

# NETWORK

CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Term 3

Week 6B

21 August 2015

## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



### AP4 Exams and the Road to the HSC

Often students feel a great relief when trial exams are over and give themselves a well-deserved break. While a short break can be healthy for many students, it can become a negative experience for some who find it very difficult to re-engage with study on any level. The best way to overcome this is to attend school regularly and continue to complete work as suggested by classroom teachers. Some students work harder than they ever have for the AP4's and so have a real opportunity to build on their knowledge as they move towards their final HSC exams.

Students sometimes find receiving their exam results a traumatic experience. It is important to keep everything in perspective. If you have not performed as well as you expected, redo your paper to find out where you went wrong, use your mark as a learning experience and seek feedback from your teachers. For those who have achieved to their potential, well done and keep up the good work!

### Science Week

Science Week started with a bang with the finals of the Bridge Building Competition held on Monday at lunch where a huge crowd watched the proceedings in the Pavilion. The winning group of students will represent the school in the Aurecon Bridge Competition to be held at the Art Gallery in 2016. Thank you to Mrs Yang who organised this exciting activity, which continues to draw a great deal of interest from students. A more detailed report on the activities of the week follows.

In news just to hand, the results of the Titration Challenge from a few weeks ago have just been received. Michael Italiano, Rushil Athvale and Jeffrey Bounpraseuth achieved twenty ninth out of 371 participating schools in the state. Just quietly, I have it on good authority we managed to beat a number of fancied selective schools in our area. A very big thank you to all members of the science KLA who have supported the activities this week.

### Tertiary Career Options Night

On Wednesday evening the MPC was busy with students from Cherrybrook Technology High School, as well as students from ten surrounding government and non-government schools for the annual Pathways to University Information Evening. TAFE and various universities displayed their opportunities to students with informative talks given regarding scholarships and the procedures for enrolling in these institutions. Representatives from UNSW and Macquarie University also gave excellent overviews of Pathways to University. Special thanks go to Mrs Ferguson, Mrs Bower and the team of local school Careers Advisors for their organisation of the evening.

### Eye on my Future Mentoring Reference Group

On Thursday morning I had the pleasure of sitting in on a Careers Mentoring Group meeting to discuss a new mentoring initiative we are looking to introduce in 2016. Teachers present were from a number of surrounding schools who spoke glowingly of benefits of running such a program. The *Eye on my Future Mentoring Group* will involve a targeted group of Year 11 students who are paired with a range of people involved in like industry groups to learn and share experiences of the world of work and future options. It is an exciting initiative and one I will provide more detailed information about on a later date.

### The Partners in Learning Parent Feedback Survey

In last week's *Network* there was a flyer advertising our school's participation in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey. The survey asked parents and carers questions about different factors which are known to impact student wellbeing and engagement.

The survey is conducted entirely online, completely confidential and typically takes only fifteen minutes or less to complete. The parent survey can be completed anytime between now and Friday 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. However, your responses are very much appreciated.

Unfortunately the link within the PDF document last week was not an active one, but if you would still like to complete the survey the link is as follows:

[https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j\\_acegi\\_security\\_check?j\\_username=parent16917&j\\_password=Che8592](https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j_acegi_security_check?j_username=parent16917&j_password=Che8592)

The link is also available on our website under 'Information/Tell Them from Me Survey'. If all this fails, you can go directly to the following website: <https://www.tellthemfromme.com/login.htm> and enter the login details as listed below:

Username: parent16917

Password: Che8592

## SRC Mufti Day

A hugely successful mufti day was held on Wednesday. The theme for the day was *Warm + Cosy Wednesday* supporting Father Chris O'Reilly's *Youth off the Streets*. Almost \$4,000 was raised on the day for this very important cause. The SRC would like to acknowledge the support of George's Meats at Cherrybrook Village for providing the sausages for the sausage sizzle on Year 12 Careers Night and Eagle Boys Pizza at West Pennant Hills for the timely provision of the many pizzas sold on *Warm + Cosy Day*.

Mr Clements



## International Day

International Day is just around the corner! To mark this annual event, we will be hosting a number of multicultural assemblies to celebrate the cultural diversity of our community. At these assemblies, we will have several colourful dances from Japan, India and Sri Lanka, musical performances in Korean and Japanese and even a beautiful harp instrumental. All items will be brought to you by our talented and diverse student body of Cherrybrook Technology High School. Just to remind everyone, Years 7-9 will attend their assembly during period 2 and Years 10-12 will attend during period 4. Furthermore, for the very first time CTHS will be hosting an International Day Evening Show for the friends and family of our community. This assembly will take place at 7pm on International Day (Tuesday 25 August). If anybody is interested in attending this special event, please tell your child to contact Mr Ibarra in the PE staffroom prior to International Day. We hope to see you all there!

Sapna Mistry and Bertin Huynh, International Relations Representatives



# INTERNATION DAY 25/8/15 FOOD STALLS

International Day is a school wide celebration of multiculturalism, and a fun day to celebrate all our different cultures! International food stalls will be open during the day, and all proceeds go to the Social Justice Committee. On the day you can also wear traditional or cultural clothing, so don't forget your gold coin!

**INDIAN – D2.19**

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**CHINESE – D2.16**

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**FRENCH – D2.11**

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**JAPANESE – D2.15**

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**MALAYSIAN E2.5**

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**KOREAN – E2.3**

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**GELATO –  
OUTSIDE LIBRARY**

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**GERMAN BBQ -  
PAVILLION**

REMEMBER TO BRING  
YOUR MONEY SO YOU  
CAN PURCHASE SOME  
FOOD AND SUPPORT  
THE SOCIAL JUSTICE  
COMMITTEE!

## SCIENCE WEEK

### Year 8 Bridge and Year 9 Tower Competition Finals

On Monday 17 August, the winners of the Science Bridge Building Competition competed in the finals. Ten teams from Year 8 built bridges and twelve teams from Years 9 built towers in 30 minutes during period 4. These students demonstrated excellent teamwork as they constructed their structures out of straws, skewers, paddle pop sticks and tape. The lunchtime testing and judging attracted a large number of staff and enthusiastic students to observe the bridges being put under load using a bucket being gradually filled with water or adding weights until they collapsed. This Stage 5 activity has developed problem-solving skills and promoted lateral thinking. Many thanks to Mrs Yang for her hard work organising this program.

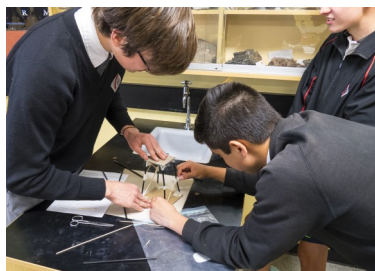
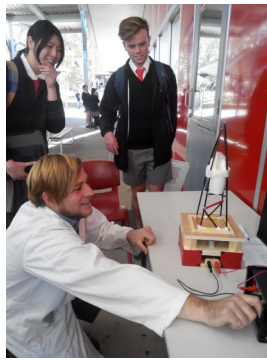
#### Winners:

##### Year 8

- First place: Matthew Sweatman, Jordan Anderson, Ross McRobb and James Bainbridge from 8SCIO with a bridge holding a weight of 4 kg
- Second place: Jeremy Lee, Shane Harvey, Oliver Ross and John Shandley from 8SCIE with a bridge holding 3.5kg
- Third place: Sara Khorasani, Rosa Lee, Emily Lan from 8SCIC with a bridge holding 3 kg.

##### Year 9

- First place: Antonio Lee, Joseph Jacob and Ojas Bhandari from 9SCIJ with a highest score of 9,990
- Second place: Thomas Marshall, Bailey Jackson, Dinitha Senevirathne and Jeffrey Seto from 9SCIH with a score of 9,320
- Third place: Konrad Cuevas from 9SCII with a score of 8,690.



## SCIENCE WEEK (cont'd)

### Science and Maths Expo

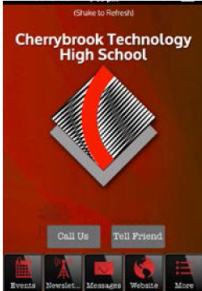
On Friday 14 August over 50 Year 10 students attended a Science and Maths Expo organised by Mr Watson. The Science Expo was an excursion many people were looking forward to and we had a learning experience which was like no other! The Expo was held at the University of Western Sydney and the place was filled with great science stalls, amazing people and great food as well! When I heard there was going to be a presentation, I was very sceptical. However, there was a great presentation by 'Fizzics Education' and there was an explosion of colour with a laser show. Unexpectedly, I had heaps of fun! We were able to handle different reptiles and observe the creation of unusual chemicals as well as talk to a representative from the museum, who explained about the fascinating animals which once roamed Australia. During our break, many of us sat down and talked about things we saw and by the end of our long talks it had been almost an hour! All-in-all, it was great to spend time with friends surrounded with a subject in which we share a common interest! Absolutely deluxe!

Andre Zainal, Year 10



### 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.



**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.

### Pulse ... 2015

Sixteen students from the Choir/Vocal Ensemble were selected to participate in this Arts Unit initiative, *A Showcase of Excellence* featuring NSW Public Schools in choir, music, dance, drama and public speaking.

The Pulse journey began twelve months ago with an audition video, which secured their place in the massed choir of which two of our students were also selected as soloists, Elizabeth Wongso, Year 7, and Luke Ede, Year 10.

Since then, students have been working tirelessly learning six pieces from the set repertoire, amongst them *Lullaby* and *Blame it on the Boogie*. Apart from the weekly in-school practices with Felicity Tsoltoudis, they also attended combined rehearsals alongside fifteen other high schools in exotic venues such as Glenbrook Public School, Winmalee High School and finally the Sydney Opera House. The singing with rhythmic choreography was a big hit, not to mention food sharing and meeting new friends during the breaks.

All the arduous training eventually culminated in a spectacular concert on Thursday 13 August at the Sydney Opera House. Special thanks to driver George, who has been most patient and efficient in all weather and traffic conditions. Pulse has indeed been an enlightening experience for all involved.

Ms Lee, Music Ensembles Supervisor



### Kokoda 2016

We have had an amazing response to our proposed trip to Kokoda for next year. We have organised an information evening on Wednesday 16 September at 7pm in C2.1. The Kokoda School Trek Director, Sue Fitcher, and her husband, Wayne (Senior Tour Guide), will be in attendance to present information to students and parents. After the presentation, there will be time for questions and further inquiries. Please ensure you have expressed interest by returning the note (available on the school website) and the refundable deposit.

Mr Hartman and Miss Kerr



#### 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.

## Young Business Mind Awards 2015

The Dural Chamber of Commerce is running this program which aims to encourage, grow and recognise young entrepreneurs. Students should consider applying for the Young Business Mind Awards 2015, if you:

1. Have an excellent business acumen (such as in a school project and/ or outside the school)
2. Possess an innovative mind for business related issues
3. Are a current/future entrepreneur
4. Have distinguished yourself in employment.

For more details see Mr Caccamo in HSIE



**Do you know a high school student\* who has:**

Excellent commerce & industry acumen

Entrepreneurship

An innovative mind for business & industry related issues

Distinguished themselves in employment

# Young Business Mind Awards 2015

**Nominations close: 18 September**  
Awards presentation: 10 November

\*Participating high schools include Cherrybrook Technology High School, Galston High School, Marian College, Northholm Gramma School, Oakhill



# **CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL**

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## **HSC VISUAL ART EXHIBITION**

**(ALSO FEATURING THE 2015 TAS MAJOR PROJECTS)**

**OFFICIAL OPENING 6pm  
AWARDS PRESENTATION 6.30PM**

**26th AUGUST IN THE CTHS MPC 3pm - 7pm**  
**(FOLLOWED BY THE HSC MUSIC 1 & 2**  
**PERFORMANCE NIGHT IN C2.12 from 7pm.)**



## WEEKLY SPORTS REPORT

### Knockout Athletics

Last night, twelve athletes competed in the Sydney Round of the Knockout Athletics Competition. Against mostly private school teams in very competitive fields, our two teams performed well. The junior boys' team, Nik Kalimeris, Scott Chapman, Ryan Jones, Alex Durheim and Harish Abimanju, placed seventh with a total of 6,337 points, while our senior girls' team, Veronica Wolf, Chantrice Graaff, Kate Collett, Katie Devitt, Emily Jones, Aurora Henke and Clarissa De Freitas placed seventh with 7,745 points. Congratulations to all these athletes.



### Congratulations to the following teams:

- Boys' knockout basketball have qualified for the next round after Umina forfeited the match. The team defeated Gosford High School 42-20. Congratulations on a great result.

### Grade Sport

Congratulations to everyone who have made it into a spring grade sport team. Next week, we play St Ives for Round 1, so good luck to all teams. If you are in Intra Sport, please ensure you go to the correct sport each week.

### Upcoming Events:

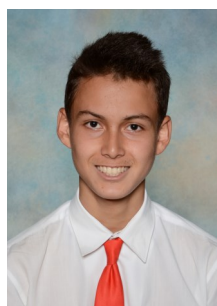
- Good luck to all students competing in upcoming events and remember to let us know your results!
- Good luck to Ella Morris, Emily Toth and Brendan Weal, who will be competing in the CHS trampolining next Thursday. We hope you jump and flip your way to an amazing result!
- Best of luck to our boys' and girls' U15 knockout basketball, who play Gosford and Asquith Girls respectively in the next round of competition.

Date	Event
Monday 30 August	Girls' U15 Knockout Basketball play Asquith Girls
Thursday 3 September	CHS Trampolining
Thursday 3 – Saturday 5 September	CHS Athletics Carnival
Wednesday 9 September	Sydney North Netball Gala Day, Stage 4
Friday 18 September	Year 8 Gala Day

### About us...

We are the new 2015/2016 Sports Promotion Officers, which means if you are competing in any sporting events, let us know and we will put your results into the *Network*. We hope you are all successful in and enjoy all of your sporting endeavours.

Emily Jones and Kurt Perry



## CAREERS UPDATE

### Year 12 Careers Night - Tertiary Career Options Evening

Thank you to all parents and students who attended the Year 12 Careers Night last Wednesday. A great deal of information was disseminated during the night. Following is the link to the CTHS website for the Tertiary Career Options Booklet. All universities and private providers can be contacted via their websites. [http://web1.cherrybrok-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/?page\\_id=2872](http://web1.cherrybrok-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/?page_id=2872)

### UAC Schools Recommendation Schemes



#### Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS)

Student applications for SRS close on Wednesday 30 September. SRS is a program enabling institutions to make early offers to students using criteria other than or in addition to the ATAR, such as school recommendations, senior secondary studies and personal awards and achievements. The *Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS) 2015* booklet for Year 12 students has been delivered to CTHS and are available to download at [www.uac.edu.au/srs](http://www.uac.edu.au/srs). See Mrs Ferguson or Ms Adamou for details

**All Year 12 students are encouraged to access this additional way to enter university**

### UAC Educational Access Schemes



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Most of UAC's participating institutions have Educational Access Schemes (EAS) to help students who have experienced long-term educational disadvantage gain admission to tertiary study. To be eligible for EAS consideration, student educational performance must have been seriously affected for a period of at least six months during Year 11 and/or 12 or equivalent, due to circumstances beyond their control and choosing. See Mrs Ferguson or Ms Adamou with completed forms. <http://www.uac.edu.au/eas/>

#### TSFX HSC Exam Revision Lectures

Saturday 19 September - Wednesday 30 September, University of Sydney, Camperdown. Each lecture will review and then extend on knowledge taught at schools, demonstrate how examination questions are marked, how answers must be presented, and finally provide attendees with detailed course notes complete with model exam responses. Lectures will be available on a number of HSC subjects. <http://www.tsfx.com.au/?hsc-program=end-of-year-revision-lectures>

#### HSC in the Holidays: HSC September Workshops

Monday 21 September - Friday 2 October, Macquarie University, UTS Broadway, UOW Wollongong, UOW Southern Sydney, University of Newcastle. Learn about the most effective way to prepare fully for the final HSC exams, clarify course content, and work through potential HSC questions in small groups and with expert teachers. Workshops are available in a number of HSC subjects. <https://hscintheholidays.com.au/2015-workshops/>

#### Charles Sturt University Pathways Options

Charles Sturt University has a range of pathway options for students wishing to gain entry into the university. This publication outlines these pathways.

[http://www.csu.edu.au/\\_data/assets/pdf\\_file/0020/15365/F4077-CSU-PLUS-Pathways-FINAL-SCREEN.pdf](http://www.csu.edu.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0020/15365/F4077-CSU-PLUS-Pathways-FINAL-SCREEN.pdf)

#### UNSW High School Scholarships Now Open

Scholarships for high school students are now open and close Wednesday 30 September. To access scholarships use the following search tool. [https://scholarships.online.unsw.edu.au/scholarship/sc\\_search.login](https://scholarships.online.unsw.edu.au/scholarship/sc_search.login)

#### University Exchange Programs

Most universities offer exchange programs, which involve already enrolled students studying for a half or whole year at a partner institution of their own university. Study abroad programs are slightly different, and do not involve studying at a partner institution; this means students sometimes need to contribute extra funds towards their tuition fees. As an alternative to exchange, some universities also offer short study tours, or the option to study at an international campus of their own. Most universities offer various forms of financial assistance to students going on exchange. Below are some links to the international study options offered by a number of universities.

Macquarie University: [http://students.mq.edu.au/opportunities/student\\_exchange/](http://students.mq.edu.au/opportunities/student_exchange/)

The University of Sydney: <http://sydney.edu.au/study/overseas-exchange.html>

UNSW: <https://student.unsw.edu.au/exchange>

CSU: <http://www.csu.edu.au/csuglobal/student-exchange>

ANU: <http://www.anu.edu.au/study/study-options/exchange-at-anu>

#### Australian Theatre for Young People: School Holiday Workshops

Audition Monologue Techniques: Monday 21 September - Wednesday 23 September, 10.00am - 4.00pm, The Big Education Centre.

Investigative Scene Work: Monday 28 September - Friday 2 October, 10.00am - 4.00pm, The Big Education Centre.

Race Down Under: Monday 28 September - Friday 2 October, 10.00am - 4.00pm, The Big Education Centre

<http://www.atyp.com.au/>

Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Bower



# TRY MODERN TAEKWONDO!

**THE INSTITUTE OF MODERN TAEKWONDO HAS BEEN GOING STRONG AT CHERRYBROOK FOR 5 YEARS, JOIN OUR TEAM AND LEARN VALUABLE LIFE SKILLS. GREAT FOR FITNESS, STRENGTH, SELF-DEFENCE AND DISCIPLINE. ALL ARE WELCOME!**



### Training Times:

**Wed: 3:30 till 5pm in the MPC**

**Thu: 3-4pm for 4-7 year olds in C2.1**

**4-5pm for 8-12 year olds in C2.1**

**Fri: 3:30 till 5pm in C2.1**



Your Instructor is Mr Peter Hartman, History teacher at Cherrybrook Technology High School. In addition to being a qualified and experienced high school teacher, Mr Hartman has been a student of Taekwondo for 22 years and an instructor for 10. He has taught 3 styles of TKD including ITF and WTF.

IMT Cherrybrook was established in 2011.

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[www.imt.org.au](http://www.imt.org.au) 0433 240 004

## CALENDAR - Term 3 Week 7A

Monday 24 August	Year 8 Medieval Day - MPC HSC Visual Arts hand-in day Prelim Assessment Task - Economics Short Answer Task
Tuesday 25 August	International Day Multicultural Assembly - MPC
Wednesday 26 August	HSC Visual Arts Exhibition Opening Night Year 10 Bestreetsmart Youth and Road Trauma Forum HSC Music 1 & 2 Performance Night
Thursday 27 August	HSC Visual Arts Exhibition - MPC, 3pm-7pm Year 11 AP2 Exams Start
Friday 28 August	Year 11 AP2 Exams