

CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL



Week 6A

6 June 2014

### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



#### The Wiz

Stunning singing and dancing, a fabulous orchestra, brilliant acting and a superb set, created a wonderful theatrical experience for the many members of the school community who, this week, saw our musical, The Wiz.

Congratulations to all students involved in the outstanding production of this very well known musical.

Apart from the wonderful work of the students, I would like to extend a special thank you to the many members of staff, led by Mr Jones and Miss Holt, who did an absolutely wonderful job preparing students for the show and ensuring all facets of the production ran smoothly.

At the time of writing, there were still a small number of tickets available for the final performance on Saturday night 8 June. Tickets can be booked online via the website, or alternatively purchased at the door.

#### P&C Meeting Tuesday 10 June

Reminder to all members of the community, our next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday night 10 June in the staff common room, commencing at 8pm. These evenings are a great opportunity for parents to learn more about what is happening at the school and to meet other parents in our very large school community.

As well as our usual agenda items, Mrs Stark will speak about our Gifted and Talented programs and Mr Hind will speak about the role our learning support team plays in the school.

#### Visit from Dubbo English Teachers

Earlier this year, as part of an initiative to assist country high schools improve their student outcomes in English, Mr Henry, our Head Teacher English, visited three schools in Dubbo NSW. During the visit, Mr Henry witnessed classes being taught and reviewed teaching programs, assessment practices and texts, then provided advice which he believed could be helpful to the schools.

This week we had the pleasure of hosting a return visit with a representative of each of the Dubbo schools spending time at Cherrybrook. Hopefully, this exchange has accorded benefits to students at all schools including Cherrybrook.

#### Year 11 High Achievers' Morning Tea

Wednesday recess provided an opportunity to congratulate 22 Year 11 High Achieving students, each of whom received outstanding reports following the recent AP1 examinations. Students enjoyed a fine morning tea and discussed their plans for the future with the school Senior Executive, their Stage Head Teacher and their Year Advisers.

Christopher Armstrong, Gilbert Choi, Sarah Collins, Mazishtaa Dorabjee, Eliseus Feng, Stasia Hendrawan, Stella Hendrawan, Alyssa Hutchings (not photographed as she was participating in the Zone Athletics Carnival), Madeleine Johnson, Marcus Lee, Katie Lim, Darren Lim, Vidhi Nanda, Hassan Naveed, Haswin Nissanga, Chirag Rao Sahib, Merle Runde, Ashley Sas, Stanton Tam, Lakni Weerasinghe, Kevin Xi and Jasmine Yang.



















The Wiz

#### Student Computer Access for Year 9 in 2015

During 2014 the school commenced a BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) program for Year 9 students. This program allows students to bring their own computer devices to use in class, at school. Due to the overwhelming success of the program, we are continuing this for Year 9 next year.

Over the coming months we will be sending you details of the way in which your child will need to use computers in the school in 2015, including device requirements and purchasing options. This information will be provided by email, through Network and the website as we move though the year.

#### **BYOD Devices - Virus and Malware Issues**

The TSOs have seen increasing numbers of Year 9 student laptops infected with viruses and malware. An obvious symptom of infection is students being unable to access the internet due to proxy settings being affected, as well as changed home page settings. It is essential that laptops have up-to-date and running antivirus software and we highly recommend that malware protection be installed as well.

If you do not wish to purchase antivirus and antimalware programs, there are many free options available, as reviewed recently by PC Mag: <u>http://www.pcmag.com/article2/0,2817,2388652,00.asp</u>

Purchased products generally offer more features, but a commonly occurring issue is that if you forget to renew the subscription, the product and definitions will not stay up-to-date and new viruses and malware will not be detected. PC Mag recently reviewed paid versions of antivirus software: <u>http://www.pcmag.com/article2/0,2817,2372364,00.asp</u>

Other tips to keeping your computer clean and your files safe:

- When downloading or installing from the internet read every step carefully as unwanted products are often bundled into other applications and downloads. Do not just choose default installation options
- Never install any programs you have not heard of, for instance pop-ups that warn that you have security issues are generally malware themselves. Always Google if you are unsure
- Never open emails or attachments from unfamiliar sources
- As a general rule do not visit disreputable websites, but be aware that malware can also come from legitimate sites that have been hacked
- Check installed programs via control panel (Windows) and uninstall any you are unfamiliar with, again Google first to confirm that they are malicious
- REMEMBER TO BACK UP! You should always back up regularly to an external drive or other location due to possible hardware failure or file corruption, but be aware that a serious virus attack may also compromise your data.

#### **Zone Athletics Carnival**

Wednesday of this week saw many of our students competing in the Zone Athletics Carnival at Homebush Stadium. On a near perfect early winter's day our students did an outstanding job representing the school, ultimately winning the carnival by only one point over Killara High. This win continues a tradition of friendly rivalry which really brings out the very best performances from all students from both schools. A full report on the carnival will follow in a later Network.

#### Police Presence in the Cherrybrook Technology High Precinct

The highway patrol has informed the school of their great concern over the observance of traffic and parking rules during school zone hours around CTHS and John Purchase Public School. For this reason police and council rangers will have a presence over the next few months to monitor driver behaviour. Please observe all traffic rules if you wish to avoid a fine.

#### Congratulations to...

• The following students who have been selected to participate in the Regional Cross Country Carnival:

Nikolas Kalimeris	Courtney Cattell	Gabby Perez	Jack Patten
Emma Seamons	Georgia Clements	Paris Roditis	Erin Blundell
Brooke Steinwede	Catalina Martinez	Clayton Anstee	Katie Driscoll
Anjana Kodithuwakku	Natalie Wong	Owen Guichelaar	Natalie Eldridge
Laura Heinrichson	Cameron Hall	Georgia Winkcup	Katie Ragusa
Eliza Woollett	Madison Hare	Jed Corbett	Robin Liu
Mitchell Baker	Emily Jones	Michael Gunn	

- Girls' knock-out basketball team who have progressed to final eight in the state following their victory over Port Macquarie this week. They had a resounding win with the final score being 69-18.
- Jin Jung, Sports Captain 2011, who has been selected to compete in the 100m relay at the forthcoming Commonwealth Games.



Jin Jung

Mr Johnson

#### Future Problem Solvers off to America!

On Sunday 8 June, seven of the brightest and most talented Year 11 students from Cherrybrook Technology High School will be flying to the United States to represent Australia at the International Future Problem Solvers Competition. The team, consisting of Chris Armstrong, Merle Runde, Yousef Hakimi, Lakni Weerasinghe, Lisa Qin, Eric Windsor and Marcus Lee, earned their place at the International Finals after their success at the Australian National Finals in Perth in 2013.

The Future Problem Solvers Competition is a gifted and talented program which provides an opportunity for students to develop critical, creative and futuristic thinking skills with an emphasis on cooperative learning. Schools from across the globe will be competing in the competition which will take place at Iowa State University.

Miss Wilson



#### Year 12 Hospitality

Despite the cold and wet weather yesterday Year 12 Hospitality made a range of great salads that everybody enjoyed eating. The Spinach, Bacon and Crouton Salad was an interesting twist on the traditional Caesar Salad. However, the favourites were the Noodle Salad, Warm Beef Salad and the Warm Chicken Pasta Salad. Last week we had an Asian banquet that was amazing! There was a range of both hot and cold appetisers including Thai Fish Cakes, Vegetarian Dumplings, Chicken Skewers, Fried Wontons and Sushi. The only thing that could be heard when the students were eating - 'YUM!'

Mrs Lane



#### Youth Enviro Forum

Last Friday I had the pleasure of taking five students to the annual Youth Enviro Forum at Taronga Zoo. The students were selected based on their involvement with environmental projects within the school over the past two years and their connection with the Youth at the Zoo (YATZ) program. The day provided an opportunity for these future environmental leaders to network with other students from a range of schools, who have similar interests, to promote initiatives improving environmental outcomes for animals and society in general. During the day we were lucky to learn about a range of projects the Zoo runs to aid animal welfare worldwide. The highlight of the day was undoubtedly the keynote speaker, Jane Goodall. An enthralling speaker, Jane gave an inspirational speech to the young crowd about her lifetime experiences learning about Chimpanzees and their close connection to humans. She finished by asking the students present, to get involved in projects they felt passionate about, no matter what barriers they faced, to achieve a better outcome for animals and the environments in which they live.

Mr Clements



Tara Hogan, Tiffany Mabbott, Jack Fu, Yuvani Mallawarachchi and Sanna Nasir

#### **VET Work Placement**

Since the beginning of the year there has been a group of students who have been busily developing their skills in the Hospitality, Metal and Engineering and Construction Industries. These students have been putting their skills into practice by going out into the workforce for the first of two 35 hour work placements. As in previous years, students have made the most of their time in the workforce, experiencing day to day activities and building on the skills they have been working on in their VET classes.

After visiting a number of employers during the last two weeks, it is obvious this is a valuable part of the students' learning, as each student fully immersed themselves in their chosen industry, making the most of their time there. All the employers involved in the program had nothing but praise for our students, commenting on their initiative, work ethic and readiness to learn, with a number of them offering the students employment.

Work placement reinforces the importance for VET subjects as students gain skills, contacts and life experiences, which cannot be gained in other areas of study. I congratulate all our students on their efforts throughout the week and the teachers for all of their work and preparation for the work placement program and look forward to the second round of work placements in Term 4.

Mr Kerr







#### WEEKLY SPORTS REPORT



#### **Knock-Out Sport Results:**

• U15s girls' soccer defeated Cheltenham Girls High 2-0 to progress to the next round of the Bill Turner Trophy Knock-Out Competition.

#### Special mention to:

- Declan Pluim who this year was ranked equal first in the world in high jump. CTHS would like to congratulate Declan on this unbelievable achievement!!!
- All girls who competed in and won their respective 400m races which were all won by CTHS at the Zone Athletics Carnival.
- CTHS team for being crowned the winners of the Zone Athletics Carnival with 1156.50 points just edging out second placed Killara High School who finished with 1155.50 points! Congratulations to all athletes who competed and represented CTHS at the carnival.
- Alex Nguyen (U16 boys triple jump), Courtney Cattell (U15 girls long jump), Clayton Anstee (U16 boys discus) and Kate Collett (U13 girls discus) who all set new records at the Zone Athletics Carnival.

Girls: Kate Collett (U13), Courtney Cattell (U15), Emily Jones (U16).

Boys: Matthew Rose (U12), Mitchell Baker (U14) who were all crowned as age champions in their age groups.

During Super Mega Happy Week the Sports Executive team organised basketball and futsal games at recess and lunch against the School Executive team and the teachers. The Sports Executive outclassed and outplayed the School Executive in basketball winning very convincingly. However, the lunchtime futsal match vs the teachers was a different scenario as the Sports Executive were put under plenty of pressure throughout the duration of the match and were eventually defeated 6-2, but went down fighting till the end.

#### Reminder

• Sydney North Cross country is on Thursday 12 June. Please be at the bus on time at 7:30am.

#### Upcoming Events

<ul> <li>Thursday 12 June:</li> </ul>	Sydney North Cross Country Carnival.	
<ul> <li>Wednesday 18 June:</li> </ul>	Sydney North Gymnastics trials see Mrs Williams in the PE staffroom for more information	

Julieanne Chu and Lloyd Caletti, Sports Promotion Officers

#### Grade Sport Results Round 2 Opposition - Galston

Event	Result
Boys	
Basketball A	Won
Basketball B	Won
Basketball 9/10	Won
AFL A	Won
Volleyball A	Won
Volleyball B	Won
Hockey A	Lost
Rugby 16/17's	Won
Rugby 14/15's	Won
Soccer Opens A	Won
Soccer Opens B	Won
Soccer 15's A	Lost
Soccer 15's B	Won
Girls	
Basketball A	Won
Volleyball A	Won
Volleyball B	Won
Hockey A	Won
Netball A	Won
Netball B	
Netball 9/10 A	Won
Netball 9/10 B	Won
Oztag A	Won
Oztag B	Drew
Soccer A	Lost
Soccer B	Drew

#### CAREERS UPDATE

#### APM College of Business and Communication - A Day in the Life Workshop

Thursday 3 July, 10.00am - 4.00pm, Level 4, 213 Miller St, North Sydney. Learn about careers in Marketing, Event Management, Public Relations or Business Management by meeting with current students, lecturers and industry professionals. Contact: 1300 880 610 or <u>enquiries@apm.edu.au</u>, <u>http://www.apm.edu.au/about-apm/upcoming-events</u>



### Billy Blue College of Design: Discovery Day and Day in the Life of a Designer Workshop

Day in the Life of a Designer Workshop Saturday 12 July: 171 Pacific Highway, North Sydney Saturday 20 September: 46-52 Mountain St, Ultimo Immerse yourself in the process of design. Experience Billy Blue's unique approach and enjoy a day in a collaborative, supporting, like minded and inspiring environment.

#### Australian Institute of Music July School Holiday Workshops

Tuesday 1 July - Thursday 3 July, 1-55 Foveaux Street, Surry Hills This three-day workshop offers informative and entertaining workshops and master classes with industry professional musicians. The workshop provides a great opportunity for all high school students to develop their technical and ensemble performance skills and gain valuable repertoire knowledge. http://www.aim.edu.au/events/2014/music-factory

#### How can I Help my Child with Career Decisions? Use MyFuture

It's not unusual for young people to be unclear about their direction in life. Many do not even gain a sense of who they are and what they want to achieve in life until their early twenties. 'My child has no interest in careers - what next?' outlines strategies to help your child to start thinking about what they would like to do, and how you can support them in their career choices. Sometimes, just thinking about what interests and skills they already have can be helpful in making career decisions. My Career Profile takes you through activities to find out which occupations or career fields match their interests and skills. Talk to Them About Careers also contains many articles to help you introduce your child to the world of work, and take them through the first steps on their career journey.

#### HSC in the Holidays: HSC Trial Preparation Lectures

Monday 30 June - Friday 11 July. Venues: UTS Broadway, Macquarie University, UOW Wollongong and UOW Southern Sydney. Held throughout the July Holidays, the lecture program will enable students to learn essential content and methods from the most qualified teachers in NSW. In these two-hour lectures, students will learn key content from core modules, examination tips and strategies, and worked solutions to sample HSC questions. <u>http://hscintheholidays.com.au/2014\_lectures/</u>

#### Teach.NSW

This website is a very useful resource for current HSC students interested in becoming a teacher in the NSW public school system. As well as containing information about teaching as a career, the website provides details of a number of scholarships relevant to current Year 12 students. <u>http://www.teach.nsw.edu.au/</u>

## teach.NSW Public Education

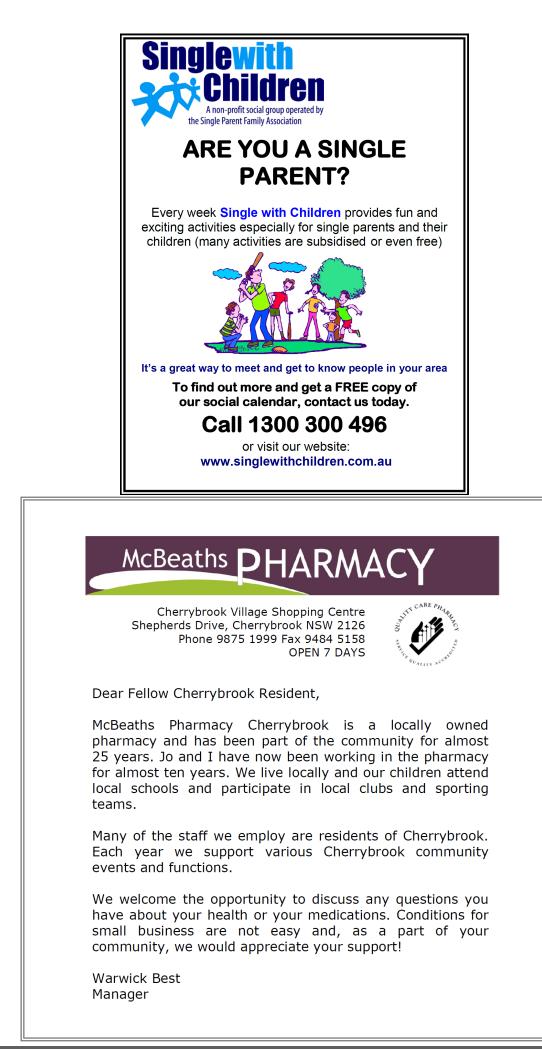
#### Price Waterhouse Coopers - Trainee Program

Applications close Saturday 14 June. This program gives students practical experience at Pricewaterhouse Coopers while they complete a three-year degree, majoring in either accounting or information technology. http://www.pwc.com.au/careers/student/programs/trainee/index.htm

Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Bower

#### PROCEDURE FOR LATE ARRIVALS

All students arriving to school after 8:40am *must* sign in at the student window where they will be issued with a late note. All late arrivals are required to have a note from their parent/guardian giving reasons for being late. No note results in a detention.





## Modern Australian Fine Dining

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#### PROCEDURE FOR EARLY LEAVERS

If a student needs to leave school early, they *must* provide a note from their parent/guardian giving reasons for their partial absence. **The student must hand the note in at the student window before 8:30am** where they will be issued with a leave pass. They can then present this pass to their teacher and leave school at the appropriate time.

On Thursdays (sport days) all students in Years 9-11 must have their early leave notes signed by a member of the PE staff before presenting to the office.

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DIARY – Term 2 Week 7B		
Monday 9 June	• Queen's Birthday Holiday	
	Yr 12 Senior Science Excursion - period 1 to lunch	
Tuesday 10 June	Yr 11 Bio Assess Task	
	P&C Executive Meeting - 7pm, 'A' Block Conference Room	
	<ul> <li>P&amp;C General Meeting - 8pm, Staff Common Room</li> </ul>	
Wednesday 11 June	Yr 12 Society & Culture Assess Task	
	Yr 12 Mathematics & General Mathematics Assess Task	
	Australian Problem Solving Maths Olympiad - 90 Stage 4 Students	
	Yr 12 Economics Research Essay	
	Yr 11 Standard & Advanced English Assess Task	
Thursday 12 June	Yr 12 Extension 1 Mathematics Assess Task	
	Sydney North Cross Country	
	Yr 12 GEC Speaking Task	
	Japanese Continuers Assess Task	
Friday 13 June	Yr 11 Society & Culture Research Task due	
	Yr 12 Modern History in-class Essay	
	Stage 5 Commerce Market Day	
	Yr 9 Reports Emailed	
	Yr 12 Drama Individual Project Assess	
	World Cup Football Match	
	Yr 11 Senior Science Assess Task	
	Yr 11 Modern History in-class Task	