

Term 2 Week 1B 29 April 2016

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Welcome Back!

Welcome back to Term 2, probably the busiest for the year! Please take time to familiarise yourself with the calendar and note key events in your diary/device. Alternatively download the school app and choose 'yes' to receive notifications and be automatically kept up-to-date. There are numerous Parent/Teacher evenings this term and bookings are essential to ensure you are able to see your child's teachers.

Uniform

As the mercury falls and the new term commences, the student body is reminded winter uniform is the correct one for the next two terms. Many students are wearing the Canterbury jackets, which can be purchased through the school website. Correct sizing can be achieved by visiting Mrs Bevan's office where

samples are available for trying on. Orders take approximately seven days to be filled. The School Uniform Code specifies the types of acceptable jackets/jumpers and does **NOT** include jackets or jumpers with hoods. The wearing of a 'hoodie' is likely to result in time spent in detention; be warned!

Solar Upgrade

The commencement of the solar upgrade began this week and will include a 90KW system being installed on the roofs of A and E Blocks. This project will achieve a substantial increase in the production of clean energy by the school, thus taking another step towards sustainability and environmental responsibility.

Staff Development Day and Staff Development Evening

Tuesday was our Term 2 Staff Development Day and two important keynote speakers were organised by Mr Clements. Dr Carmel Harrington presented evidence regarding our sleep habits. She was very engaging and compelling and cited numerous studies, which indicate we are not taking enough care of our bodies or minds due to lack of sleep or, in rare cases, oversleeping!

The second presentation was by Victoria Ingram from Batyr, which is an organisation focussing on preventative youth mental health education. It covered identifying behaviours and signs, places to obtain professional help and strategies to assist in conversing with students about our concerns.

During the last week of Term 1, staff spent Monday evening completing their compulsory Anaphylaxis and CPR training as prescribed by the Department of Education. Staff had the opportunity to practise on mannequins large and small.

Year 11 Exams

The first formal examination period for our new senior students commenced this week with Business Studies. Students are reminded to see Miss Adamou if they experience misadventure or illness as per their student handbooks. This is the first opportunity for staff, students and parents to get some real feedback on examinations and assessments in the senior school and are vitally important for preparation towards the HSC.

Japanese Exchange

On Saturday 9 April, fifteen students and three staff from Cherrybrook Technology High School took the obligatory picture in front of the departures sign, boarded a plane and departed for what promised to be a fantastic time immersed in the Japanese culture. Students experienced a homestay with Japanese families, rode on the Shinkansen (bullet train) and visited Universal Studios. Other highlights of the trip included sightseeing at Mt Fuji, shopping, visiting a temple and, of course, the outstanding cuisine only Japan can offer. A full report will be included in a future *Network*. Enough thanks cannot be offered to the staff who organised and attended this trip, Miss La, Miss Wu and Mr Henry.



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P&C General Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 3 May at 8pm in the Staff Common Room. All parents are encouraged to attend and will be welcomed with enthusiasm. Our guest speaker for this meeting will be The Hon. Damien Tudehope, Member for Epping. He will present on education in NSW and the implications for high schools such as ours.

HSC Timetables

The 2016 HSC examination timetable was released on Wednesday 27 April 2016. Students can view their personalised timetable via their <u>Students Online</u> account. Please encourage your child to login and ensure their timetable is correct. They should also check their personal details; it is important email addresses and mobile numbers are accurate as BOSTES will contact students directly via email and SMS.

A copy of the HSC Timetable, which includes the equipment list, will be available from the BOSTES website to download or print, on Monday 2 May 2016.

As in previous years, some religious holy days fall in the 2016 examination period. Students who have concerns, please seek advice by emailing hsctimetable@bostes.nsw.edu.au.

Anzac Day Assemblies

The CTHS ANZAC Day ceremonies were held on Tuesday and led by our student body. The services featured performances from the drama group and the Brass Ensemble, which were excellent. The student-led reflections were thoughtful, reflective and sombre. Full credit to Mr Hartman for coordinating this event and to all students involved.

Congratulations to...

• Hansika Muthukuda, Year 11, who has been selected for the UBS Young Women's Leadership Academy, which recognises the potential of outstanding young achievers.

Mr Townsend















ANZAC Day Assemblies



ANZAC Day Assemblies (cont'd)























Northern Sydney Public Health Unit Adolescent School Vaccination Program 2016 Year 7 and 8 Reminder

When: Friday 13 May 2016

Year 7: Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis

Year 8: Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (catch-up)

Dear Parents/Guardians

Parents/guardians who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by writing to the School Principal or phoning the school. The Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent is available on the NSW Health website at www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation.

A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at each clinic. Parents/guardians should ensure this record is kept for future reference and should not assume their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.

On the day of the vaccinations, students are advised:

- To ensure they have breakfast on the day
- If they are nervous, to talk to their teacher (this could also include their Year Advisor, Stage HT, a chosen classroom teacher or Mrs Navarro)
- They will be given a record of vaccination by the nurse, which is to be taken home to parents (it may be required at a later date, eg when starting work/work experience or travel)
- To bring a book or ipod with them as a distraction
- After their vaccination, they will be asked to sit quietly for fifteen minutes for observation before returning to class.

If you have any other queries regarding your child's immunisation history, please contact Northern Sydney Health on 9477 9400.

Mrs Navarro, HT Student Programs



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Ensembles Dazzle at the 2016 Sydney Royal Easter Show

On Wednesday 30 March, the CTHS Music Ensembles headed off to the Sydney Royal Easter Show where all enjoyed a fun-filled day with great performances, show bags, food and of course, chocolate. The Easter Show is a high-profile occasion where the music students publicly showcase their stellar talents.

The well-established Concert Bands performed with gusto and energy in their entertaining rendition of contemporary hits such as *Uptown Funk* and *All About that Bass*, whilst the newly formed Percussion Ensemble burst onto the musical scene with their innovative instrumentation, garnering a vibrant buzz amongst the audience. The Choir and Vocal Ensemble presented a fresh arrangement of popular tunes under the direction of Ms Pam Azzi (filling in for Mrs Felicity Tsoltoudis who is on maternity leave). In contrast to the heavy rock rhythms of the Guitar Ensemble, the Strings graced the stage with elegant classical favourites displaying the diverse range of skills and abilities.

Special thanks to all the Ensemble Directors for their hard work and the music staff for crowd control and instrumental supplementation. Congratulations to our enthusiastic students for their dedication and exceptional public behaviour, especially the large number of Year 7 students on their first community performance.

Mrs Lee, Music Ensembles' Supervisor

















Music Ensembles at the Sydney Royal Easter Show





















Music Ensembles at the Sydney Royal Easter Show (cont'd)

Engineering Camp

During the summer holidays, from 11-15 January 2016, I was given the opportunity to attend the UNSW Women in Engineering Camp, as one of 80 Year 11 and 12 girls selected from across the country. The week was an informative, interactive and practical experience of the engineering industry, where I was able to affirm my passions for STEM concepts and problem solving with other like-minded girls. Over the course of the camp I heard inspiring lectures from some of the most successful women in the industry, had the opportunity to network with industry professionals, and visited work sites such as Google, TransUrban and ResMed. I also got to try my hand at some of the different branches of engineering, from constructing an electronic dice, to entering a 3D virtual mine simulator, proposing a solution to humanitarian problems in the developing world, and even climbing the Sydney Harbour Bridge. Through the camp, I realised how fundamental engineering is to the future progression of society; engineering is so multifaceted and relevant that it is more of a skillset than it is an occupation. Engineers design, implement and oversee the maintenance of solutions to society's problems, and have exponentially improved the quality of life.

Doris Che, Year 12





Make a Difference Day

On Monday 4 April, we went to NSW Parliament House as representatives of the school at a Leadership Program called 'Make a Difference Day'. The events of the day promoted the importance of active citizenship. We were fortunate to participate in a series of interesting and inspiring workshops throughout the day. We spent the first hour listening to and questioning members of Parliament (from different parties) on their experiences, goals and views as politicians. After this there were group discussions on ideas such as "what we would like to change about our society" and our views on potentially lowering the Australian voting age to sixteen. The day was insightful and allowed us to further consider the roles parliament and social activism play in our world.

Caitlin Preston and Sophie Cunningham, Year 10





Homework Club Term 1

Homework Club wrapped up in Week 11 with the end-of-term party, which was held for all students who had attended the club at least once during the Term. Students were treated to a range of hot and cold food, drinks and ice-cream! Each time students attend Homework Club they receive a ticket in the prize draw and, at the end-of-term party, we award a number of prizes. This term's prizes included movie cards, giant chocolate eggs, jars of Mentos and even million dollar bills (chocolates)!!

Homework Club runs every Wednesday lunchtime in D1.3 and all students are welcome and encouraged to attend. Students can eat their lunch at the club and receive assistance with homework and assessments. They can also use computers and printers. We hope to see everyone there next term!

Miss Deadman and Miss Hampe



The Secondary School Leadership Program for School Captains

On Wednesday 23 March, Chris Swanepoel and Doris Che attended The Secondary School Leadership Program for School Captains at the Parliament of New South Wales. At this full-day program, we were given an insight into the workings of parliament and our democratic system of Government. Not only did we view the Legislative Chambers in session, but we also had the opportunity to meet with Local Members and ask them questions regarding their political opinions and personal backgrounds, leadership skills and general advice for high school students. It was very encouraging to hear that, although all coming from different walks of life, every Member we talked to was driven to take on their leadership role by a genuine desire to serve and improve their community. Also, the mutual respect that Members of differing parties had for each other outside the Chambers, was an uplifting reminder that a difference in beliefs and opinions shouldn't inhibit our ability to get along.

After lunch we visited NSW Government House where we met the Governor of New South Wales, His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (ret'd) and his wife, Mrs Linda Hurley. We learnt about the Governor's constitutional, ceremonial and community roles, and were both touched and inspired by His Excellency and Mrs Hurley's active involvement in charity organisations.



The leaders we spoke to in the program helped to improve our understanding of Australia's Government system, but more importantly they reminded us of the importance of leadership skills, and showed us that the best way to lead is by example.

Doris Che and Chris Swanepoel, School Captains 2015/16

What's your Decorating Style?

Developing the skills of an interior designer can take years, but Stage 5 Interior Design students have been working hard to defy the odds. They have incorporated the elements and principles of design and colour schemes into specific interior styles to create story boards displaying visual and tactile information for design concepts.

Students have also been mastering one point perspective drawing (a popular drawing method with designers) to draw objects upon a flat piece of paper so that they look three-dimensional and realistic. They have created interior spaces such as bedrooms and coloured the rooms in specific colour schemes.

Mrs Goykovic











Easter Party at Chill-out-Club

Friday 1 April was our Easter party at Chill-out-Club, which began with an Easter egg hunt. There were nineteen bags of eggs up-for-grabs as students followed clues such as 'better take your shoes off here' and 'the room next to J12'. We then held the egg and spoon race and for this we used plastic eggs which saved a lot of mess! Alex Ross was the overall winner.

Students then headed to D1.3 where they enjoyed decorative biscuits and marshmallow rabbits, which were made by Thursday Club students. They also enjoyed Easter eggs and cold drinks and marvelled at the beautiful decorations, put together by Melissa and Matilda, and the wonderful painted eggs and decorative biscuits, assembled by Johnny and Avinash.

Mrs Bevan judged the 'painted Easter egg' competition, won by Deziree and Lara, and the 'decorative biscuit' competition, won by Johnny, Ria and Matilda. All these students were awarded prizes.

The grand finale to the party involved smashing three piñatas, which were also made at Thursday club. The big surprise was that only two of the three piñatas had lollies in them so there was a lot of effort to smash one for no reward! A fun time was had by all!

We would like to thank all students who helped on the day and at Thursday Club throughout the term. The theme for the Term 2 party is 'Hollywood'. Students will have the chance to make costumes, decorations and food for the party, at Thursday club; we hope to see everyone there and remember, everyone is welcome. Thursday Club is held in D1.3 every Thursday lunchtime and Chill-out-Club runs during lunch on Mondays and Fridays.

Miss Deadman



















Girls' Volleyball Triumphant!

During Term 1 twenty-four girls represented Cherrybrook Technology High School in the Interschool's Representative Volleyball competition, ably living up to their team's names, *The Decimators* and *The Destroyers*. Both teams played dynamically with great enthusiasm and determination achieving many successful wins throughout the term with their weekly games enthusiastically followed by CTHS staff and students alike. I was extremely proud of their 'never say die' attitude as they gave up their free time to train and support each other, with 100% effort going into each game. Fantastic season *Decimators* and *Destroyers*!

Mrs Key Girls' Volleyball Coach



Rock and Water Teacher Training

During the last three days of Term 1, three additional teachers had the privilege of being trained as instructors in the Rock and Water program. This program has been running at CTHS for the last few years and has made a lasting impact on participating students. Master instructor, Brian Hayes, taught these teachers various skills and strategies, which will enable them to teach students Rock and Water principles, whilst also learning more about themselves and issues surrounding boys' and girls' education. Rock and Water combines elements of resilience, anti-bullying, anti-conflict resolution, martial arts and self-defence. By the end of 2017, all Year 7 and 8 students will have participated in this program. Previously, Mr Hartman has been our only instructor so will be pleased to be joined by three newly trained teachers.

In Term 1 during their Year 7 camp, students participated in an introductory session of Rock and Water. They will be given further sessions, as part of their Resilience workshops, in Term 2. Later this year, during Terms 3 and 4, Year 7's will complete the first part of the program. Some Year 8 students have already finished their Rock and Water training, with the remainder due to complete theirs in Term 2.

We look forward to empowering our students in the near future. Respect!!!

Mr Pedley-Smith, Miss Hampe and Mr Fairclough



From the Library

Welcome back for what promises to be another stimulating, engaging and satisfyingly challenging term. Resources (not including textbooks) borrowed last term are now overdue. Please return or renew items, or fines will be charged. You can renew items from home BEFORE they are due, if they have not been reserved by other students, by logging on to the CTHS library page.

The Premier's Reading Challenge is still open and Years 7 to 9 have numerous wonderful books to choose from in our library. You can also use your Wide Reading options to enjoy a diverse selection from the genres available. Expand your horizons, there is something for everyone!

Need help with your studies or assignments? Be brave, approach a friendly teacher-librarian and ask a question, ask many questions.

Missing an exhibition is sad, but you can still enjoy beautiful objects by browsing amazing books or visiting the homepage of a Gallery or Museum. *Masterpieces from the Guggenheim*, for instance, which is the catalogue from a 1992 exhibition at the Art Gallery of NSW. You can also visit *Cezanne, Kandinsky, Klee, Giacometti, Brancusi* and many others, sample human creativity, enjoy beauty, be inspired, question the world you see and marvel at the interpretations/challenges of the world through the eyes of artists.

To visit the Guggenheim in Bilbao, New York, Venice or Abu Dhabi, go to http://guggenheim-bilbao.es/en/explore/

With much discussion about the Powerhouse Museum and a Museum for Western Sydney, it's time to think about, not only the contents, but the architectural wonder of buildings, such as the *Guggenheim*, which is famous for both its collection and architecture. A question for you: "Who was the architect of the *Guggenheim*?"

CTHS Library Team

CAREERS UPDATE

QS World Rankings Released for 2016

The rankings by subject have been released for 2016 and 42 subject areas are compared. These fall under the categories of arts and humanities, engineering and technology, life sciences and medicine, natural sciences and social sciences and management. http://www.topuniversities.com/subject-rankings/2016

UTS Law Information Evening

Wednesday 22 June 2016, 6pm - 8pm. The evening will include information on entry pathways, scholarships, practice-orientated learning, student life and international experiences. To register follow the link below: http://www.uts.edu.au/about/faculty-law/events/law-undergraduate-info-evening

Ultimo TAFE: Fashion Information Session

Thursday 16 June 2016, 2pm - 3pm, Ultimo Campus, Building H, Level 2, Room H2.30

Monday 20 June 2016, 6pm - 7pm, Ultimo College, Level 2, Room H2.30

The sessions will provide information on the Certificate III in Clothing Production and the Diploma of Live Production and Technical Services. http://sydneytafe.edu.au/newsevents/events

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http://www.reinsw.com.au/imis15_prod/Web/Training/Certificate_of_Registration/Web/Training/Certificate_of_Registration/ Getting_Started_Essentials_Certificate_of_Registration_Course.aspx

Go Volunteer

Go Volunteer is a search engine for those interested in volunteer opportunities. Searches can be by geographical location and area of interest. http://govolunteer.com.au/Opportunity/Organisation/4084

Chat for Change: Human Rights Volunteers

Volunteering in the area of human rights advocacy, Chat for Change is looking for volunteers in various roles. Some of these include social media, blogging, member co-ordination, graphic designer and more.

http://youngopportunities.org/opportunities/human-rights-volunteer/

Australian Electoral Commission: Enrol to Vote

Students who are 18 years old or turning 18 this year, should consider adding their details to the electoral roll to enable them to vote at future elections. http://www.aec.gov.au/enrol/

TEDx Youth Sydney

Wednesday 25 May 2016, Sydney Opera House. The day is organised by young people for young people and is open for anyone aged 16 to 26 years. It is a platform for ideas, change making, innovators, activists and entrepreneurs. To book tickets follow the link

https://tedxsydney.com/event/tedxyouthsydney-2016/

Hobsons Course Finder: Uni Myths Debunked

http://www.hobsonscoursefinder.com.au/Latest-news/Beyond-university/Uni-myths-debunked-graduate-careers

Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Bower



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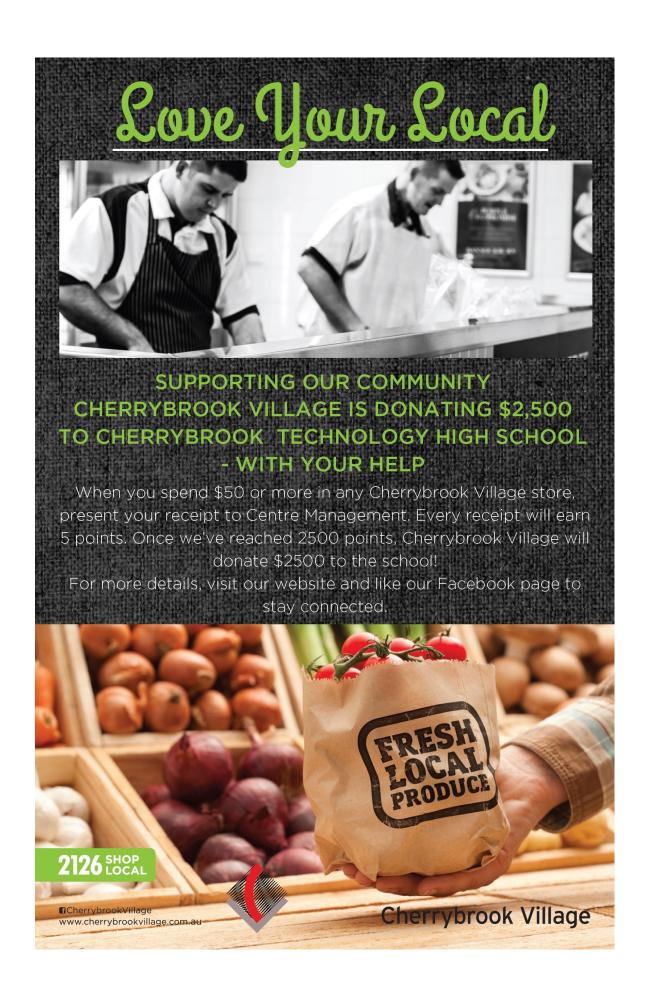
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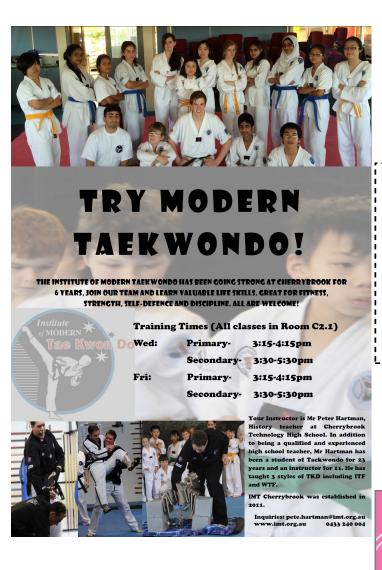
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PROCEDURE FOR EARLY LEAVERS

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 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.

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 be advised the school does not supply any medication, including pain killers, medicated creams, eye drops etc.**





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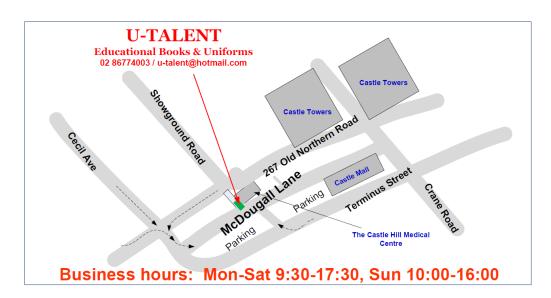




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CALENDAR - Term 2 Week 2A	
Monday 2 May	Year 11 AP1 Exams
	HSC Visual Arts Assessment Task
	Stage 5 Food Excursion - Boronia Tea House
Tuesday 3 May	Year 11 AP1 Exams
	HSC Visual Arts Assessment Task
	Year 9 & 10 Parent/Teacher Night - 4pm-8pm, MPC
	P&C Executive Meeting - 7pm, A Block Conference Room
	P&C General Meeting - 8pm, Staff Common Room
Wednesday 4 May	Year 11 AP1 Exams
	HSC Visual Arts Assessment Task
	Stage 4 and 5 Transit Police Talk
	Smart Start Incursion
Thursday 5 May	Year 11 AP1 Exams
	Zone Grade Finals
Friday 6 May	Year 11 AP1 Exams
	NSW All Schools Swimming Championships
	Year 9 Mathematics Assessment Task