

CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Term 1

Week 3A

13 February 2015

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



2015 - Well Under Way

It has been a busy start to the year at Cherrybrook Technology High School. The majority of students appear to have settled in well and new students are gradually learning to navigate their way around the school. Year 12 are working hard on assignments and assessment tasks and those with major projects should be well into the construction and writing process. Year 11 have come back looking extremely smart in their senior uniforms and appear to be adjusting to the demands of the senior school.

A reminder also, that Tuesday 17 February, from 4 - 7pm in the MPC, is the Year 12 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews. Parents are required to book online to secure an appointment with their child's teacher. Included in this issue is a flyer with instructions on how to do this.

High Achievers

One of the most prestigious events on the Cherrybrook Technology High School calendar is the High Achievers' Assembly, which celebrates the HSC achievements of the previous calendar year's Year 12. This year approximately one half of students had the opportunity to walk across the stage in front of Years 7, 11 and 12, teachers and parents, having achieved one or more of Band Six, or having achieved an ATAR greater than 90. This year, the number of students who achieved a Band Six increased which was very pleasing to see. The students of CTHS continue to achieve excellent HSC results, establishing a tradition of which we are very proud. Congratulations to all students for such outstanding results and especially to Max Lim for achieving the top ATAR of 99.85 and Erik Ostman for the second placed ATAR of 99.6.

E-Diary

All parents of students from Years 7-10, should have received an invitation to gain access to the e-diary. If you did not receive an invitation, please check your junk mail, as the email may have been directed there. We have also had a big push this week to get students from Years 7-9 onto the school network as this is their first year with BYOD, so they too can access the diary.

On visiting a few Year 7 classes, I was very pleased to see the great initiative shown by students who had already started using the e-diary to record their homework. It is hoped all students will be familiar with the diary and its use by the end of Week 4.

Further information regarding the use of the e-diary can be found at: <u>http://help.myediary.com.au</u> and click on Manual or a short introduction video can be viewed at <u>www.myediary.com.au</u>

Study Leave and TAFE Passes

Eligible Year 11 and 12 students have been issued with their study leave and/or TAFE passes this week. These passes indicate the times when students will be out of the school and need to be carried at these times. Study leave passes are to be collected from the library. However, those who are undertaking courses of study at a TAFE College will receive their passes from the Careers Advisers. Study leave passes can be applied for at any time, but are only processed in Weeks 3 and 8 of each term.

A reminder to all about the conditions of use for a study leave pass:

Students are **not permitted** to leave the school grounds at any time unless they have a study leave pass. This gives students a flexible timetable to arrive later, leave earlier or leave the school grounds to go home during a **double free lesson**. At no time are students permitted to go to the shops or leave the school grounds at **lunchtime**, or in a single free lesson. With our new electronic roll marking, Year 12 students have been reminded about signing in when leaving and arriving back at school during double lessons in the middle of the day.

Cyber Safety

A concern for all parents is the cyber world. The NSW Police have provided us with information to help safeguard children and young people online titled *Who's chatting to your kids?* - the website associated is

https://www.police.qld.gov.au/programs/cscp/personalSafety/children/childProtection/

Please download these publications if you are interested.

We are aware some students in the school have downloaded an app called *Whisper*! This is of great concern, as it enables anonymous conversations with strangers in chat rooms. You may like to check your child's phone and counsel against such situations.



























High Achievers' Assembly

Sports Uniform

Uniforms form a large part of how we wish to present ourselves to the wider community at CTHS. The school uniform has been outstanding with the majority of students complying to the uniform standards. I would also like this to be shown in the wearing of the sports uniform. Gym gear or black tights are not part of our school uniform and should not be worn **at any time** during the school day. Students have been instructed that appropriate length black shorts or black track pants are the uniform code for PE lessons and on sports day. I ask for parental support on this issue.

Parking in the School Carpark

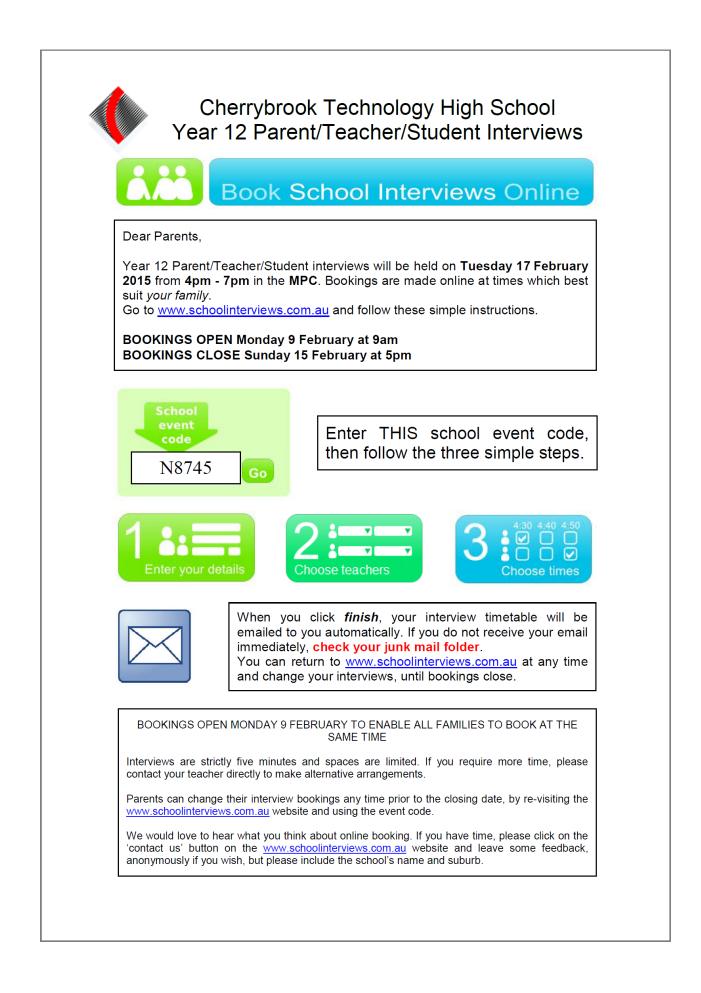
Would all parents please take note of the hours when you cannot access the school carpark. These hours are **7am - 9am** in the morning and **2.30pm - 4pm** in the afternoon. Please adhere to these hours in the interest of safety.

Valentine's Day

Happy Valentine's Day to all of you! Today there was a great deal of love and friendship shared in the roses, balloons and songs that people shared with one another. The SRC has worked tirelessly this week to sell, organise and wrap many, many roses to help celebrate the day. The SRC has determined that funds raised today will go to the Organ and Tissue Foundation. Thanks to Mrs Fletcher and the SRC team for their incredible effort this week.

Mrs Bevan





Year 11 Camp Online Medical and Dietary Form Guide

Dear Parents and Guardians of Year 11 students,

There is now a new online procedure for the submission of medical and consent forms within the NSW Dept. of Sport and Recreation.

We hope that this will make it much easier for parents and staff alike to collect and collate all the necessary information to ensure your child's needs are met to the best of Sport and Rec's abilities.

The information that Sport and Recreation needs about your child includes:

- Medical conditions
- Food related allergies
- Special diets/dietary requirements
- Medication that will need to be taken whilst on camp at Jindabyne Sport and Rec
- Emergency contact details.

Sport and Recreation needs you to complete this form on behalf of your child. The form is available online and is easy to complete. Once you submit the form it is sent directly to the centre so the staff can prepare for your child's visit.

It is vital that you enter the following details to complete the online form:

Booking Number	0438883
Booking Start Date	23/03/2015
Booking Venue	Jindabyne Sport and Recreation Centre

Please complete the Medical and Consent Form by following the link provided or by cutting and pasting it into your web address bar, by *Friday February 13 2015.*

www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/schoolcampmedicalform

Please do not hesitate to contact Mr Pedley-Smith or Miss Corbett, Year 11 Advisors, if you have any queries on 9484 2144.



Cherrybrook Technology High School App

Go to the App Store or Google Play and search for "Cherrybrook Technology High School" to download this free app. This will provide you with school information, maps, dates of upcoming events and much more, even when you are on the go. By enabling push notifications you will receive important information instantly.

2015 Cherrybrook Technology High School Ski Trip

Each year, students from Years 9-12 have the opportunity to attend the CTHS ski trip, which takes place in Mt Hotham, Victoria, during the July school holidays.

If you are interested in sending your child to this year's ski trip, please download the 2015 Ski Trip Consent Form from the school website: <u>http://www.cherrybrok-h.schools.nsw.edu.au</u>, Our School>Extra Curricula>CTHS Ski Trip.

Please return the completed form, with your deposit, to the student window by the end of Term 1.

Additional forms relating to the ski trip can also be found at this site and must be completed and submitted through the school website by the end of Term 1.

There will be a meeting for all interested parents on Wednesday 1 April at 6:30pm, in room F2.1. Please contact Miss Bleakley if you have any questions.



Miss Bleakley

A Master Class Cast

Year 10 student, Liana Holton and Year 11 student, Ryan Ashtari are part of the star studded cast who are set to grace the stage of the MPC in March in this year's school production, *The Servant of Two Masters*.

Liana is really focused on mastering the unique character of Beatrice, who is masquerading as her dead brother, Frederigo Rasponi. Her performance in CTHS 2014's production, *The Wiz* has helped her prepare for this unusual role. She comments "Having to portray a man is challenging. I need to learn how to move like a man, stand like a man and speak like a man in a convincing way. However, I am having such a great time doing it. I love acting and feel so privileged to be part of this phenomenal show".

Ryan Ashtari is making his debut stage performance as the frugal and licentious, Pantalone. Ryan made the following comments when recently asked about the show "Our rehearsals are fun and productive. We have the opportunity to experiment and animate our characters. The cast is absolutely brilliant; everybody is acting their heart out to make this show come to life".

So, stay tuned to further weekly updates in the Network about our wonderful production coming to you in Week 7. Advice regarding ticket purchase will be announced shortly.

Ms Cannon



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PRESENTS

An Adaptation of Carlo Goldini's Adults \$15, Child \$10, Family \$45 Tickets available on the School website

THE SERVANT OF TWO MASTERS

MARCH 12 & 13 AT 7PM IN THE MPC

WEEKLY SPORTS REPORT



Congratulations to ...

• All Year 7 students who participated in the Year 7 Swimming Carnival, which was a great day with a good turnout. Thank you to all Peer Support helpers as well as teachers.

Upcoming Events:

- Please keep an eye out for knockout announcements in the daily news
- First round for grade sport will begin next week, so teams, get ready for a great season!
- All intra-sports began this week; any students wishing to change their selection, must provide a signed note from their parents
- Cross-country is rapidly approaching, so get your joggers out and start training!

20 Feb	Boys' & girls' basketball trials
23 Feb	Zone Swimming Carnival
4 March	Cross country CHS
11 March	Boys' softball trials
13 March	Year 7 gala day
16 March	Girls' football trials
17 March	Sydney North Swimming Carnival
18 March	Hockey girls' trials
19 March	Touch football boys' and girls' trials
18 & 19 March	CTHS Athletics Carnival
23 March	AFL trials
24 March	Football boys' trials
27, 28 & 29 March	CHS swimming
30 March	Table tennis knockout
31 March	Rugby league trials
31 March	Hockey boys' trials
1 April	Netball trials

Sport Quote

"Find something that you're really interested in doing in your life. Pursue it, set goals, and commit yourself to excellence. Do the best you can". - Chris Evert (former world No.1 in tennis).

Zoe Anstee and Chloe James, Sports Promotion Officers

CAREERS UPDATE

Tax File Number Applications

A tax file number is a unique nine-digit number issued to individuals and organisations to help administer tax and other Australian Government systems.

The Australian Tax Office has changed the process for students applying for a Tax File Number (TFN). Schools are no longer able to process TFN application forms!

The new process involves students completing an online application form and then visiting an Australia Post Office outlet to have their identity verified. To apply for a TFN students need to visit

https://www.ato.gov.au/Individuals/Ind/Apply-for-a-TFN-on-the-web/?fb_locale=es_LA

After they have completed this form students will need to print their application summary and take this together with proof of identity documents, to an Australia Post outlet. This must be done within 30 days of completing the online form. Information on the type of Proof of Identity documents that can be used can be found at

https://www.ato.gov.au/Individuals/Ind/Apply-for-a-TFN-on-the-web/? anchor=Proof_of_identity#Proof_of_identity

Study in the USA Information Evening

Monday 16 February, 6.00pm, Redlands Hall, 272 Military Road, Mosman.

A two-hour event, which combines presentations from admissions officers with a fair, where university representatives will answer questions from parents and students.

Contact: ssalier@redlands.nsw.edu.au http://www.trybooking.com/Booking/BookingEventSummary.aspx?eid=119107

University of Sydney: A Game of Homes - How Honeybees Choose a Nest

Wednesday 25 March, 5.45pm - 6.45pm, Eastern Avenue Auditorium. Professor Mary Myerscough, from the School of Mathematics and Statistics, will explore how individual behavior can be integrated to make a colony wide decision through the example of honeybees; who scout and share new information on potential new homes for the colony by communicating through dance. Honeybees will be used to reveal how mathematical thinking helps to understand collective behavior in insects, and how this knowledge extends to computing, robotics and other animal groups, including humans.

http://sydney.edu.au/science/outreach/whats-on/forum/2015/game-of-homes.shtml

Hobsons Course Finder: Compare Ratings and Rankings

Hobsons Course Finder allows prospective university students to search through the Guide's unique five-star ratings, which cover every university in Australia. The independent ratings cover all aspects of university life and were published in the 2015 editions of the Good Universities Guide.

http://www.hobsonscoursefinder.com.au/ratings/search#.VNFuEmiUeW4

MyUniversity.gov.au

This website helps prospective uni students make informed choices about their future. MyUniversity provides students with a broad range of information about Australian universities including graduate job prospects, student satisfaction and retention rates. http://myuniversity.gov.au/

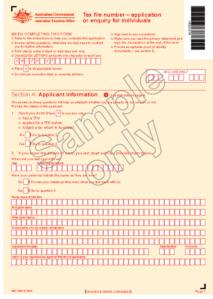
Sydney Observatory: HSC Relativity

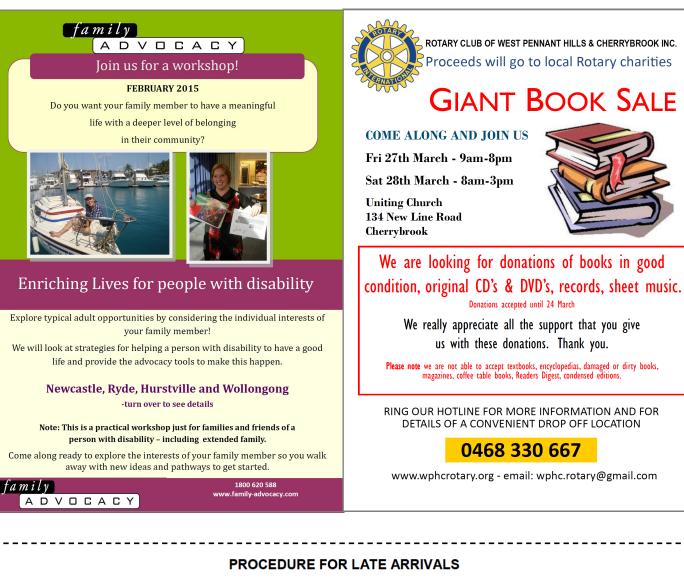
Tuesday 17 February, 6.00pm - 8.15pm, 1003 Upper Fort St, Millers Point This one night course for students in Year 11 or 12 and their teachers, introduces the fundamental concepts of relativity without the aid of mathematics. This presentation will look at the theories of modern physics, Einstein's development of the special and general Theory of Relativity. http://www.sydneyobservatory.com.au/schools-and-courses/adult-astronomy-courses/

Fire and Rescue NSW: 2015 Firefighter Recruitment

The NSW Fire and Rescue website has a large amount of information on how to join Fire and Rescue NSW as either a permanent firefighter, part-time firefighter, in a non-firefighting role, or as a Community Fire Unit volunteer. Contact: recruitment@fire.nsw.gov.au, http://www.fire.nsw.gov.au/page.php?id=2

Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Bower





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.

Golden Kangaroos

Interested in learning a musical instrument? Kids - got a clash that means you can't play in the school band this year? Parents - always wanted to learn but never had the opportunity before?

The Golden Kangaroos Hornsby Concert Band may have the solution. Our community band consists of beginner, intermediate and senior concert bands, marching band, stage (jazz) band and a number of smaller ensembles. We welcome musicians of all ages and abilities. Rehearsals are in the evenings at Beecroft Community Centre.

The beginner band will be starting at 6pm on Monday 16 February. No previous experience is required and instrument hire is available. Age is certainly no barrier with people from 7 to 70 participating in previous beginner bands, in fact often Mum or Dad end up learning alongside their children.

Ever wanted to march at ANZAC Day? The Centenary of ANZAC is a chance not to miss. Marching band rehearsals start on Sunday 22 February.

For more information visit <u>www.gks.org.au</u>, email <u>membership@goldenkangaroos.org.au</u> or phone Paul on 9868 3289

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 into 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.





BEECROFT CHERRYBROOK JNR RUGBY UNION

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN FOR PLAYERS IN ALL AGE GROUPS FROM U6 TO U17

For more details contact Nicola on **Ph: 0402 677 180** E: registrarbcjrc@gmail.com

Facebook Bee

Beecroft Cherrybrook Junior Rugby Club

Cherrybrook United Netball Club Inc.

Netball Registration Day

Saturday 14th February 10:30am - 2:30pm

West Pennant Hills Sports Club 103 New Line Road. West Pennant Hills

AGES	5 to 9 yo teams play a modified game called Net Set Go 9 to 15 year olds play in graded teams Seniors (16 - open) can register individually or as a team
WHEN & WHERE	Games are played at Pennant Hills Park Net Set Go (5-9) play on Friday nights Juniors (10-15) play on Saturday mornings Seniors (16-open) play on Saturday afternoons
MORE RMATION	 Teams train once a week at the Greenway Courts Ages 5-8 not graded (friends with same YOB can play toge: Ages 9-15 are graded teams and are required to attend grading mornings in Feb Seniors can put together own teams or we can find you a team of the series of
	For more information call Keryn on 0412 693 224

NEW PLAYERS, COACHES AND UMPIRES ALWAYS WELCOME

PROCEDURE FOR SICK STUDENTS

Students who are sick during class should see a teacher for written permission to go to sick bay. They must present themselves promptly to the **front office** and politely follow instructions from the office staff, who will then contact a parent/guardian when necessary. Sick bay is used for a short time only. Students should not call their parents in the first instance. Please refer to your diaries for further details. *Please be advised the school does not supply any medication, including pain killers, medicated creams, eye drops etc.*



VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

A reminder to all visitors there are clear guidelines regarding visiting the school and seeing staff or your child during school hours:

- Appointments to see a member of staff must be made in advance, by phoning the school
- The first point of entry to the school is the Front Office which is located in A block
- To ensure the safety of all students, visitors are not permitted to enter beyond the Front Office without prior permission
- Official visitors are required to sign in at the Front Office.

DIARY – Term 1 Week 4B	
Monday 16 February	HSC Assess Task - English Ext 2
	Music Ensembles Meeting - 7.30pm, A Block Conference Room
Tuesday 17 February	HSC Assess Task - English Ext 2
	Year 12 Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews - 4-7pm, MPC
	P&C Executive Meeting - 7pm, A Block Conference Room
	P&C General Meeting - 8pm, Staff Common Room
Wednesday 18 February	• Year 7 Camp
Thursday 19 February	• Year 7 Camp
	HSC Assess Task - Textiles & Design in-class Task
Friday 20 February	Inschool Excursion - Whitehouse Fashion Design
	• Year 7 Camp
	Peer Tutoring Training
Saturday 21 February	CTA Clash of the Titans