

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



### Remembrance Day

All students at Cherrybrook marked the anniversary of the Armistice, which ended World War 1 with a minute's silence at 11.00am on Friday 10 November. Remembrance Day, marking 99 years since the end of the Great War, will occur on Saturday 11 November. Students were provided with details of Remembrance Day by their class teacher.

As always our students were respectful and thoughtful as they reflected on those who had given their life in the service of our country.

### MADD Concert

A reminder this Year's MADD concert is next Wednesday evening, 15 November.

The acronym MADD stands for Music, Art, Dance and Drama and the evening presents some of the very best of our student's work in each of these areas. The night commences at 7pm, with the MPC doors opening at 6.30pm. Entry will be \$5.

### HSC Student Success

Early this week the school was advised of a number of outstanding student achievements, commencing with NESA advising that three separate student Design Projects were being considered for display in the very prestigious SHAPE Exhibition, the annual exhibition of outstanding HSC Design and Technology projects. The HSC works are by Rupin Chauhan, Dharshan Naidu and Jessica Panetta. All three are absolutely outstanding.

Later the school was advised Bailey Hamilton and Adam Hanigan's projects were nominated for inclusion in the INTECH Exhibition, the annual exhibition of outstanding HSC projects by Industrial Technology students.

To top off this great news we also learnt that David Lee's artwork had been nominated for ARTEXPRESS 2017.

Congratulations to all these students and their teachers on their wonderful achievements.

Pleasingly, this information arrived on Tuesday which was the final day of the 2017 HSC examinations. Students can now relax and wait for their results due out on Thursday morning 14 December. Photos of these works are included in this *Network*.



David Lee's Artwork

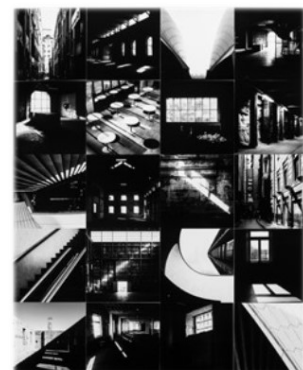
### Hanging of the 2016 ARTEXPRESS Works

After nearly twelve months touring the state and being displayed in various galleries, both country and city, two of our outstanding student artworks returned to Cherrybrook Technology High School this week and have now been hanged in very prominent positions. Laura Stockwell's *Alchemy*, proudly adorns the wall immediately outside the Principal's office where all week visitors to the school have been absolutely knocked over by the quality of the beautiful and very dramatic work.

Likewise, Rachael Soo's extraordinary series of photographs, shot around our beautiful harbour city, have taken pride of place outside the Deputy Principals' offices. Students, staff and community members are often seen simply standing and admiring these mesmerising shots.



Laura Stockwell's Alchemy



Rachael Soo's Works

### **Swimming Carnival**

A reminder the 2018 Swimming Carnival will be held on Wednesday 22 November.

The carnival will take place at the indoor centre at Olympic Park. The demolition of Parramatta Pool has led to the change in venue. All students should have received a note detailing requirements for the carnival, which is a very important day on the school calendar.

All students and parents are reminded this is a **normal school day** and the carnival is part of the NSW school curriculum. **Attendance at the carnival is compulsory.**

### **Final P&C Meeting 2017**

A reminder to all parents our final P&C meeting for 2017 will take place on Tuesday 21 November in the school common room commencing at 8.00pm.

The first part of the meeting will be an opportunity for parents to provide opinions about the school's strengths and weaknesses which, in turn, will assist the school Executive as we move toward our next three-year strategic plan. If you would like to express a view which will assist in establishing the school's direction for the future, please come along.

As this is the final meeting for the year apart from the other usual agenda items, there will be some social Christmas activities.

All parents are encouraged to attend and enjoy the evening.

### **Mufti-Day**

The Student Representative Council held their final mufti-day for the year on Tuesday 7 November. Students raised just over \$2,500. Funds raised will be donated to the Black and White Ribbon Foundations.

The SRC had a full range of activities which complemented the Black and White theme and, as always, our students embraced the day in a very positive way.

A special thank you to George's Fine Meats in the Cherrybrook shopping centre for their support of the student barbecue on the day.

My congratulations to the SRC and Mrs Fletcher for their efforts on the day.

### **Student Attendance and end of Year arrangements**

A reminder to parents all students are to continue attending school until Friday 15 December. Parents are also reminded school will conclude at the end of period 4 on this day. Following period 4 students will attend a very brief assembly from which they will be dismissed for the summer holidays at approximately 12.30pm.

**Any parent who needs their child supervised until 3.00pm on Friday 15 December should contact the school in writing so this may be arranged.**

Your support in ensuring your child attends each day, in full school uniform, until then will be greatly appreciated.

Mr Johnson

### **Year 6 into 7 Transition Morning**

Moving to High School is an anxious time for many Year 6 students and their parents. On Monday, a special transition morning was held at Cherrybrook Technology High School for a small group of Year 6 students, who will be attending CTHS next year. Most of these children were from primary schools where they were the only child from that school who is enrolled at CTHS for 2018. The morning gave these students an opportunity to meet others, in a small group situation, who will be attending CTHS.

These students met their Year 7 Advisers, went on a school tour, participated in some fun classroom activities and had morning tea together in a relaxed atmosphere.

This event was only made possible with the support of many of our staff and students. As usual, these students were made to feel very welcome. While the students all looked extremely anxious when being dropped off by their parents, the difference in their demeanour was obvious by the time they were collected. There were smiles all round and new friendships had been initiated with plans to meet at Orientation Day on 5 December.

Thank you especially to those teachers who provided fun high school lessons for these students, Mrs Saxena (Maths), Mr Wakelin (TAS) and Mrs Sorensen (Library).

Ms Howard, Head Teacher Stage 4



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### SHAPE and INTECH Exhibition 2017 HSC Nominations

The SHAPE and INTECH Exhibitions showcase a selection of outstanding major projects from the HSC Design and Technology, Textiles and Design and Industrial Technology courses.

Last year, 38 Design and Technology, Textiles and Design and Industrial Technology major projects were selected for these prestigious exhibitions. These included:

Thirteen Industrial Technology projects from 215 high achievers nominated from a total of 5,699 students  
Eleven Textiles and Design projects from 40 high achievers nominated from a total of 1,523 students  
Fourteen Design and Technology projects from 176 high achievers nominated from a total of 3,245 students.

This year, five Cherrybrook Technology High School students were nominated for selection into the SHAPE and INTECH showcases! Our successful nominees include:

#### *Design and Technology*

Dharshan Naidu, who designed a Gyroscopic Glove to assist people with hand tremors. The device assists sufferers by stabilising their hand using two small opposed gyroscopes on top of the hand. The device reduces hand tremors and could improve quality of life for hand tremor sufferers.

Jessica Panetta's Mastectomy Swimwear was designed to have aesthetic appeal, hygiene and maximum comfort while giving mastectomy patients confidence to return to swimming activities.

Rupin Chauhan designed a simple Bin Carrying Device, which can safely manoeuvre up to two bins. The design ensures safety from spiders which may be lurking around the bin handles.

#### *Industrial Technology Timber*

Bailey Hamilton's Chess Board and Pieces have been included for consideration to be part of the INTECH Exhibition. The following factors led to this prestigious honor: The painstaking hours Bailey spent on this project to ensure the high quality result; his excellent choice of contrasting timber; the attention to detail for the chess pieces and the high quality portfolio to support the project.

#### *Industrial Technology Electronics*

Adam Hanigan's Guitar Valve Amplifier, has also been nominated for selection in the INTECH Exhibition. His project combines old tube technology, from the 50s and 60s, with modern manufacturing and electronic techniques, including water jet, computer numeric controlled machinery and computer aided design.

Mr Skodras and Mr Hollis

### *INTECH Exhibition HSC Nominations*



*Bailey Hamilton's Chess Board & Pieces*



*Adam Hanigan's Guitar Valve Amplifier*



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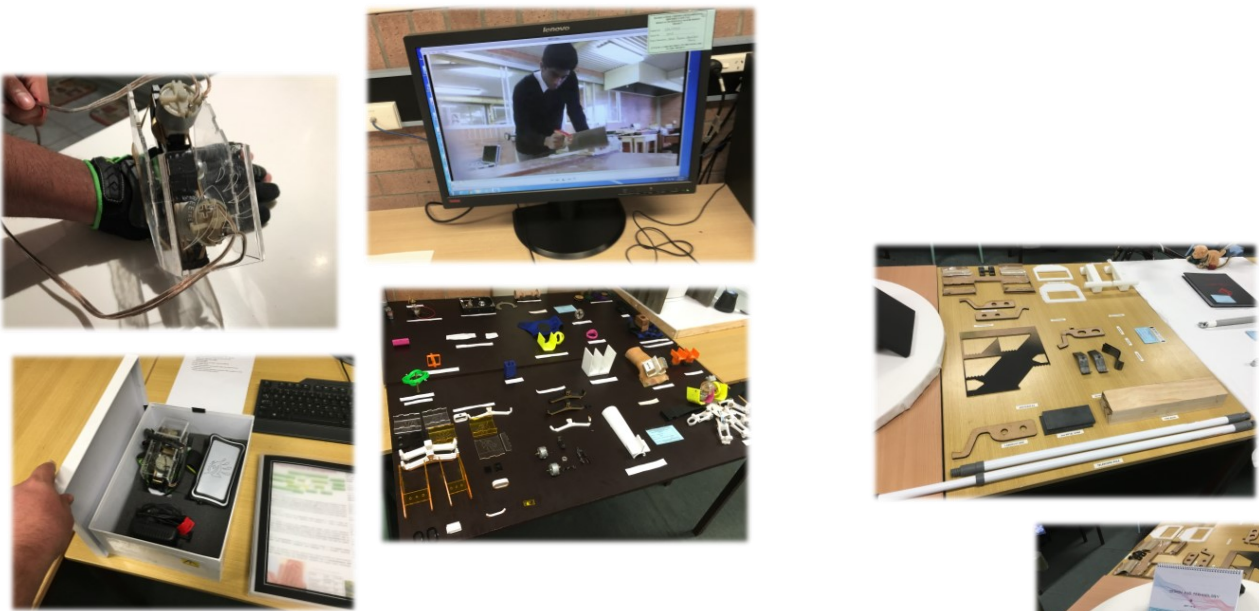


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SHAPE Exhibition HSC Nominations



Dharshan Naidu's Gyroscopic Glove

Rupin Chauhan's Bin Carrying Device



Jessica Panetta's Mastectomy Swimwear

**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.



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### Rite of Passage

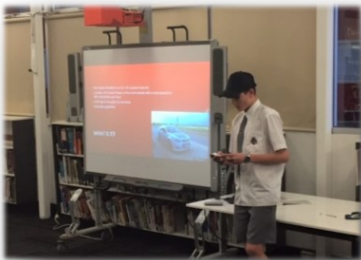
Mrs Bevan and I had the pleasure of attending the Rite of Passage Boys' Initiative Presentation Evening on Tuesday. Each of the boys gave a short presentation on a topic of their choice. Topics included *A Life Story*; *Dream Car*; *Passion for Hip Hop* and *Love of Shoes*. Nikolas Kalimeris explained his passion for music and the guitar and gave a wonderful short performance. Dylan Aquilina and Noah Lumbroso both spoke about the benefits the program has brought them and how it has helped prepare them for future career options.

A big thank you to Mr Pedley-Smith and Mr Fairclough, who were instrumental in developing and delivering the program this year. It would be fair to say the boys have come a long way and overcome many challenges with a strong sense of mateship helping them along the way.

We wish them luck on their upcoming 24-hour endurance challenge from Brooklyn Marina to Bobbin Head! Funds raised from this event will be given to the Commando Welfare Trust, which assists the children of fallen Australian soldiers. If you would like to support the boys in their quest, please go to the school website and follow the link to donate <http://cths.nsw.edu.au/information/upcoming-events/> or <https://www.gofundme.com/cths-24-hour-endurance-challenge>.

Click on the link below to view an article about the Rite of Passage Boys' Initiative, published by the Hills News. <http://www.hillsnews.com.au/story/5039567/a-rite-of-passage/?cs=1454>

Mr Clements



*Photo Courtesy of Geoff Jones, Hills News*



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### Year 9 Barista Training

Fifty two Year 9 students have been selected to participate in the 2018 Barista Program. They will be trained in the art of coffee at the Sydney Coffee Academy at Ryde TAFE. This includes the use of professional barista machines, coffee grinders and the steaming and pouring of milk to make a variety of different coffees. Each group of thirteen baristas will be trained separately and then hone their skills running the CTHS staff coffee shop as work experience. Students will also have the opportunity to operate the coffee machines at John Purchase Primary School and Inala Fair events.

Due to the popularity of the program and the fact some students missed out, we are discussing the option to give additional students the option to complete the one-day course at Ryde TAFE, as many of our students find the program invaluable in finding part time work.

### Year 10 Peer Support Training

On Tuesday 21 November I will be training our 2018 Peer Support Leaders for their role in working with next year's Year 7 students, day 1 and 2 of Term 1. This is a daunting time for Year 7 and we look to our leaders to assist in the transition process and give an understanding of the CTHS experience. The leaders will also be prepared for the pre-camp activities which focus on the importance of a positive school culture and maintaining an inclusive environment at CTHS.

The leaders will also be involved in Rock and Water training with Mr Hartman as they will be working with the Rock and Water team promoting strategies for coping within the Resilience Program in Term 2. The Welfare Team looks forward to working with our new leaders in 2018.

### Further Leadership Opportunities for Year 10

All Year 10 students should be looking to involve themselves in the wider school experience. Boys should consider the Boys' Initiative Group (BIG) run by Mrs Burroughs in 2017 and Miss Campbell in 2018. Girls should consider the Big Sister Program which is an extension of the Peer Support Program and works with smaller groups of Year 7 girls. Applications for the latter program will be opening soon.

### Students with Anaphylaxis

Any student diagnosed with Anaphylaxis **MUST** carry their auto-injector (Epipen) with them at all times with a copy of a **2017 ASCIA Personal Plan** wrapped around it. The carrying of the auto-injector is mandatory for a normal school day and also for excursions such as the Swimming Carnival next week. All CTHS teachers are trained in the use of Epipens and we look to our students to take on the responsibility of ensuring their safety by carrying their auto-injector.

Mr Hind, Head Teacher Welfare



### MasterCard & CTHS Career Mentoring Program

Ten of our students, Mr Clements, Mrs Ferguson, Mrs Bower and parents visited MasterCard at North Sydney on Thursday this week to celebrate the conclusion of the 2017 Career Mentoring Partnership Program.



This was an inspirational occasion with both mentors and mentees presenting their reflections of the program, including highlights and important life lessons learnt.

Here are some of the reflections from our students:

- Mentee: "How do you approach large tasks?" Mentor: "How do you eat an Elephant? One bite at a time."
- "Talk to people - i.e. everyone can offer you a new opinion, because it is the small conversations that help you along the way to understanding what you want to pursue in life."
- "Getting a job somewhere is chiefly about *fitting in with the company's culture*, so making sure you gel with people and that the company's values align with your own are quite imperative."
- "Finding out how whatever desk work is being done actually affects the outside world was very insightful."
- "A first-hand, vivid insight into the nature of corporate lifestyle which I really appreciated."
- "I learnt vital skills in the entrepreneurial and business world such as the importance of communication, teamwork and managing risk."
- "Witnessing a discussion between MasterCard and one of the four big banks taking place was a highlight."
- "This experience has given me the tips and connections to be a step ahead of the pack after I leave school."

We would like to formally thank the MasterCard Mentors for their ongoing support of these students and in particular, the Team Leader, Joseph Vukasovic, Global Head and Vice President MasterCard for his coordination of this program in partnership with our school.

We look forward to continuing this career mentoring partnership and expanding the program in the future.

Mrs Bower and Mrs Ferguson



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## CAREERS UPDATE

### What to do if you don't get into your first preference

You might be a bit worried about getting a lower ATAR than you hoped. It certainly won't be the end of the world, read these two articles for some tips of what to do next.

<https://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/education-blogs/tertiary-study/what-to-do-if-you-didn-t-get-into-your-first-preference>  
<https://theconversation.com/so-you-didnt-get-a-great-atar-its-not-the-end-of-the-world-35361>



### Western Sydney Uni HSC True Reward

At Western, we believe hard work deserves its own reward, a reward which reflects your ability to succeed. If you do well in your subjects at school, we know you can go on to do well at university. Open to 2017 NSW HSC students, it makes an early offer for entry to a degree based on corresponding HSC subject band outcomes. Applications close Monday 11 December.

[https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/informationabout/bonuspoints/early\\_offer\\_2018?cid=HP-OMC-earlyoffer2018\\_hsctruereward](https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/informationabout/bonuspoints/early_offer_2018?cid=HP-OMC-earlyoffer2018_hsctruereward)

### Have You Checked Out the NSW Smart and Skilled Website Lately?

Want to find courses to get your career moving? On their [website](#), search using the blue box on the home page for courses in your chosen field and location.

You'll find a range of courses which will help you get the skills you need to find a job and you'll also be able to see if you are eligible for fee assistance (Hint: Lots of courses have scholarships or fee assistance right now). Once you have chosen a few possible courses it is easy to get in touch with the providers listed on the screen to enrol. Get started now <https://smartandskilled.nsw.gov.au/>.

### Tech Girls Movement

The Tech Girls Movement aims to get more women and girls interested in technology and involved in STEM careers. Find out about the movement on the website. Visit their inspiring videos page <http://www.techgirlsmovement.org/inspring-videos/>.

### 7 amazing engineering careers

<https://careerswithstem.com/7-amazing-engineering-careers/>

### The BiG Day In™

The BiG Day In™ is an IT careers conference designed by students for students. It is designed for both high school (Years 9-12) and University students interested in careers in technology. UTS Sydney, Tuesday 20 March 2018.

<http://www.thebigdayin.com.au/events>

### 2017 Skillaroos

Read about the young people who competed for Australia in the 2017 WorldSkills Championships. Find out about what they are training in and how they have got to where they are.

Meet the Skillaroos <https://www.worldskills.org.au/competitions/abu-dhabi-uae/>

Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Bower



### Major Changes to Train, Bus and Ferry Network

Please Note: From 26 November 2017 substantial changes are being introduced to bus, train and ferry timetables which may impact on your children's journey to and from school. Transport NSW announced there will be over 8,600 amendments to transport services, including faster trains, different departure and arrival times, different stops or platforms and, on some occasions, a complete change of train lines. Parents/guardians are advised to check their child's travel timetables for possible alterations to these services.

Check: [transportnsw.info](http://transportnsw.info) <http://transportnsw.info> or call 131 500 for more information.



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The Northern Sydney Youth Orchestra (NSYO) is inviting young musicians to join its **Symphony Orchestra, Wind Ensemble & String Orchestra**. Our youth orchestras rehearse weekly at Beecroft on Wednesdays.

From July 4th-15<sup>th</sup>, 2018, NSYO will take a 10-day **European tour to Vienna, Salzburg & Prague** and will be participating in the Summa Cum Laude International Youth Music Festival.

If you play **winds, strings or percussion**, we are auditioning new members to join in Term 4, in time to join our tour.

**Auditions** will be held **Wednesday 6th December** between **4pm - 6pm** at the Beecroft Presbyterian Church Hall, Mary St, Beecroft.

For details, please feel free to contact us: [info@nsyo.org.au](mailto:info@nsyo.org.au)

You may fill out our online application form at:  
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# *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

**Wednesday 6 December 7:30pm**

**St Matthews Anglican Church**

**cnr New Line and Castle Hill Roads West Pennant Hills**

Helen Thomas will share her daughter Zoe's story:  
a story of God's faithfulness in teaching her family some lessons  
that he has been teaching us all, since the beginning of time.

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 6B

Monday 13 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 10 White Ribbon Domestic Violence Program - pds1 &amp; 2, MPC</li> <li>• Year 7 Literary Festival</li> </ul>
Tuesday 14 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mentoring Debriefing Session - 7.30am-8.30am</li> <li>• Year 10 Debating Competition</li> </ul>
Wednesday 15 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HSC Assessment Task - Japanese Extension</li> <li>• MADD Concert - 7pm, MPC</li> </ul>
Thursday 16 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zone Grade Final</li> <li>• Year 11/12 Economics (RBA) Excursion</li> <li>• Year 9 Debating Competition</li> <li>• Year 7 Gala Day</li> </ul>
Friday 17 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motivational Media Presentations Year 8 - 11/12</li> <li>• Year 7 Zoo Excursion</li> <li>• HSC Assessment Task - Japanese Beginners</li> <li>• HSC Assessment Task - Textiles</li> <li>• HSC Assessment Task - French Continuers</li> </ul>



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