

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Zone Cross Country

Many of our students competed in the Zone Cross Country Carnival on Wednesday of this week, at St Ives Showground. On a near perfect autumn day, students tackled the course with enthusiasm and sportsmanship leading to many fine results. Amongst the many outstanding achievements were the students who, by winning their event, became Age Champions. A list of our Champions is included in the Weekly Sports Report in this edition of *Network*.

Cherrybrook achieved second place at the Carnival, narrowly defeated by Pennant Hills High School in a neck and neck finish. This finish continues a tradition of friendly rivalry, which really brings out the very best performances from all students in both schools.

LMBR "cutover"

Regular readers of *Network* will have been following the progress of the implementation of the new SAP software, which manages all school finances.

I'm pleased to report that last Sunday afternoon a small team of clerical staff, our Deputy Principals and myself successfully closed off the antiquated OASIS system and began work in the new software environment.

At this stage all appears to be going well, albeit slower than usual as we gradually come to grips with the new material. I would ask our parent community to be aware of this transition and be supportive of our staff as they go about developing skills to ensure the software is used to meet the school's many and varied needs.

P&C

A reminder, the June meeting of the P&C is fast approaching with the General Meeting commencing in the school common room at 8.00pm on Tuesday 6 June.

Apart from the usual interesting meeting, there will also be a presentation on the scaling of the HSC, a complex yet very important subject, which requires understanding for parents of all our students.

Students filming Others Without Permission

Recently the school has had several cases of students using the camera in their mobile phones to film other students engaging in a variety of inappropriate activities, including, in one case, a fight between two junior students. As a result, the students in question have faced very serious consequences, including suspension from school.

Students were reminded at Assembly, they are **NOT** to film other students or staff unless they are directed to do so as part of an accepted school course.

I would ask parents to speak with their children and reinforce how serious this matter is and how phone cameras must only be used in appropriate circumstances.

Staffing

Last week the school was informed of the very exciting news that Mr Abel Lin, our outstanding TSO, has finally been made a permanent member of staff.

Mr Lin has been supporting students and staff in the use of computer technology for the past eight years and it is fantastic for our students that he has finally been made a permanent member of the Cherrybrook community.



Sport Shorts

Great news!! The new girls' and boys' sport shorts are now available from Lowes! We are phasing out the current style and ask parents to purchase the new style from now on. These shorts have been developed, in conjunction with the student body, therefore, the expectation is that all students will now wear CTHS sports shorts during PE and sport.

Mr Johnson

Building Project Update

The building project continues to make progress with final stages of the excavation works for electrical, data and plumbing almost complete. Concrete for the last retaining wall is currently being poured and over the next two weeks we should see the forming work for the ground floor slab taking place.

Mr Fisher



Studies of Religion Excursion

On Wednesday 24 May, the Year 11 Studies of Religion class, accompanied by Mr Hartman, attended a conference held at Newington College entitled *A Grand Design: Science, Ethics and Religion in Dialogue*, presented by Dr Peter Vardy, a British Theologian. The consensus was that the day was extremely thought-provoking and engaging and Dr Vardy was an excellent presenter. Topics included, *War of the Worlds*, which looked at the development of the relationship between science and religion, as well as examining the evolution of Greek, Islamic and Christian philosophy; *The Grand Design*, a session which explored Natural Theology (the attempt to prove God's existence through scientific reasoning) introduced students to inductive, deductive and abductive reasoning, as well as to proponents and opponents of the Design Argument; *The Cosmological Revolution*, which explored everything from ancient cosmology to quantum science; and *Humanity +*, which explored the bioethics related to transhumanism and other modern issues such as gene-splicing, mitochondrial donation etc.

The above list is evidence of the depth and complexity of Vardy's talk, delivered using various arguments for and against each premise, at a level which was engaging and accessible, without changing it by dumbing it down. Through cartoons, films and a myriad of Harry Potter references, every student benefited from the day and, while some of the concepts discussed may not have been fully comprehended, their studies in religion have been complemented by the lessons learned. Interestingly, it was the final session covering the future of bioethics, which elicited the greatest interest and response from the class. Debates were provoked by questions, such as *Human Rights, for Artificial Intelligence?* and *What Constitutes the Sanctity of Life?* which were a real highlight.

11SOR1 is the inaugural class in Studies of Religion at Cherrybrook Technology High School. Students come from a variety of religious and non-religious backgrounds and have, without fail, approached the study of different religious traditions with objectivity and respect. This is an important subject, equipping students with language and understanding and engaging them with a variety of people in Australia and around the world. Furthermore, as the only state school present at yesterday's conference, students acted as fine ambassadors, not just for CTHS, but for Public Education and I would like to extend my appreciation for their excellent behaviour and attitude displayed at Wednesday's event. Our next excursion will be in Week 7, with a trip to the Auburn Gallipoli Mosque and the Islamic Sciences Research Academy (ISRA), as part of our exploration of Islam as a faith and of the development of religious expression in Australia.

Mr Hartman



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Year 12 Drama Camp

Our Year 12 Drama students spent last weekend at the Elanora Heights Conference Centre working on their HSC group performances. Each group has now made a great start to this important part of their course content.

Prior to their attendance at the camp, our budding actors were given the opportunity to spend their double Drama lesson receiving tuition from Mayu Iwasaki, a gifted actor, movement instructor and theatre creator, who has worked extensively internationally. This workshop provided students with some invigorating activities, which focussed on incorporating physicality into devised performance.

The exceptional level of participation from all members on the camp made this event so successful. The progress made from Friday night to Sunday afternoon was best evidenced in the complimentary feedback given by the panel of four Drama teachers at the conclusion of the weekend.

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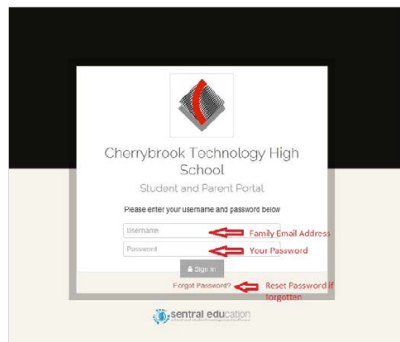


Ms Cannon



Year 8 & 11 Parent/Teacher Night Tuesday 6 June 2017 4pm - 8pm MPC

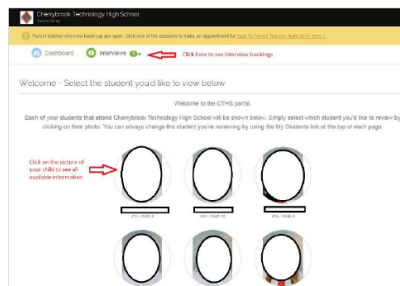
Bookings can be made via the CTHS Parent Portal
<http://web1.cherrybrok-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/portal/login>
from 9am, Monday 29 May to 5pm, Sunday 4 June 2017



Your **User Name** will be the family email address nominated in the School's enrolment data.

Your **Password** was created by you when you created the account. There is a reset password function on the log in screen if you have forgotten.

It is **not necessary to re-enter a family key**, the link to your child/children will continue from the time the account was first created.



Once logged in, click on the notice about the upcoming interview session or click on the picture of your child, then click on the large word **'Dashboard'** to access your child's information.

Select the available time for each of your child's teachers. Please print and/or email a copy of your appointments when prompted.

Please remember to take a copy of the bookings and bring this with you to the night as it is not possible to provide you with this information once you arrive at the venue.



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Murder in the Library

What a collaboration, commit a crime, but collaborate to solve it! The library, again benefiting from its flexible potential, was the venue for a crime/detective unit for the English classes of Mr Brennan and Mrs Sorensen. The eager budding detectives subjected the suspects to serious interrogation about movements, evidence provided in statements, contradictions in their declarations of innocence and analysis of the crime scene.



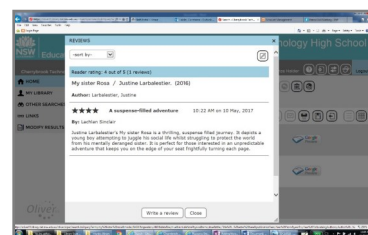
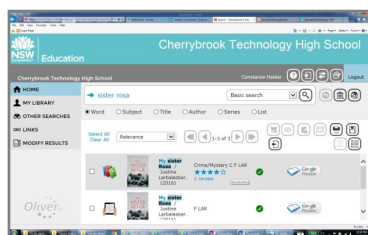
Thank you to Tanmay Bhakta (suspect) and Ben Huang (victim) for their participation in this HSC exam paper fraud case. The truth was revealed as students presented their cases when a fearsome Mr Townsend came to lead away the guilty Mrs Sorensen who loudly proclaimed her innocence while being escorted out.

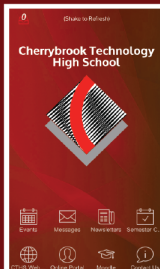


Shelf Talker and Reviews on *Oliver*

Your fellow students and staff are providing book reviews both as 'shelf talkers' and on *Oliver*. As you browse the shelves, you will see these bright orange reviews. On *Oliver* you can read reviews, the stars and number of reviews are indicated if available. We encourage you to write reviews for both the shelves and *Oliver* (on the record of the book: click on Reader Rating/Reviews; select the pencil/edit icon; write your critique). Share your enthusiasm!

Ms Halder





Cherrybrook Technology High School App

Go to the App Store or Google Play and search for "Cherrybrook Technology High School" to download the free app. This will provide you with school information, dates of upcoming events and more. By enabling push notifications you will receive important messages instantly.

WEEKLY SPORTS REPORT



Zone Cross Country

Qualifying students competed at the Zone Cross Country Carnival, which was held at St Ives on Wednesday. CTHS came second overall, behind Pennant Hills High School. *Network* readers will recall that due to a sustained period of wet weather, CTHS was unable to run a Cross Country Carnival this year. Consequently, our Age Champions were determined at the Zone Cross Country Carnival and are as follows:

Age	Boys	Girls
12 years	Alexander Mills	Laura Lott
13 years	Ronith Revaiah	Milena Visser
14 years	Jack Lenane	Alexis Masterton
15 years	Thomas Dickinson	Ella Morris
16 years	Ryan Jones	Hayley Ruspandini
17 years	Mitchell Baker	Eliza Woollett
18 years	Nathan Soo	Natalie Wong

Photographed above are some of our Year 12 students at the Zone Cross Country Carnival. Congratulations to everyone who competed and to those who qualified for the Sydney North Carnival in the coming weeks. Good luck!!!

Athletics Carnival

The annual School Athletics Carnival will be held next Wednesday 31 May and is a **COMPULSORY** full-day event!! Thursday 1 June will be a half day Carnival for the 400 and 800 metre events. Serious runners wishing to participate on Thursday, **MUST** sign up at the PE staffroom, no later than Monday 29 May!!

Good luck to everyone competing; it should be a great day to compete against your friends!!

Georgia Clements and Jack Dickinson, Sports Promotion Officers



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AWARENESS

Food allergies are becoming increasingly common & understanding them is important for everyone.

GET INVOLVED!



ADOPT AN ALLERGY

for one day/week to better understand the challenges faced every day by allergy sufferers. Set up an Allergy & Anaphylaxis Australia supporter page through Everyday Hero so people can sponsor your effort.



PAINT ONE NAIL

to help us raise awareness that 1 in 10 babies born in Australia today will develop a food allergy.



DOWNLOAD A BADGE

from our website and use it through your social media channels to show support and spread awareness about the week.

Want your school or your children's school to take part in Food Allergy Week?

Encourage a teacher to [Adopt An Allergy](#) or organise activities to help us fundraise.

Head to our website to download a schools kit.

www.foodallergyaware.com.au

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SAFER DRIVERS COURSE FOR LEARNER DRIVERS



THE SAFER DRIVERS COURSE INVOLVES TWO MODULES:

MODULE ONE:

A three-hour facilitated group discussion on how to manage risks on the road. This will involve a maximum of 12 participants and will be delivered by a facilitator.



MODULE TWO:

A two-hour, in-vehicle coaching session to develop low-risk driving strategies. This will involve two participants and a coach.

Course cost: \$140



Participants must have completed 50 hours of actual on-road driving experience to be eligible for the course. Credits gained under the 3-for-1 scheme cannot be included.

LEARNER DRIVERS WHO COMPLETE THE COURSE WILL RECEIVE 20 HOURS OFF THEIR LOG BOOK.



ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST:

- Hold a valid NSW Learner Licence
- Be under 25 years of age
- Have completed 50 logbook hours (of actual on road experience and not credits gained under the 3 for 1 professional instruction scheme)

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CALENDAR - Term 2 Week 6B

Monday 29 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 7 Resilience Program Session 3 (plus Year 11 Peer Support Leaders) • Year 12 Senior Science Excursion
Tuesday 30 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICAS Science Competition
Wednesday 31 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTHS Athletics Carnival
Thursday 1 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTHS Athletics Carnival (am)
Friday 2 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HSC Assessment Task - Business Studies • Year 10 Assessment Task - Science Half Yearly



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