

CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

## Term 3

# Week 1A

# 17 July 2015





#### Welcome Back and Staff Development Day

Welcome back to Term 3, the final term for Year 11 and Year 12, as well as the beginning of new Stage 5 semester courses. It is hoped all students had a happy and relaxing holiday and have returned to us ready to face new challenges, having set positive goals for the rest of the year.

On Monday, staff participated in a day of intensive professional learning. The focus of the whole school sessions was implementing innovative technologies in the classroom. Staff were able to choose from sessions on Office 365, Audacity, DVC, Nearpod, Socrative, Moodle, Edmodo and Padlet, Movie Making and Kahoot. The feedback from staff on the day was extremely positive and students should look forward to being very inspired in the near future!

Ms Deadman, the Learning Support Teacher, showed staff the new comprehension initiative being implemented in Year 7. The program has had much success with students showing significant improvement in being able to understand what a question is asking, as well as providing strategies to find the answer. We thank the P&C as they have been responsible for buying the licence and funding staff training for this program.

#### **Building Program**

The long awaited building program was announced when the NSW Minister for Education, The Honourable Adrian Piccoli, visited the school in the last week of Term 2. This news was met with great excitement as the Project Advisory Group (PAG) has been working towards this for a significant amount of time. Upgrading of facilities will involve the refurbishment of an existing building to consolidate science laboratories and learning spaces. This will reduce the WHS risks in the transportation of chemicals and equipment, which is the case at present. The construction of a three-storey building will accommodate general and specialist teaching spaces, as well as providing additional toilet facilities for staff and students. This project will mean that a significant number of demountables will leave the school. The new building will also result in the reduction of the overall building footprint, therefore, creating valuable outdoor space.

This project is essentially addressing the significant growth, which has already occurred at the school and will improve education and learning outcomes for all students. The project is due for completion day one, Term 2, 2018.





Students jump for joy with the news of the building program approval









#### Trivia Night

The Social Justice Committee, led by Ms Tager and Ms Corbett, organised a fantastic community event on Friday 19 June. It was well attended and the night was full of fun and laughter, with much being learnt about trivial matters! Masters of Ceremonies were Merle Runde and Jack Patten who ably ran the quiz and acted as judges. The 2015 School Captains, Doris Che and Chris Swanepoel, had attended a UNHCR breakfast that morning and organised a bucket collection for refugees during one of the breaks, over \$300 was raised! The generosity of those who attended the Trivia Night raised \$1,482 for the Smiling Hearts Association Cambodia. This is our sponsored partnership school located in Cambodia. Many thanks to all the local businesses for their generous support of this event.

#### Club Parties

The culmination of the Club Parties, organised by Ms Deadman and Ms Hampe, were also held at the end of last term. Carnival theme included a giant piñata, which was made by students, and prizes were awarded as rewards for participation and attendance. The event was well attended with everyone enjoying the food and games. Thank you also to the SLSO's Raquel Bennett, Steve Flew, Jenny Conditis, Beth Ferguson, Louise Fletcher and Julie Begg for their help and enthusiasm with the event.

#### NAIDOC Assembly

Next Tuesday, CTHS will celebrate NAIDOC with an assembly held over two periods in the MPC. The assembly will be run by Year 10 and Year 11 students from the Accelerated Aboriginal Studies classes. On the agenda will be an explanation of what NAIDOC is, when it runs and why we celebrate it.

#### Upcoming Events

• 21 July - Year 10 into 11 subject selection evening in the MPC at 7pm

- 24 July School Leaders Induction Assembly in the MPC at 9.30am
- 28 July P&C General Meeting in the Staff Common Room. The PAG group will outline the building program and the Maths Head Teachers, Mr Woo and Mr Watson, will present on Mathematics at CTHS.

#### Congratulations to:

• Kayla Thomas, Ashley Searle and Emma Searle who won the NSW Schools Snowboarding Board Cross and Slalom Title at Thredbo during the recent school holidays.

Mrs Bevan

## School Carparks

Boom gates have been installed to both school carparks. Parking is available to staff only, between the hours of 7am and 4pm school days. Ample street parking is available for visitors to the school.

#### UPDATE OF PERSONAL DETAILS

It is important that parents/guardians keep the school informed of any changes to their personal details. Current contact information is essential, not only in the event of an emergency, but so we may also keep all parents/guardians up to date with their child's progress and attendance, and communicate any concerns which may arise.

If there have been any changes to your personal details, please obtain a 'Change of Student Personal Information' form from the front office or student window, complete and return as soon as possible.

Showcase







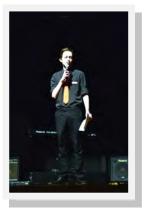














Showcase cont'd























#### **CREATIVELY SPEAKING**



#### 'Grease Lightening'

Casting for the musical continues to proceed at a cracking pace. All was a flurry at the end of last term with the casting process for *Grease, The Musical* at the stage of finalisation. Miss Holt and Mr Jones, in consultation with Mr Sirone, spent many a lunchtime and after school session with auditionees to make those important decisions about 'who gets what role'. It will be a tremendously exciting 2016 show so watch this space as the show continues to take shape.

#### **Physical Theatre Workshop**

With the HSC drama practical exam practically around the corner, our Year 12 drama students have been working very hard to get all individual projects, and group and individual performances whipped into shape.

Goldele Rayment is the Artistic Coordinator at Milk Crate Theatre and specialises in physical theatre skills. At the end of last term, Goldele ran a great three hour workshop for our Year 12 drama students on Sunday 21 June. It was wonderful to see our students responding so imaginatively to the performance principles which were being explored.

A special shout-out to Mrs Jones (School Administration Manager) who gave up her time to open the studio for us and to be on hand to attend to the venue lock up procedures. You are a gem!!!

#### **Excursion to Belvoir Street Theatre**

Forty Drama students from various year groups attended a fabulous production of Berthold Brecht's play, *Mother Courage* on the last Wednesday of Term 2. Our Stage 6 students are studying this text which looks at humanity's inability to learn from the many miseries that go along with war. The show gave the students many fantastic insights into the theatrical style of Brecht's work. It was a really great opportunity to see some of our best Australian actors live on stage and thank you to Miss Holt for her assistance on the day with the excursion.

Ms Cannon

#### Homestay Family for Japanese Student

The following organisation is looking for a homestay family in/near Cherrybrook for a Japanese university student, who will be assisting Japanese classes in Cherrybrook Technology High School.

Weekly hosting fee will be \$250/w (Includes two meals on weekdays and three meals on weekends).

For further information, please use the following contact details:

MyStage (Education and Recruitment Company) Tel: 02 9261 8914 / Mob: 0410 214 144 Email: <u>marketing@mystageedu.com</u>

Kazumi Takahashi Marketing and Recruitment Manager

# WEDNESDAY 22 JULY

# HSC DRAMA AND DANCE PERFORMANCE NIGHT



# HSC DRAMA INDIVIDUAL

PROJECTS ON DISPLAY FROM

# 6:45pm

PERFORMANCES BEGIN 7pm

GOLD COIN DONATION

#### French/German Exchange Fundraiser

This fundraiser was a perfect opportunity for the French and German students to mingle with one another, a chance to interact and get comfortable within each other's company, before our respective exchanges in September holidays. Ms La and Mr Wade were able to test their students' communication and initiative as they were plunged into the tasks that would prepare for the recess and lunch rush. Working as a gigantic team, posters were made, the canteen was set with a variety of homemade treats, the sausage sizzle was initiated and money was raised collectively for what will be a magnificent educational life experience.

We were sceptical at first about the fundraiser, and we did not believe that many people would come to the canteen to buy our food, which replaced the regular canteen food. However, it seemed like the entire school came, and the demand for our products were incredible! The croissants were a MASSIVE hit, especially the Nutella croissants, which sold out within five minutes! The other foods varied from small macarons to delicious mars bars slices, and the amount of different cakes helped attract the large crowd. The people we were working with were so helpful...it was an absolute pleasure to work like a well-oiled engine. We had a lot of fun doing work that I wouldn't do alone, like trying to frustratingly spread thick Nutella in the croissants!

Andre was guarding the sauces for the sausage sizzles, and he had to constantly ask students to step behind the line, because there was so many of them. As he watched them stand in line, Andre could see many of them desperately look over each other's shoulders, to see if there were still enough sausage sandwiches left. Fantastically, there was almost a perfect amount of sausages for each student! From what we both saw, everyone looked pleased and satisfied. We believe this was a huge success and if we could do it again, we would!

Thank you again for supporting us! We can't wait to go to France/Germany to experience a wonderful exchange in September. Until next time...bon appetit!

Andre Zainal and Sanjeev Desai, Year 10 French Students

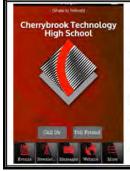












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#### **Carnival Party**

What a great day Friday 19 June turned out to be. A whole term of planning came together and a great time was had by all.

The theme of our party was Brazilian Carnival. Throughout the term, Stage 4 club students worked tirelessly to make a piñata for the party. The piñata was a colourful fish and was filled with loads of lollies. Thanks to all students who helped make it, they did such a great job! It took a VERY long time to smash it open!

The party consisted of a limbo stick and students needed to limbo in order to gain entry. There was punch, cheese pastries and also a range of colourful biscuits and cupcakes. Thanks to Erin, Taylor, Ashton, Emily and Ben for contributing the food. Miss Deadman's mum also deserves a big thank you for helping with the wonderful pink biscuits. A big thank you to Jessie for creating the beautiful PowerPoint of Carnival photographs for the day.

Samba music played all through lunch and students joined in a conga line dance loop under the limbo stick and around the outside area. Although the line was broken a few times it was still fun.

Ashton did a great job comparing the whole party and is a natural on the microphone. Emma was also a wonderful camera woman and captured a lot of video and images from the party.

The football tricks competition involved keeping a ball in the air or balancing it on your head, for the longest time. Congratulations to Tyler Mason and Jack Hill, who were the first place winners on the day.

The highlight of the day was the smashing of the piñata, which took a long time. A huge thank you to Patrick, who eventually broke it; I don't think it would have happened without you! There was quite a scrummage for the lollies; some had planned ahead and brought a plastic bag, so managed to collect quite a lot.

A massive thank you to the GA's, who assisted with the hanging of the piñata, which was quite a complex exercise. Thanks to Miss Hampe who contributed the wonderful masks and many of the decorations. Thanks also to Janette, from the front office, for contributing Miss Deadman's costume and thanks to Mrs Conditis for all the decorations and costumes. Thanks to all the SLSO's for helping with the party and all the student helpers for their wonderful assistance.

There will be another party next term and the theme will be decided by the Stage 4 Club students. Please come along and help out with preparations! Stage 4 Club runs every Thursday, lunch 1 in D1.3. Chill-Out Club runs every Friday in D1.3. Hope to see you all there.

#### Miss Deadman

















#### **Homework Club Party**

Our end of term Homework Club party took place on Wednesday at lunchtime. Everyone who had attended Homework Club this term was invited and we had an excellent turn-out. Students were treated to hot food with both meat and vegetarian options, drinks, chips, lollies and biscuits. The ice cream with hundreds and thousands was the best part of the party!

There were 14 prizes, which were awarded at the party, including iTune vouchers, a bucket of M&M's, a huge jar of Mentos and giant lollipops. Every time a student attends Homework Club they receive a ticket for the end of term draw. The more times they attend, the greater the chances of winning. Prize winners on the day included our very regular attendees, Emily, Emma, Tanmay, Ben, Mia, Ria and Charlie.

We are very happy to reward all the students who made the effort to come to Homework Club. This club is very beneficial to students as there are teachers there to assist them with their work. It is highly recommended for students who are struggling to complete homework at home, either because of time constraints, or because they are having difficulty with understanding. Homework Club runs every Wednesday at lunch in D1.3. We hope to see you all there!

Ms Deadman and Ms Hampe



















#### **Trivia Night**

Friday night of Week 9, last term the Social Justice Committee hosted a very important event in the MPC. This event challenged what people thought of the world, their school their friends and most importantly what they thought they knew about themselves. This event transported people all the way to the other side of the world, and back in time to the 60's. This event was Trivia Night. The entire Social Justice Committee would like to thank everybody who attended and supported SHAC, our sister school in Cambodia, and especially a huge thank you to George's fine meats, What's Cooking, Quatros Deli, Schocola Nuts and Chocolates, Martelli's Fruit Market and Petals and Leaves. All of these incredible local businesses donated prizes for all attendees to strive towards throughout the night, without them the exciting event would not have taken place. Lastly, thanks to Ms Corbett and Ms Tager for organising the night. To anybody who missed out, we can't wait to see you next year.

Amelia Smillie, Year 10



#### Local Living Legend Enlightens Students

Mr Jim Kelso is a local resident who kindly agreed to share his knowledge and experience with our Year 9 history class over two lessons. We have been studying World War II and Mr Kelso was 13 years old when the war broke out. He recounted Australia's involvement in the war in Europe and North Africa, as well as the impact it had on Australians at home and overseas. Our attention then turned to the Pacific and the Japanese attacks on Pearl Harbour, the Philippines and Singapore, as well as Australia's response to these developments.

In our second lesson with Mr Kelso, we focused on the Australian Home Front. We heard about the Japanese infiltration of Sydney Harbour, attacks on Darwin, and impact of rationing on citizens. Men were required to contribute to the war effort and women broke down barriers by performing work that was traditionally the domain of men. The American troops stationed in Sydney broke down barriers also.

To consolidate their knowledge, students wrote a letter to 'their brother' who was fighting in New Guinea, telling them about life at home in wartime Sydney.

Mr Brown



#### MPC Being Torn Apart!

Major work is currently underway to upgrade and improve the audio-visuals in the MPC. This includes new management systems, wiring, on-stage mixer, wireless system lectern, computer and three new data projectors for the three new screens being installed. Below are some photos to give you an idea of the work being done.

Mr Taylor



#### **NSW Orienteering**

Melissa Annetts, Year 11, has been selected to represent NSW Schools at the Australian Orienteering Championships to be held in Ballarat, Victoria during the September/October holidays. Melissa will compete in eight events in eight days, ranging in length from 2km to 7km. She will represent NSW Senior Girls in the Australian School Sprint, Individual and Relay events as well as compete in the W17-20 Elite Australian Long, Middle and Sprint events. The historic gold mining fields around Ballarat offer excellent orienteering courses, challenging navigation in the confusing maze of gold mining fields and fast running in the sparsely treed bush. The Australian Sprint, a World Ranking Event, will provide an opportunity for spectators to watch the best orienteers in Australia as they race through the streets and parks of Ballarat. We wish Melissa all the best.

Mr Annetts



#### 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.

#### **CAREERS UPDATE**

#### The Western Sydney Careers Expo

The Western Sydney Careers Expo was an informative and enjoyable event attended by Year 10 and 12 students. We had the opportunity to speak to representatives from universities such as USyd, UNSW, UTS, Macquarie, UWS and Notre Dame, as well as interstate universities, TAFEs and private organisations. The Careers Expo allowed high school students to explore what universities have to offer, ranging from ATAR requirements, scholarships, early acceptance offers and alternative methods of entry. We also had the opportunity to attend seminars on specific careers or HSC study skills.

As soon as we entered the Exhibition Centre, we were surrounded by many career prospects and further opportunities. With stationery, brochures, mugs and carry bags constantly flying from student to student, the day was more than a day of advertising; it was a day of prospects, ideas and practical enlightenment.

Personally, the day was a great asset to all of our futures and I highly recommend this to future students.

Zack Assifi

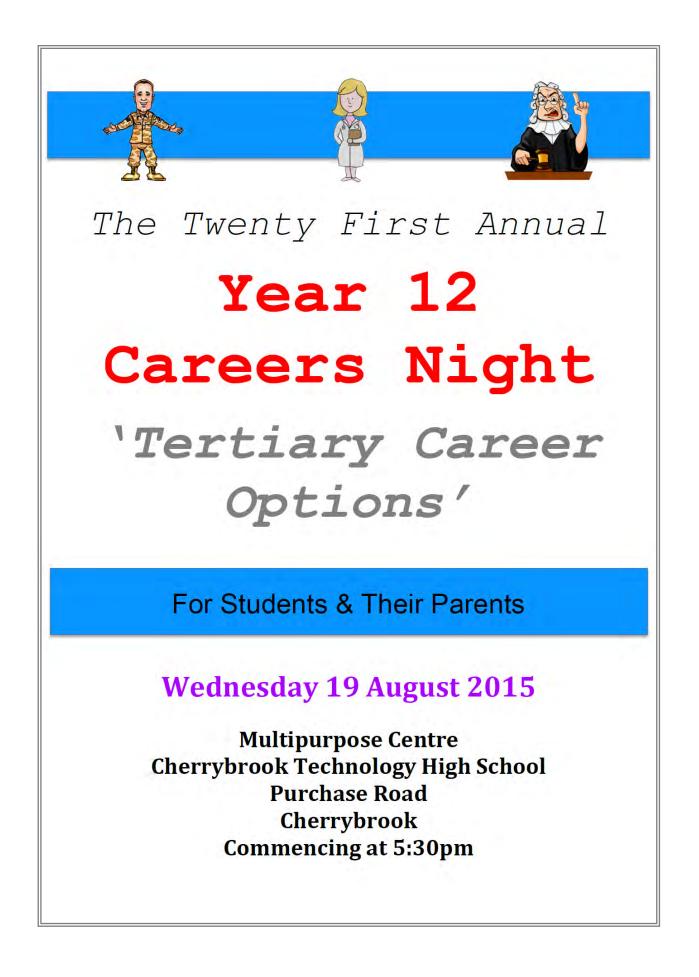


#### Metals and Engineering Awards

Congratulations to Jarred Gardyne, Year 12, who placed second in the School Based Apprenticeship category of the Metals and Engineering Industry Awards in June. To be acknowledged by industry experts is testimony to his dedication and suitability to this career field.

Mrs Bower and Mrs Ferguson





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CALENDAR - Term 3 Week 2B	
	Sydney North Athletics Carnival
	<ul> <li>HSC Assessment Task - Modern History hand-in Task</li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>Year 10 into 11 Subject Selection Evening - 7pm, MPC</li> </ul>
Wednesday 22 July	Year 12 Biology Excursion
	<ul> <li>Prelim Assessment Task - Visual Arts in-class Task</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>HSC Drama &amp; Dance Performance Night - 7pm, C1.1</li> </ul>
Thursday 23 July	• Chemistry Quiz
Friday 24 July	<ul> <li>School Leaders Induction Assembly - 9.30am, MPC</li> </ul>