

CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL



Week 8A

2 December 2016

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Peer Support

Our extremely important Peer Support training occurred this week. This year the program has expanded with the leaders completing a Mental Health First Aid course (TAFE accredited), as well as Rock and Water training. This program will be very beneficial in helping students understand mental health, the appropriate responses and where to go for support. Peer Support Leaders will also help staff run Rock and Water sessions for Year 7 2017, both at Camp and at School.

A big thank you to Mr Hind for his organisation of these activities and to Mr Hartman. Ms lacona and Mrs Goykovic for their involvement and enthusiasm with the delivery of the programs.

Mental Health Assembly

The focus of this week's Assembly focussed on highlighting perceptions regarding mental health. Ms Deadman, Learning Support Teacher, opened the Assembly and spoke about similarities between physical and mental illness. She pointed out, one is far more understandable and accepted than the other. Students were also involved, delivering a vocal performance and offering a range of strategies and places to go if help is needed.

At CTHS we promote good mental health. Students have a range of options if they need support and in past Networks we have published a number of websites, which are available to help both students and parents if needed.

Headspace, the National Youth Mental Health Foundation, has recently opened in Castle Hill and offers a range of services to students and parents. These include, mental health, physical health, work and study, alcohol and other drug services. They are located at 253 Old Northern Road, Castle Hill NSW 2154. P: (02) 7801 4600, E: headspaceCastleHill@ucmh.org.au, FB www.facebook.com/headspaceCastleHill/

They also provide eheadspace, an online service to support young people and their families. You need to register either on their website or over the phone 1800 650 890, to access this service.

Schools Spectacular

What a spectacular event with a world record breaking 5,500 (approximately) students on stage at the one time!! All who attended commented on the absolute professional and quality performances from all involved. Particular congratulations to the sixteen students from CTHS who danced, giving their all in every performance. The theme this year was Dream Big with CTHS students highlighted in the opening item. Congratulations must also go to Sam Albers of Year 10, who played the Sousaphone in the Arts Unit Millennium Marching Band for the second year in a row and was involved in all performances. Sam did a great job and was again, a credit to the school.

A special thank you must go to Miss Holt who spent endless hours in the preparation of dances, transport to venues and supervision of students on numerous occasions. Without such dedication, events such as this would not be possible.

Assembly Week

As we steadily roll towards the Christmas break, it is important to note that next week is amongst the busiest in the school calendar as we celebrate and recognise the outstanding achievements of our wonderful students. Students and parents are asked to take note of the following dates and times:

Thursday 8 December in the MPC from 10.50am

- Presentation Night: Tuesday 6 December in the MPC from 7pm
- Year 6 into 7 Orientation Day:
- Tuesday 6 December in the MPC from 9am until 11am
- Sports Awards Assembly:
- Presentation Day Assemblies: Friday 9 December in the MPC
 - Year 7 from 9am; Year 8 from 10.45am; Year 9 from 1.15pm.

Parents please note: There is very little parking in the Cherrybrook Technology High School vicinity. The boom gates will prevent parental access to the school carparks. Please allow ample time to park and make your way to the venue for the designated start times.













































Partnership with Community of Schools

Cherrybrook Technology High School will be hosting Presentation Day events for many of our local primary schools. Cherrybrook PS, Oakhill Drive PS, Beecroft PS, John Purchase PS and Samuel Gilbert PS, who will all use our excellent facilities over the next two weeks. It is great to see this occurring, as it makes the transition to high school so much easier if students already have some knowledge of how the school works. CTHS also hosted a Band Orientation Workshop and Concert with the local primary schools, another great initiative to help grow the already successful Music Ensembles Program within the school. The primary school students worked with our Concert Band 2 and were able to experience performing with our students.

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. After consultation with the P&C, this year the school day will finish at the end of period 4 on Friday 16 December, with an assembly in the MPC. Students will be dismissed at this time to go home. The bus companies have been informed of these arrangements, but unfortunately cannot provide school bus services at that time. Students will need to travel home on normal timetabled schedules or arrange alternative transport.

Any parent who needs to have their child supervised until 3.00pm on Friday 16 December should contact the school in writing, so this may be arranged.

Stop Work Meeting for NSW Teachers' Federation Members

The NSW Teachers' Federation has called a stop work meeting for **Thursday 8 December** to discuss the NSW State Government's proposed teaching award for the next twelve months.

As a result, the majority of staff will not be on duty between 8.30am and 10.40am.

During this period the school **will not** be able to provide normal lessons for students. However, minimal supervision will be available. Parents are advised that, if possible, they should organise alternative arrangements for the care of their child during this time.

The school will resume normal operations at 10.40am with a 10 minute roll call. The stop work meeting will impact on the scheduled school's annual Sports Presentation Assembly, which will now start at 10.50am.

All students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 11 will be attending the assembly. A normal school day will follow after the Sports Presentation Assembly.

Mrs Bevan

Year 7 GATs Special Interest Projects

All winning groups from the Year 7 and 8 Gifted and Talented classes were recently invited to attend a morning tea with the Senior Executives, to congratulate them on their efforts for their Special Interest Projects. Joel Macbeth, who placed First in 7T, was unable to attend the morning tea. However, his certificate was presented to him by Mr Johnson on Thursday 24 November. Congratulations to Joel for his hard work!

Ms Yang



Mr Johnson presenting Joel Macbeth with his Award

Amendment to last week's Network Article CTHS Moonlight Ball

Our apologies for omitting the following information:

Thank you to Kate Salmon, who was an integral part of the CTHS Moonlight Ball Committee.

Mr Clements









CTHS My Restaurant Rules Semester 2

When students from Year 8 Technology Food (8TECT10) came to class and started setting up their assessments at 7.30am, I knew they meant business and wanted to impress. Below are some of the fine examples of the students' table settings and served menu items. Both Mrs Tuynman and I certainly enjoyed the students' efforts and hospitality as we 'sampled our way' around the room judging their assessments. Congratulations class and thanks for the pleasant surprise.

Mrs Robinson, Head Teacher TAS





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.

PROCEDURE FOR LATE ARRIVALS

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.







Market Day

On Friday 25 November, the Year 9 Semester 2 Running a Business classes were given the chance to host Market Day in the MPC. This gave us the opportunity to develop marketing skills and techniques, as well as learn how to manage money.

It was a most successful day; we had the usual stalls selling cupcakes, milkshakes and much more including fun games with prizes. There was also a new addition of heated food such as mini pizzas, butter chicken, and chicken skewers. The selling of heated food has not taken place in recent years, our year being the first in a long while, but was successful nonetheless.

We'd like to thank Mr Brown for organising this eventful day. We'd also like to give an even bigger thanks to Mr Fisher and Mrs Robinson, as well as the rest of the TAS staff, for giving us permission to work in the commercial kitchens. Without them, Market Day would not have been such a fantastic success.

Alina Chieh and Emily Temby, Year 9

Whitehouse Excursion

On Monday of this week students from Stage 5 Design and Technology Fashion and Year 11/12 Textiles and Design attended The Whitehouse Institute of Design at Surry Hills, to view the work of the 2016 Graduates. Our students viewed the procedure involved in designing and were overwhelmed, but motivated by the creativity and quality of the presentation of their folio work. The visit culminated in a fashion parade of the graduate student's final designs, varying from the inclusion of components of camping equipment to the sheerest of fabrics, pom poms and elegant ruffles.

Year 11/12 Textile students also had time to browse and shop at Tessuti Fabric store in preparation for their major work. Our thanks to their friendly and helpful staff.

Despite grumbling tummies and tired legs this was an inspiring day, allowing students to see real life catwalk designs equal to those of Europe. Congratulations to our students who were well attired and represented our school accordingly at this event.

Mrs Readon







Year 7 Zoo Excursion

On Friday 18 November, Year 7 travelled for a great excursion to Taronga Zoo, to get some info for our science project, on the topic of organisms. We got some photos and we got to see some amazing shows, like the seal show! They were so well trained, it was like they could understand what the trainers said. It was a great opportunity for anyone to get a seal photo, you could literally capture them leaping out of the water!

It's a really big zoo, so we tried to see everything we could. We went and saw some of the African animals like the zebra and continued on to places like the reptile house. It was a great trip, where we had fun and learnt a lot. I can't wait to go back!

Alex Hunt 7T













Cherrybald Portrait Prize 2016

On Wednesday 30 November we held the Cherrybald Portrait Prize for Year 7 Visual Arts and Stage 5 Painting. Students from these classes were selected by their teachers, to have their work hung in this exhibition. The subjects of these portraits were diverse and consisted of identities across history, politics, human rights, sporting icons, actors and authors, and of course family members.

We were exceptionally fortunate this year to have the 2016, Archibald Prize, People's Choice Winner as our judge. Nick Stathopoulos spent the afternoon judging the students' work. He addressed the audience, speaking with passion about his art making practice, in particular his portrait from this year of Sudanese Refugee and Lawyer Deng Adut. Nick presented awards to this year's Cherrybald Year 7 Winners, as well as the Portrait Prize Stage 5 Winners.

Parents, students and teachers were invited to vote during the exhibition for the Viewer's Choice Award. Both Nick Stathopoulos and the parents were amazed at the sheer talent, dedication and technical skills of our young Year 7 and Stage 5 artists. Thank you to the large audience who attended the *Cherrybald Portrait Prize*.

On behalf of all of the Visual Arts teachers we would like to congratulate all the students and commend them for their talent and dedication in the creation of their artworks. We look forward to next year's *Cherrybald Portrait Prize* and the ever burgeoning artistic talent of Cherrybrook Technology High School Visual Arts students.

Ms Donoghue



Cherrybald Year 7 Winner Sana Ahmad



Cherrybald Year 7 People's Choice Maria Jacob



Cherrybald Year 7 Runner-Up Riti Mucherla

Nick Stathopoulos



Portrait Prize Stage 5 Winner Shayani Jasinge



Portrait Prize Stage 5 People's Choice Dinuki Perera

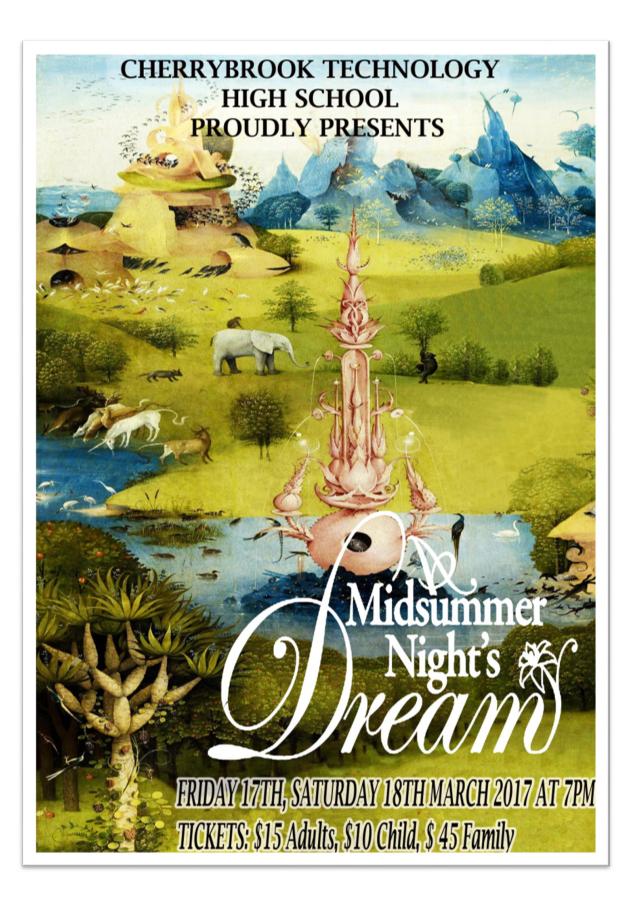


















FROM THE LIBRARY

Year 7 Literary Festival

To follow up on our Year 7 Literary Festival we have sought feedback from the students. Overwhelmingly, the responses were positive and appreciative. Since there were both illustrators/cartoonists and authors, every student could find stimulus material. The following two comments illustrate the positive responses:

"I came home filled with so many ideas that I was ready to make into a story." "I think it was a wonderful day and there is nothing to be changed."

What did you like/dislike, learn? Responses typically included: inspiring, informative, funny, a great experience and taught me a lot.

What did you take away from the day? "There are many ways to write and express your feelings through writing." "I learnt how to draw manga, how to put things you are scared, worried or angry about on a piece of paper then expand that and create a short story." "How poetry can be anything at all and how the smallest things in life can give brilliant ideas." "Show don't tell and more is less."

Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge runs every year from March to August. Besides the general awards for reading twenty books in this period, there are also Special Awards. These include:

Laura Commens and Chelsea Rumbel, Year 9, were awarded PRC Medals, which recognise continuing participation from Years 3 to 9.

Platinum Certificates were awarded to Chris Konieczny and Andres Roco Penafiel, Year 8, and Shubh Shah, Year 7. These Certificates recognise seven years of participation.

Gold Certificates, for four years of participation, were awarded to Anam Sheikh Rehman, Year 8 and Natalie So, Year 7.

Congratulations to these excellent readers and all participants!

Ms Halder

SRC Report

Just because we were late to the party didn't mean that we couldn't have fun! Our *Halloween* mufti day, the second organised by this team, was a great success. The reintroduction of Krispy Kreme donuts went, unfortunately, much better than expected, as we were all sold out of both donuts and drinks only ten minutes into recess! Our haunted house, combed with CTHS's fantastic Chill-Out Club, attracted crowds slightly too big to accommodate.

We also held a photo competition (with the hashtag #techortreat) and the winners of the \$50 Cosmo Coffee Gift Voucher were Ellie Payne and her friends for their colourful costumes and teamwork!

With the craze of the mufti day planning finally over, the SRC will continue planning our Valentine's Day celebrations. Alongside the traditional roses and letters, we will be looking to amp it up with Love Song Dedications and a photo booth!

Brinda Kumar and Adam Tan SRC Public Relations Reps



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.









Sports Assembly

The annual Sports Assembly is being held on Thursday 8 December at 10.50am. The reason for the change in time is due to the Teachers' Federation stop work meeting in the morning. All award recipients are to be at the MPC by 10.40am. All parents are welcome to come! The Sports Assembly will be awarding all sporting achievements such as, Sports Man/Woman of the Year, Sports Captain Awards, Grade Sport Best and Fairest, Sydney North and many more.

This year our Special Guest will be one of our ex-students, Natalie Eldridge. Congratulations to all award recipients!

Georgia Clements and Jack Dickinson, Sports Promotion Officers 2016-2017.

Schools Spectacular 2016

Last Friday, 25 November, me and a group of students and two teachers, Mr Felton and Ms Donoghue, went and saw the Schools Spectacular for 2016 at the Qudos Bank Arena at Sydney Olympic Park in Homebush.

Even though we arrived at the venue quite early (45 minutes to spare), the show was delayed by ten minutes before it kicked off. When the final ten second countdown began, everyone in the arena yelled, screamed, 'whooed' and 'yaaayed' while the syncopated applause from the crowd flowed across the arena among the amazing audience of almost 10,000 people.

The show began with a stunning act with music in the background while the dance students from our school emerged from the side entrances in their flamboyant clothing!

And then all of a sudden, the Schools Spectacular 2016 finished off with a spectacular performance with all the stellar performers performing together to a popular song called *Shut Up And Dance* by Walk The Moon! This year's Schools Spectacular made it in the Guiness Book of World Records as the largest Amateur Variety Act, since there were 5,500 performers who performed in total!

At the end of the day, everyone in the group, including both the teachers, had an absolutely amazing time at the Schools Spectacular 2016! If you want to have that memorable experience to cherish for the rest of your life, please come along next year!

Thank you for reading!

Michael Xu, Year 10



Ensembles go to Ice Skating

The end-of-year ice skating excursion for the Music Ensembles has always been a highlight for me. As a member of several of the school's Music Ensembles, it's refreshing to be able to socialise with all the members of all the Ensembles at one event. It's always lots of fun, made better by the fact that all the students and teachers share the common interest of music. It's always a blast racing and playing tag on the ice with your fellow Ensemble members and almost as entertaining watching the newer members learn to skate. I think it's a great way to meet other students from different age groups with the same interests and have fun while doing it and I hope they'll let me go next year!

Luke Ede, Year 11

As a senior student, I really enjoyed my time at the last Music Ensemble outing for the end of the year. It will be a memory that will be difficult to forget. I have a special interest in ice skating, so this was quite natural to me and skating around the rink was invigorating yet blissful. I was surrounded by many friends who shared a similar interest in music (obviously) and it was a great way to expand my social circle or to catch up with friends. There were only three seniors on the excursion, so it was a fantastic time to socialise with younger year groups. All-in-all, I believe that these end-of-year outings with the Music Ensembles are incredibly amusing and entertaining and they will be missed. (Who knows, I might crash next year's outing!)

Andre Zainal, Year 11













CAREERS UPDATE

Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT)

This website helps prospective university students make informed choices about their future. QILT provides students with a broad range of information about Australian universities including graduate job prospects and student satisfaction and retention rates. https://www.gilt.edu.au/

ADFA Education Award

This award is presented to current Year 11 students, in recognition of leadership potential and academic and sporting achievements exhibited during Year 11. The award comprises of a laptop and certificate, along with a plaque of recognition for your school. For eligibility and an application, visit http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/education/adfa/howToApply/educationAward.aspx

Air Force Jobs with just one or two year's commitment

Pick one of these exciting roles and you'll have the freedom to join the Air Force for just one or two years. No strings attached. Read more at http://www.defencejobs.gov.au/airforce/one-and-two-year-roles/



Start a job in the Air Force without the long-term commitments. Pick one of these exciting roles and you'll have the freedom to join the Air Force for just one or two years. No strings attached.



With an initial commitment of just 12 months, these general entry roles are a great way to see if you'll like the Air Force lifestyle.

Apprenticeships

TAFE Pre-Apprenticeship Course

For students who are interested in undertaking a trade, TAFE offers pre-apprenticeship courses which can help students get started with a trade career.

https://wsi.tafensw.edu.au/courses-and-careers/planning-your-career/apprenticeships-and-traineeships/pre-apprenticeship-training/

Pre-apprenticeships Course Finder

The Pre-apprenticeships Course Finder is one of the most popular pages on the Australian Apprenticeships and Traineeships Information Service website, with an average of around 4,300 direct hits a month. There are over 140 pre-apprenticeships currently active www.aapathways.com.au/pcf

Skill Gaps in the Australian Job Market

This article summarises some of the gaps in the Australian job market as of October 2016. https://australiancareersservice.com.au/2016/10/19/study-summary-skill-gaps-australian-job-market/

The Importance of Maths

Visit the Australian Mathematical Sciences Institute's website to view a range of career profiles from Apprentice Chefs to Electricians to Nurses where mathematics is a necessary part of their everyday jobs http://www.mathscareers.org.au/

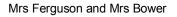
Career Harvest

This website showcases the career opportunities and pathways available in the food & fibre industries. There is also information about internships and scholarships http://www.careerharvest.com.au/

Woodwork Competition

For Australian secondary school students enrolled in Years 11 and 12 in 2016. Students are invited to submit images and details of work of one or two pieces made as part of course work for Years 11 and 12 in 2016. Closing date 15 December 2016.

http://www.woodreview.com.au/student-awards



















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 onr 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.





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CALENDAR - Term 4 Week 9B	
Monday 5 December	 Year 11 Mathematics Assessment Task
	HSC Assessment Task - ESL
	Year 10 Peer Support Leaders' Training
Tuesday 6 December	• Year 10 Study Skills
	 HSC Assessment Task - History Extension
	• Barista Training
	 Year 6 into 7 Orientation Day - 9am -11am
	 Presentation Night Assembly - 7pm, MPC
Wednesday 7 December	Girls' Class Excursion
	 HSC Assessment Task - Chemistry
	• Barista Training
Thursday 8 December	 Sports Awards Presentation Assembly - 10.50am, MPC
	HSC Legal Studies Incursion
Friday 9 December	Years 7, 8 & 9 Presentation Day Assemblies
	 Year 10 Crossroads Enrichment Program
	 HSC Assessment Task - Geography
	 Environmental Initiative Group Meeting A1.9





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