2.1) Cherrybrook Technology High School. The Christian Studies program here at Cherrybrook Technology High School is provided by the Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Christian Education Association on behalf of the local Christian churches. Each year they hold a Commissioning Service for the Christian Studies program at Pennant Hills High School and Cherrybrook Technology High School. This year, the Commissioning Service is being held here at Cherrybrook Technology High School in the drama space (C2.1). CTHS students are involved, providing the music and giving talks. CTHS staff, parents and students are warmly invited.

Mr Murphy, Christian Studies Teacher



National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy 2014

LETTER TO PARENTS

In May 2014 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN has the support of all State and Territory Education Ministers and will assess the literacy and numeracy skills of students across Australian schools.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Background information (student name, gender, date of birth, language background and Aboriginality) will be collected as part of the National Assessment Program. This information is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that every student's right to privacy is maintained.

The NAPLAN tests will be conducted from 13 - 15 May 2014.

TUESDAY 13 MAY	WEDNESDAY 14 MAY	THURSDAY 15 MAY
Language Conventions	Reading	Numeracy
(Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar)		(Number, Algebra, function
		and pattern; Chance and data;
Writing		Measurement and Space)

In the Numeracy tests students do not require any measuring tools such as rulers or protractors. In Years 7 and 9 there will be two Numeracy tests: one where a calculator is allowed and one where calculators are not to be used. For the calculator test, the student should use the calculator that they currently use at school.

Friday 16 May - A 'catch-up' day is scheduled for students who missed a test or were absent on a test day.

Students may be considered for exemption from the tests if:

- they are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English, or
- they have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests. Disability adjustments which reflect the student's normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, Braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are available to meet the needs of individual students.

Access to disability adjustment or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school Principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer. This is a matter for consideration by parents in consultation with the Principal. If you wish to withdraw your child from the tests, a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Please make an appointment with the Principal of the school your child attends if you would like to discuss your child's participation in NAPLAN.

Additional information about NAPLAN can be found at www.nap.edu.au/NAPLAN/Parent Carer support/index.html.

CREATIVELY SPRUIKING

The end of Week 7 of Term 1 already! How did that happen? The pace of life at Cherrybrook Technology High School is set to break the sound barrier! But occasionally you can spot one of the inhabitants of this fine north western educational facility actually slowing down (momentarily, I hasten to add) to what might commonly resemble the speed of light. For an informal columnist such as I, this provides the perfect opportunity to pounce upon an unsuspecting interviewee for a lightning fast look in upon the rehearsal process for *The Wiz*. Such an opportunity was thus provided when I glanced up from my computer screen to see my colleague, Miss Holt, gently grazing and, as luck would have it, between bites of her incredibly healthy looking Greek salad!

"Ah, hah!" I exclaimed, at which point a half digested olive lodged firmly across my somewhat startled co-worker's wind pipe! Thank goodness for those periodic first aid courses which are mandatory for all government employees. After the aforementioned particle of lunch matter was extracted from Ms Holt's trachea by a friendly member of the Science staff who was apparently entirely comfortable with the whole procedure and a nice settling cup of tea was procured from the kitchen, I put forward my request "A few words perhaps for this week's network article about the forthcoming musical extravaganza? And the rest, as they say, is written in print as follows:

"I love The Wiz!" explains Ms Holt who brims with delight when she contemplates the extraordinary performances that are being carved out as the weeks dissolve, to reveal the most finely interpreted roles that are likely to be seen this side of the proverbial Black Stump. "The music is upbeat and funky and it helps that the story of *The Wizard of Oz* is so popular and well known. Working with such talented actors, singers and dancers has been a lot of fun and it's great seeing it all come together. The set is taking shape with half a house now occupying quite a lot of space in Mr Maynard's art demountable and the costumes promise to be dazzling.

With some very spirited dashes to Spotlight and beyond, with a reluctant teenage son in tow, Miss Holt has succeeded in accruing a mass of Oz style paraphernalia.

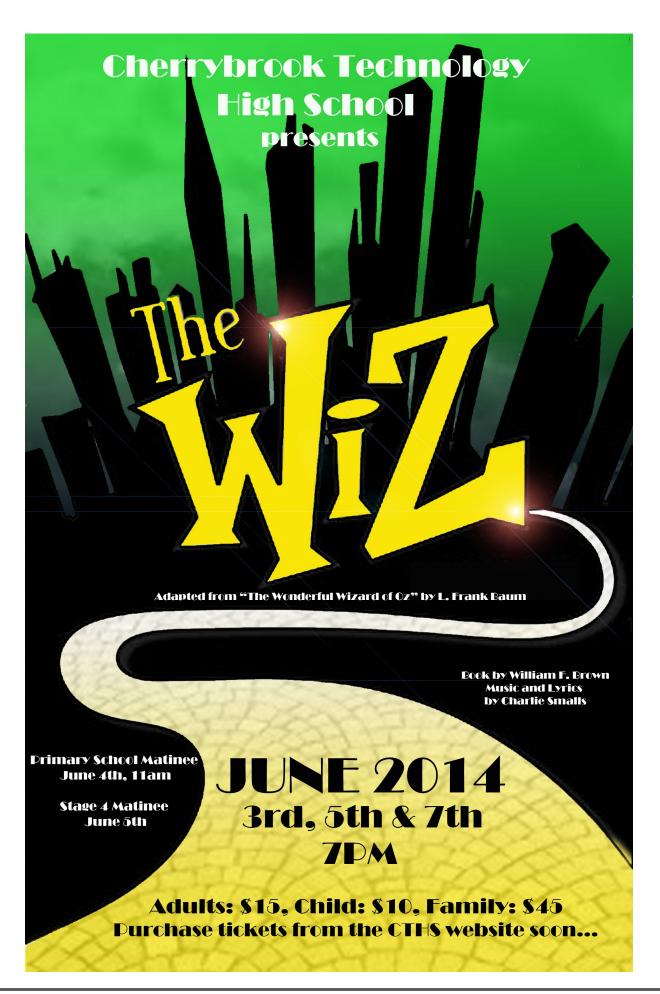
She comments further "I can't wait to see the green Wicked Witch of the West and her sixty or so minions performing the rockin' song, 'No Bad News' because it's the biggest number in the show and is sure to be a real crowd pleaser.

With this year's costume extravaganza, *The Wiz* tipped to make it a "two years in a row" for Aussie designers at the Academy Awards. It's move over Baz's *The Great Gatsby*, we are following the yellow brick road all the way to the red carpet!

Ms Cannon, CAPA Publicist

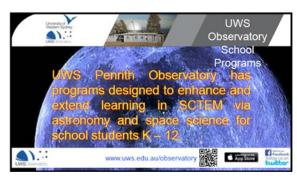
(Please note: small sections of the above information have been embellished strictly for the purposes of heightened audience engagement, no CTHS staff members were injured during the course of procuring the aforementioned interview)





CAREERS UPDATE





Do you and your kids love the stars? Could you encourage their love of space science? UWS Observatory has a Public Astronomy program with Night Sky viewings on selected Saturday nights. Go to:

http://www.uws.edu.au/observatorypenrith/uws observatory - penrith campus/whats on

UNSW Engineering Student Parent Information Night

Wednesday 19 March, 6 - 8pm, UNSW Kensington Campus, John Niland Scientia Building. Register at http://www.engineering.unsw.edu.au/student-parent

Ten Ways an Arts Degree can Change the World

This article by the Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences at the University of Sydney, Duncan Ivison, highlights ten ways studying arts and social sciences can change the world. http://sydney.edu.au/arts/donors/change_world.shtml

University of New South Wales: Science Parent and Student Information Session

Wednesday 26 March, 6:30 - 8:30pm, Leighton Hall, UNSW Kensington Campus. This information night, for Year 11 and 12 students and their parents, will introduce the Faculty of Science, give an overview of the science programs on offer and provide information about student life at UNSW. http://science.unsw.edu.au/events/infonight

University of New South Wales and University of Sydney Foreign Language Partnership

Under a new partnership between the University of New South Wales and the University of Sydney, students at UNSW will be able to study Indonesian, Modern Greek and Italian at the University of Sydney from 2015 onwards. http://sydney.edu.au/news/84.html?newsstoryid=12981

University of Technology Sydney: New Degrees on Offer in 2014

New degrees on offer from the University of Technology Sydney include the Bachelor of Creative Intelligence and Innovation, the Bachelor of Arts in Communication (Digital and Social Media) and the Bachelor of Design in Landscape. http://newsroom.uts.edu.au/news/2013/11/new-frontiers

University of Technology Sydney: Science Work Experience for Year 10 and 11 Students

Monday to Friday, any week during the UTS teaching semester. UTS Science has a work experience program that aims to give students an overview of the facilities, teaching and research at UTS, as well as an introduction to tertiary science. Areas covered include chemistry and forensic science, the environment, physics and advanced materials, and medical and molecular biosciences. Contact: Mrs Debbie Massey on Debbie.massey@uts.edu.au or (02) 9514 2227.





University of Sydney: Museum Work Experience Program

Applications are now open for University of Sydney's 2014 Work Experience Program. This program places students with the Public Programs team where they receive experience working in the fields of research, administration, events and collection management. Placements are open to secondary school students in Year 10 and run for three days. To apply, send a resume and short cover letter to the Public Programs Assistant. Contact: museums.education@sydney.edu.au or (02) 9351 8746. http://sydney.edu.au/museums/visit-us/get-involved.shtml

Academy of Interactive Entertainment: Work Experience Program

The AIE is currently taking expressions of interest for its Work Experience Program. The program is for students in Years 10 - 12 and aims to teach them about interactive entertainment and digital industries. Activities include 3D animation, programming, QA testing and more. http://www.aie.edu.au/StudentInformation/workexp

HSC Practical Examination Calendar Now Available

The calendar for 2014 HSC practical examinations has been released, and some dates have changed from 2013. Changes of note include the hand-in date for IT major projects (3pm on Thursday 7 August) and the hand-in date for design and technology major projects (3pm on Thursday 21 August). Contact: examsupport@bos.nsw.edu.au or (02) 9367 8105. http://news.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/index.cfm/2014/2/7/HSC-Practical-Examination-Calendar-now-available

Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Bower

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WEEKLY SPORTS REPORT



Knock-Out Sport Results:

- Round 1 open boys' water polo North Sydney Knock-out Competition, CTHS 4-5 Galston High School
- Round 1 open girls' water polo North Sydney Knock-out Competition, CTHS 3-5 Galston High School
- Knock-out netball girls won by 3 points against Mackellar Girls
- Knock-out tennis boys played against Homebush Boys HS and were defeated by 3 games
- · Knock-out tennis girls defeated Carlingford

Good luck to:

- Knock-out boys' basketball who will be playing North Sydney Boys next Monday 17 March
- Knock-out boys' volleyball who will be playing Freshwater High School on Monday 17 March as well
- Students involved in Sydney North Swimming which will be held next Tuesday
- Jarrod Baker who is representing CTHS at the Sydney North Baseball competition

Reminder:

 Athletics Carnival will be held on Wednesday 19 March. Students should buy the bandanas in their respective house colours for \$4 to show house spirit and passion!!

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday 18 March: Sydney North Swimming Carnival Wednesday 19 March: School Athletics Carnival

Sunday 6 - Tuesday 8 April: CHS Swimming Monday 7- Tuesday 8 April: CHS Diving

2014 Sydney North Trials: If you are interested, please see the PE staff in the PE staffroom for further information.

Thursday 20 March:

Tuesday 25 March:

Wednesday 26 March:

Tuesday 1 April:

Tuesday 1 April:

Wednesday 2 April:

Boys' soccer trials

Girls' hockey trials

Boys' hockey trials

Wednesday 2 April:

Girls' Knockout Netball

Thursday 3 April: U15 AFL trials Friday 4 April: Open touch trials

Julieanne Chu and Lloyd Caletti, Sports Promotion Officers

Grade Sport Results Round 4 Opposition - Turramurra

Round 4 Opposition - Turramurra Event Result		
Boys		
Opens Basketball A	Lost	
Opens Basketball B	Lost	
Basketball 9/10	Lost	
Frisbee A	Lost	
Frisbee B	Won	
Volleyball A	Won	
Volleyball B	Won	
Sofcrosse A	Won	
Handball A	Lost	
Handball 9/10	Lost	
Touch A	Won	
Touch B	Won	
Hockey 7's A	Won	
Hockey &'s B	Won	
Soccer 7's A	Lost	
Soccer &'s B	Lost	
Girls		
Open Basketball A	Lost	
Frisbee A	Lost	
Frisbee B	Lost	
Volleyball A	Won	
Volleyball B	Won	
Sofcrosse A	Won	
Handball A	Won	
Handball 9/10	Lost	
Touch A	Lost	
Touch B	Lost	
Softball A	Lost	

McBeaths PHARMACY

Cherrybrook Village Shopping Centre Shepherds Drive, Cherrybrook NSW 2126 Phone 9875 1999 Fax 9484 5158 OPEN 7 DAYS



Dear Fellow Cherrybrook Resident,

McBeaths Pharmacy Cherrybrook is a locally owned pharmacy and has been part of the community for almost 25 years. Jo and I have now been working in the pharmacy for almost ten years. We live locally and our children attend local schools and participate in local clubs and sporting teams.

Many of the staff we employ are residents of Cherrybrook. Each year we support various Cherrybrook community events and functions.

We welcome the opportunity to discuss any questions you have about your health or your medications. Conditions for small business are not easy and, as a part of your community, we would appreciate your support!

Warwick Best Manager

Golden Kangaroos

Are you a musician or dancer who would like to try something a bit different? Would you like to march in the ANZAC Day march in the city?

The Golden Kangaroos are looking to increase their membership in the marching band and are looking for people interested in joining the Auxiliary Corps (Dancers and flag bearers), Drum Corps or as wind musicians. Now is a great time to join the band as the focus is on the basics of marching in preparation for the



big ANZAC Day March in the city. Once the thrill of marching in such a special event in front of tens of thousands of spectators has subsided the band then focuses on more complex routines in preparation for spring, when most engagements requiring routines occur.

The Golden Kangaroos Hornsby Concert Band consists of a beginner band, intermediate and senior concert bands, a marching band, a stage (jazz) band and a number of smaller ensembles and welcome musicians of all levels and ages.

For more information visit www.gks.org.au or contact the band at membership@goldenkangaroos.org.au or on 9868 3289



DIARY – Term 1 Week 8B		
Monday 17 March	Yr 11 Food Technology in-class Asses Task	
	Yr 11 Standard English Asses Speech	
	Stage 6 ARTEXPRESS Excursion	
Tuesday 18 March	Sydney North Swimming Carnival	
Wednesday 19 March	CTHS Athletics Carnival	
Thursday 20 March	CTHS Athletics Carnival (half day)	
Friday 21 March	Morrisby Careers Testing	
	Yr 11 Geography in-class Asses Task	
	Yr 11 Community & Family Studies in-class Asses Task	
	Yr 11 Standard & Advanced English Asses Speech	

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