

CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

#### Term 4

#### Week 7B

#### **25 November 2016**

### **DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**



#### **Building Project**

After five long months at Council, we can finally say that the CTHS Building Project was approved late last week. The Department of Education released the tender for the contract on Wednesday, which means all is going well. This will be finalised prior to the end of the year allowing work to commence in early January. Unfortunately, the Department has also advised we will no longer be receiving the two storey semi-permanent building, which was to be an additional structure allocated to us earlier this year. Hopefully, we will receive a suitable alternative, as we have already completed significant planning to utilise these spaces.

#### **Swimming Carnival**

After two summer scorchers on Monday and Tuesday, Wednesday served up an absolute scorcher for the Swimming Carnival, which was held at Parramatta Pool for the second and final time. Parramatta Pool has been slated for redevelopment and as a result, the PE staff are on the look-out for a new venue for next year. That being said, the Carnival was a resounding success, with excellent participation from students. Crowds marvelled at the competitions, particularly the relays, with everyone cheering on their favourite team. Year 11/12 students were suitably 'Hawaiian' as per their theme for the day and there were many outfits which were absolutely outstanding. The 'lizard' lane was again enormously popular and the competitive spirit of the racers was impressive. Charles won the Carnival on the day, although the final result will not be known until the Year 7 Carnival early next year. Congratulations to PE staff for their organisation of this event and also to those students who excelled, participated or volunteered on the day.

#### Literary Festival

On Tuesday, Year 7 participated in a Literary Festival featuring a range of activities aimed at inspiring this group. The Authors and Guest Speakers showcased a range of genres and styles throughout the day and students workshopped their writing skills in groups. From all reports the day was a resounding success, with students actively engaged throughout. A note of thanks to Mrs Sorensen and Ms Halder for their tireless organisation of the day.

#### CTHS Moonlight Ball

The CTHS Moonlight Ball was held on Saturday evening in the MPC, reviving a social event which has not been held at Cherrybrook for over ten years. The night was a resounding success with well over 100 guests enjoying refreshments and a three course meal whilst being entertained by the Big Band. The Band played over thirty musical items across a range of styles. There was also a silent auction which raised funds for the development of the band.

Thank you to the Sound and Lighting Team led by Mr Fisher; Mr Felton for his coordination of the event; the Ball Committee, which comprised of Tom and Janice Marshall, Tim Spencer and Johnny and Eleni Manolelis, for their organisation of the event; and also to Steve O'Brien for leading the Band on the evening.

The organising team are planning a Winter Ball for next year, one to keep an eye out for!

#### **Optus Telecommunication Tower Proposal**

Last week the school received correspondence stating Optus has proposed the development of a Mobile Phone Base Tower opposite the school. The Department of Education has been informed of this proposal and has corresponded with the developer citing a number of concerns.

The Department of Education has a Policy of Avoidance in relation to mobile towers as outlined below:

#### The Policy states:

"The Department of Education adopts a policy of prudent avoidance in relation to the installation of mobile telecommunications facilities within school grounds or TAFE campuses."

While the Department cannot state a specific separation distance between a proposed mobile telecommunications facility and a school or TAFE campus, the Department has a preference for a distance of at least 500 metres from the boundary of the property.

Further details about the proposed mobile base station can be found at www.rfnsa.com.au/2126007









#### Objections can be sent to:

Developer: Federal Member of Parliament: State Member of Parliament: Community Group: Optus: Optus: Ipoland@kaw.net.au Julian.leeser.mp@aph.gov.au epping@parliament.nsw.gov.au nobasestationclosetoschool@gmail.com communityrelations@optus.com.au Optus.Planned.Events@optus.com.au

#### Schools Spectacular

A reminder to parents and students, the Schools Spectacular takes place this Friday 25 and Saturday 26 November at The Qudos Bank Arena. Schools Spectacular is always an outstanding spectacle involving over 5,000 students from more than 500 public schools throughout NSW. This year, 24 students from Cherrybrook Technology High School will be representing our school. Congratulations to all students and staff involved, especially Miss Holt, whose involvement has been tireless as the students trek to and from the city to attend rehearsals.

Tickets are available from Ticketek http://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?sh=SCHOOLSS16 with limited availability.

#### **Student Attendance**

A reminder to all parents, the school year continues for students up to and including Friday 16 December and student attendance to this date is a requirement of the NSW Government. Your support in ensuring your child attends each day, in full school uniform, will be greatly appreciated.

#### Cherrybrook Markets

A reminder the Cherrybrook Markets will be on again this Saturday from 9am in the Piazza. The markets provide a fantastic opportunity to pick up a Christmas gift for the hard-to-shop-for person in your life and include a range of local products to choose from.

#### Final P&C Meeting 2016

The final P&C meeting for the year was held on Tuesday evening and in addition to the usual business, those in attendance were privy to a quick tour of the soon to be completed library refurbishment. This was led by Amber Sorensen, our librarian, who was more than capable of answering all the questions posed by the parent body. The next meeting is scheduled for Valentine's Day 2017.

#### **School Rowing Regatta**

The Independent School Rowing Regatta was held last Sunday. From a lineup of 23 high schools, Cherrybrook was the only public high school. Raquel Cuevas (Year 11/12) and Josha Runde (Year 10) were two of 1,037 athletes. They brought home two silver medals out of their only two single scull events and there were a total of 37 events that day. Congratulations!

Raquel and Josha are currently being trained by Sydney University and, given their great performance so far, Sydney University is very keen to come out to CTHS to undertake a Talent ID Program for future CTHS rowers. Students who would like to give rowing a go, should contact Mr Perry or Mr Ibarra.

Sydney University Boat Club's Head Coach of Development Crews, Debbie Fox, will be coming out in the next few weeks, to grade your potential talent. Stay tuned for future announcements!



#### Congratulations to...

Audrey Bygraves, Year 7, who competed in seven major Music Eisteddfods throughout Sydney this year and has won a total of
seventeen awards in eighteen sections, including a Highly Commended Award in the prestigious Sydney Eisteddfod Open
Section for Original Song. She also won a Special Award on top of first place in two of the sections. Audrey has also been
successful in obtaining two professional recording sessions and has just recorded two of her original songs, which are currently
still in production. In her spare time, Audrey performs for many fundraisers, local fetes and festivals and at open mic nights
around Sydney. She completed a busy year by singing the National Anthem to a packed stadium at the Sydney Flames
Basketball Game at Sydney University last week.

Mr Townsend











CTHS Swimming Carnival

































#### **Big Band Workshop**

On Tuesday 15 November the CTHS Big Band had the absolute pleasure and honour of working with three of Australia's leading Jazz musicians and educators. Sandy Evans, James Greening and John Morrison spent four hours teaching improvisation skills, ensemble skills, how to listen and blend within the band, imparting their years of wisdom of the Jazz industry in Australia.

This experience has left a lasting impression on the students of the Band, making them strive harder and be the best musicians they can be. The fruits of this experience have already been heard in their performance of two very high level pieces at the MADD Concert on Wednesday night.

The three musicians who ran the workshop have all commented how impressed they were with the level of professionalism and quality of work delivered by our students. John Morrison, in particular, was so impressed he has invited the Big Band to perform at a Big Band Festival he is organising in Port Macquarie next May.

I would like to thank Mr Tom Marshall for organising this fantastic experience for the students as part of the proceeds from the CTHS Moondance Ball.

#### CTHS Moondance Ball

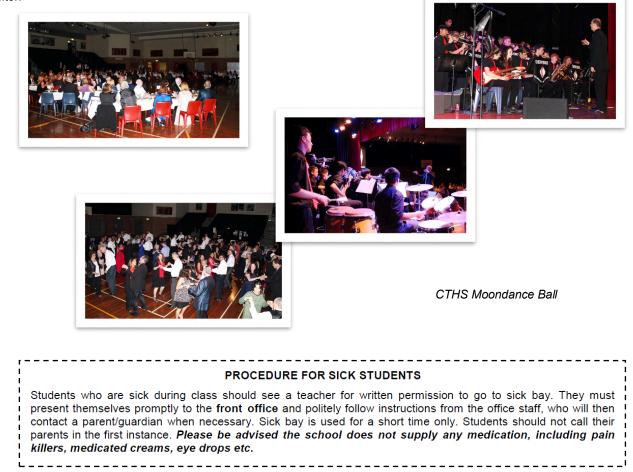
On Saturday 19 November, The Big Band once again hosted a Dinner Dance. It has been a long time coming as the last Cherrybrook Ball was in 2005! This black-tie evening showcased the Band as they performed 30 pieces to accompany a three course meal, lots of dancing and dance lessons.

The purpose of the event was firstly to provide a performance opportunity of this nature for the students, secondly to provide an exciting evening of entertainment for the Cherrybrook community. Lastly, it has raised funds for the Big Band to hold a series of workshops with some of this country's top Jazz educators, as well as purchase new equipment for the Band.

The Ball was open to the wider community, although as it was a BYO evening, it was strictly an 18+ event. Guests had such a fantastic night, we had trouble getting them to leave! They were still calling for more pieces half an hour after the Moondance Ball had officially ended.

I would like thank the P&C and the Ball Committee for all their hard work and support to make this event a reality. They were a pleasure to work with and we are already in planning a Winter Ball for next year. Until then, keep polishing those dance moves.

Mr Felton













Please note Cherrybrook Technology High School does not have any medical practitioners on the premises. We provide first aid assistance to students who are unwell or injured. *Please be advised the school does not supply any medication, including pain killers, medicated creams, eye drops etc.* 

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#### Chill-Out Club and SRC Halloween Party

The very delayed *Halloween Party* was held on Wednesday 16 November, better late than never! Chill-Out Club combined with the SRC to make an unforgettable haunted house experience. Students entered through the former senior study into a dark world of ghosts and ghouls! On their way they may have encountered a fortune teller, as well as a number of glowing creatures. There were screams galore as masked creatures jumped out and students had to push their way through spider webs, guided only by a trail of lit pumpkins. Making this scary journey was well worth the reward as on the other side there were monster cupcakes, pumpkin biscuits, men made from body parts and a giant snake. There was even a spooky graveyard! A *Halloween* fashion parade was held and the winners were Cameron, Emma and Isaac. The party ended with the smashing of the pinatas, two skulls and a spider were smashed open and lollies enjoyed by all.

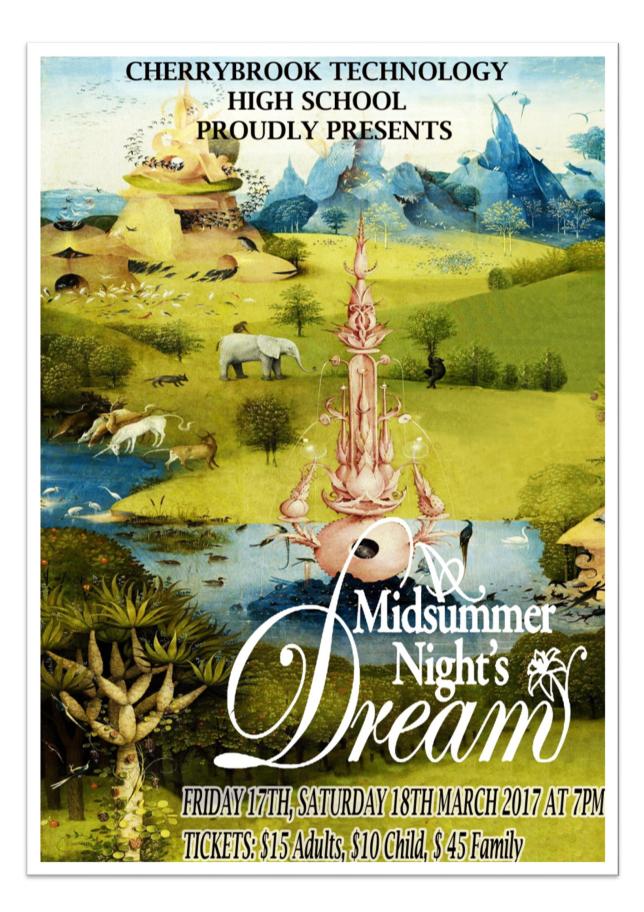
Thank you to all of those students who assisted in Club throughout the term preparing for the party and to all those who helped on the day. A huge thanks to all the helpful SRC reps and Mrs Fletcher for letting us share in the day. We have one more party this year, which is Christmas and we hope to see you all there.

Ms Deadman













#### Library Refurbishment - Update

The library refurbishment is now in its final stages with the furniture installation almost complete. During Week 8, the library staff will begin filling the new shelving with books and we are anticipating students will be able to commence using the library from Week 9.

Mr Fisher

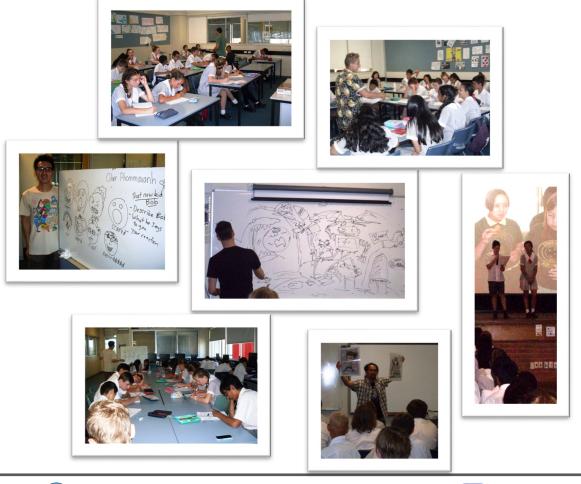


#### **Literary Festival**

Students have seen the drawings/cartoons and heard the voices of the visiting authors. They watched a blank page or an initial idea evolve and transform into an evocative scene. They are carefully considering the nuances, mood and power of chosen words. Is that character walking, wandering, meandering, strolling, tip-toeing, strutting, stomping, creeping...? Different students, not unexpectedly, have different recollections, but each remembers something, the anime/manga, the humour, the sadness of the stories, critiquing advertisements, the power of poetry/rapping. The life lessons and anecdotes shared by the presenters in their individual style gives the students encouragement to explore and experiment.

Please complete the feedback survey via this link, which was emailed to you https://goo.gl/forms/uxKjJJJrBTiBnvK12

Ms Halder







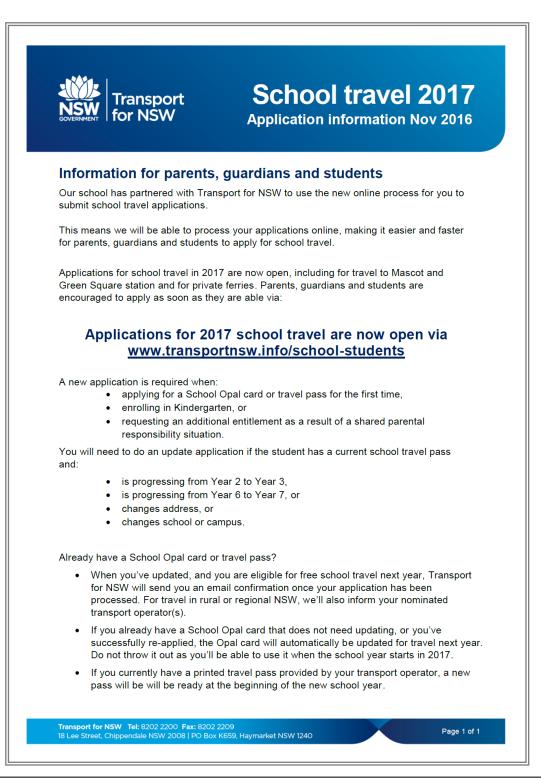


#### **UTS Law Discovery Day**

On Thursday of Week 6 Term 4, four students, including Sandya Hariharan, Oshana Fernando, Sanjeev Desai and Laura Heinrichson, accompanied by Ms Adamou, attended the UTS Law Discovery Day. The day gave students a comprehensive insight into the dynamics and importance of law in society and three key speakers addressed the nature of studying law at UTS. Students were also lucky enough to meet past CTHS student, Louisa Dimarco, now studying a Bachelor of Law and Bachelor of Medical Science at UTS, who offered some valuable advice for students to set a motivating goal for their HSC year. Additionally, students participated in a moot trial allowing them to apply the knowledge learnt throughout the Legal Studies course and administer critical thinking and problem solving skills. The day was a valuable experience and we would like to thank Ms Adamou for her organisation and attendance of the event.



Sandya Hariharan, Oshana Fernando, Sanjeev Desai and Laura Heinrichson, Year 11/12











#### WEEKLY SPORT REPORT



#### Swimming Carnival

• On Tuesday 22 November the annual CTHS Swimming Carnival was held at Parramatta Pool. It was a successful day, with a great turnout from all grades and some fantastic swimming was witnessed in the races and 'lizard' lane. A full report, including results, will follow next week. Special thanks to all PE teachers for the organisation it required!

#### Year 7/8 Basketball Gala Day

• Last week, Year 7/8 boys and girls competed in the Sydney North Gala Day. Congratulations to both teams on making it to the final. Unfortunately, both teams suffered defeats and were runners-up. Well done!

#### Year 7/8 Netball Knockout

• Reminder to all netball players, the knockout match for Years 7/8 will be played on Wednesday 7 December. See Ms Flowers for more details.

#### Sports Assembly

• Just a reminder, the Sports Assembly will be held on Thursday 8 December. The rehearsal for this Assembly will take place on Tuesday 29 November during periods 3 and 4. See the PE notice board for more information.

Jack Dickinson and Georgia Clements, Sports Promotion Officers









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## **Business Hours** Mon-Sat: 10:00-17:00, Sun: 10:00-15:00

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TURRAMURRA HIGH SCHOOL

## Twilight Christmas Market

Thursday 8th December 5:30-8:30pm

Turramurra High School, Maxwell Street Turramurra

Stunning jewellery, handmade cards, delicious christmas delicacies, french homewares, unique gifts,Arcadian Artists stalls and much more!

Entry: Gold Coin Donation

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Monday 5th December 2016 Beecroft Village Green, 6.30pm

Bring the family along and join us for a wonderful evening of Christmas Carols

Kids dress up in your best Christmas outfit as there are prizes to be won for Santa's Angels and Elves (Under 8's) and why not get your face painted by Groovy Suzy while you wait for Santa's arrival

Scouts Sausage Sizzle, Soft Drinks, Coffee, Ice Cream and more



## Service of Remembrance for families whose children have died or are missing

This Service, open to families (and friends) who've lost a child (of any age), seeks to ease that pain a little by offering a means of acknowledging and remembering a deeply loved and missed family member.

## Wednesday 7 December 7:30pm St Matthews Anglican Church

cnr New Line and Castle Hill Roads West Pennant Hills

With a brief message from Rev Stephen Edwards.

During the service those present are invited to place a flower at the front of the church, in memory of the child who has died, or is missing. If you'd like to bring your own flower, please do. Flowers will also be available. Several denominations will be represented

Everyone is welcome to stay for supper following the service.



Enquiries 9479 3700







## Teaching someone to drive can be a happy experience.

Come to a FREE two hour workshop full of practical advice and information for parents, carers and supervisors of learner drivers completing the Graduated Licensing Scheme.

The next workshop in your area will be held:

# TIME & DATE: VENUE: BOOK NOW ON: 6:30pm to 8:30pm<br/>Thursday Hornsby Shire Council<br/>Chambers Building<br/>296 Peats Ferry Rd<br/>Hornsby Online via:<br/>www.trybooking.com/LIMG<br/>(02) 9847 6856<br/>Bookings Essential Helping learmer drivers<br/>become safe drivers Image: Comparison of the same safe drivers

CALENDAR - Term 4 Week 8A	
Monday 28 November	Year 10 Peer Support Day 1&2 Training
	Presentation Night Rehearsal pds 3, 4, 5
Tuesday 29 November	Music Ensemble End of Year Outing
	Year 9 Debating - Round 3
	Year 10 Debating - Round 3
	PDHPE Incursion - Cricket
	Stage 5 Excursion - Fashion Design
	Stage 5 Child Studies Excursion
	HSC Ancient History Assessment
Wednesday 30 November	Year 11/12 General Mathematics Assessment Task
	Year 11/12 Ext 1 Maths Assessment Task
	Year 7 Visual Arts Exhibition
	Peer Support Leaders Mental Health First Aid Training
Thursday 1 December	<ul> <li>Band Orientation Workshop &amp; Concert - MPC</li> </ul>
Friday 2 December	GATS and S5 STEM Space Excursion - Powerhouse Museum
	HSC Ab Studies Student Conference
	Boys Ed Excursion





