

NETWORK

Cherrybrook Technology High School

Term 4

Week 2A

26 October 2018

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



HSC Commences

The HSC commenced for our Year 12 students on Thursday of last week beginning with English. Although some very nervous students walked into the MPC, they were excited and happy the exams were finally underway.

Year 9 Camp

The Great Aussie Bush Camp hosted our Year 9 students for their camp this year. From all reports students had a fantastic time, participating in activities such as kayaking, archery, high ropes and many more. I would like to thank Mr Monahan for his organisation as well as all the staff who gave up three days of their time to accompany our students to camp.

Beautiful Minds Wellbeing Workshops

Our Year 7 students participated in the *Beautiful Minds* program this week, which focussed on student wellbeing. Students were able to discuss wellbeing issues which were of concern to them and were given strategies to implement to improve their mental health. One very important strategy students were given was to have a break from social media. Students were challenged to give up social media for one day per week or have a technology/device-free day. This challenge was met with mixed responses with some students believing it to be an impossible task.

Year 11 Parent/Teacher Information Evening

On Tuesday night, 30 October, there will be a meeting for all Year 11 students and their parents. This meeting will address the demands of Year 12 and what is expected of Year 12 students. Their Reports and Year 12 2019 Assessment Booklets will also be handed out during the evening.

The Information Evening will commence at 7.00pm in the school MPC. I encourage all parents to attend.

Swimming Carnival and Year 8 Life Saving

The Swimming Carnival will be held at Waves Fitness and Aquatic Centre Baulkham Hills next week Wednesday, 31 October. Students in Years 8 - 11 are expected to attend.

The Year 8 Life Saving program also commenced today. Students will complete the program at Hornsby Pool.

GPs in Schools Program

The *GPs in Schools Program* will commence next week at Cherrybrook Technology High School. Local GPs will facilitate small group discussion with our Year 11 students, giving them the support and resources they need to ensure health problems do not interfere with their studies.

Summer Uniform

Just a reminder summer uniform should now be worn to school. As always, hoodies are still not permitted to be worn. If you cannot wear correct uniform, please ensure you have a signed note from a parent or carer indicating why you could not be in uniform for that day.

Congratulations to...

- Matthew Taylor who has been selected to represent Sydney North Schools Sports Association in Boys' Water Polo.
- Erin Browne in Year 9 for her fantastic achievement at the Australian Irish Dance Championships held during the past holidays in Cairns. She placed in the top ten and has qualified to dance at An Commisiun Le Rince Gaelacha World Irish Dance Championships 2019 to be held in Greenboro North Carolina in April next year. She also danced at the North American Irish National Dance Championships in July this year and she recently won the Southern Cross Feis in the lead up to National Irish Dance Championships.

Mrs Gatt



Achieving Together

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Year 9 Camp



DAILY ABSENTEE TEXTS

Please be advised, if you receive a text from the school alerting you of your child's absence, you may respond to the text. However, this is a stand-alone process and **ONLY** for the purpose of absentees. **Please DO NOT text the school unless you receive a message from CTHS and DO NOT use this system for any other communication. Thank you**

SCHOOL CARPARKS

Boom gates are installed in both school carparks. Parking is available to staff only, between the hours of 7.00am and 4.00pm on school days. Ample street parking is available for visitors to the school.

Beautiful Minds Workshop



ABSENTEE NOTES

- Please ensure notes to the school contain your child's **FULL NAME** and **year** plus the **date** and **reason for absence**
- Absentee notes should be handed in to the student window the first day back after an absence
- Notes must be received within seven days of returning to school otherwise it will be recorded as 'unjustified'.

Warrawi Yana Nura – ‘Stand Tall, Walk Tall in Country’ Aboriginal Students Cultural and Leadership Program

Warrawi Yana Nura is an Aboriginal Leadership Camp, which runs every year, giving Aboriginal students the opportunity to meet other Aboriginal students around Sydney and together, learn more about the diverse Aboriginal culture and how we can embrace and continue this culture. We were lucky enough to be chosen for the 2018 program with around 20 other kids from the Sydney area. This program included seven days throughout the year where we met at Brewongle Environmental Education Centre, two of which were an overnight stay at the end of Term 3. We have one more day still to come in Term 4. Each day had a different theme or purpose behind it and has allowed us to learn so much more about Aboriginal culture.

Throughout these days we have gone canoeing, learnt Aboriginal dances, spoken with Aboriginal Elders and visited quite a few sacred sites, as well as created a canoe from tree bark, which took two full days of everyone contributing to complete the canoe. Creating the canoe was definitely a highlight, as we were able to witness the traditional creation that was extremely common within Aboriginal culture, allowing us to see how they used the tree in a way that caused no harm to it. This experience has been so amazing, as we have been able to learn more in depth about our culture and talk to many knowledgeable Elders and adults, who have shown us the unique and diverse culture we are a part of.

We have made many friends through this program and have been able to take away so many amazing memories and such priceless knowledge from people who were involved in it. We are sad that this program is coming to an end, but are so glad that we got the chance to be a part of it!

Lara Woollett and Lara Walker, Year 10



Australasian Problem Solving Mathematics Olympiads

The Australasian Problem Solving Mathematics Olympiads (APSMO) is an international competition, which consists of a series of five papers, each with a set of five problems which challenge your mathematical skills. Each question has a different stage of complication and also requires you to use various techniques to solve the problems.

Competing in the Maths Olympiads opens students' minds to new problems, which allows them to discover different solving strategies.

This year 517 teams participated in the competition. CTHS entered three teams, one team from Year 7 and two teams from Year 8. We achieved outstanding results with one of the Year 8 teams coming fourteenth. The other two teams were ranked in the top 30% of this competition.

Of special note, five students were placed in the top 2% of all participants in the APSMO competition. Congratulations to Jerry Zheng, Vihaan Jain, Edwin Lui, Liya Ruan and Terry Kim from Year 8.

Mrs Tolhurst, Maths Olympiad Coordinator



*Left to right: Jerry Zheng, Vihaan Jain,
Edwin Lui, Liya Ruan & Terry Kim*

MAD CARDS

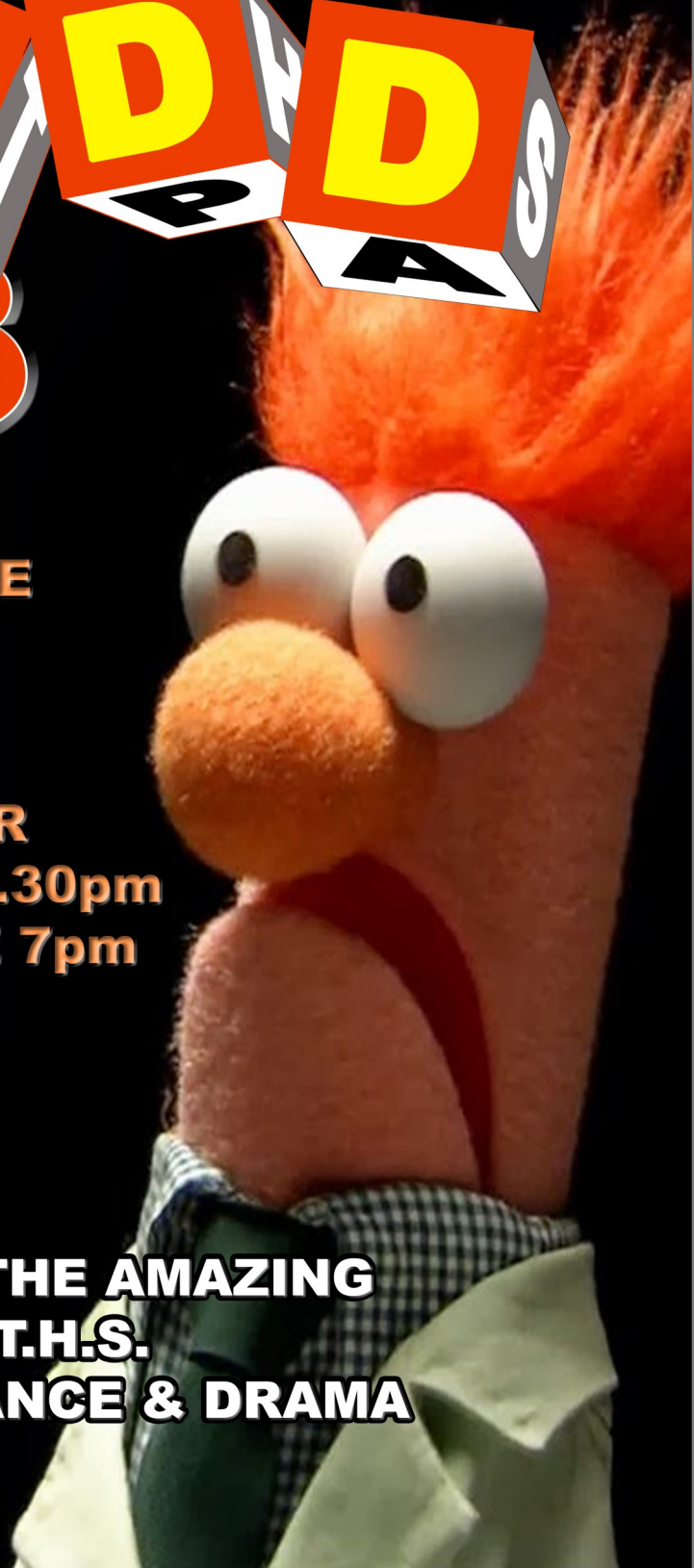
2018

**C.T.H.S.
MULTI-PURPOSE
CENTRE**

**WEDNESDAY
21st NOVEMBER
DOORS OPEN 6.30pm
PERFORMANCE 7pm**

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**SHOWCASING THE AMAZING
TALENTS OF C.T.H.S.
MUSIC, ART, DANCE & DRAMA
STUDENTS**

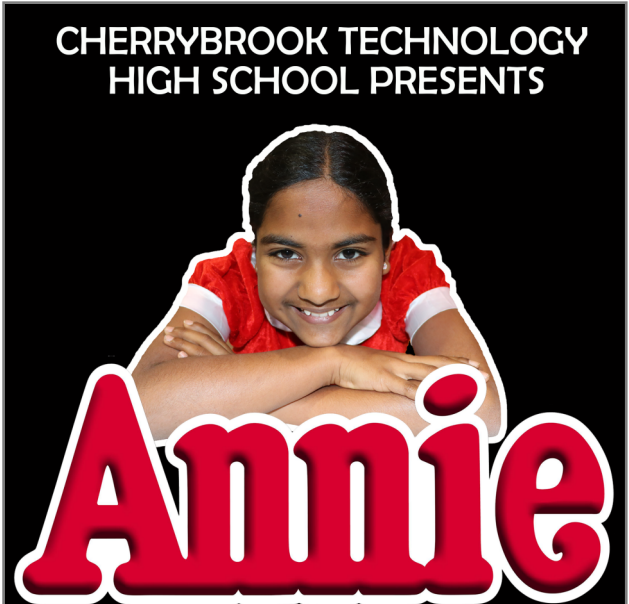


Barista Training

On Tuesday 23 October, thirteen Year 10 students, accompanied by Mr Hollis, went to Ryde TAFE to learn the basics of being a Barista. The students attending the event were Alice An, Jeffrey Cheng, Lucia Culas, Joanna Han, Sun Hee, Amy Hill, Kathy Hoh, Jain Kashish, Sophia Koller, Ashley Kua, Monica Li, Annelies Sannen and Kacey Shin.

The day began at 7.30am with a bus ride to Ryde TAFE. We learnt about the origins of coffee, how to take good care of the beans and what makes a good *crema*. Ivan, our Trainer, had a clear passion for the art of the Barista which was appreciated by the students and myself. We all made a variety of coffees, some of which we drank to gain the taste of a good coffee. Students should be proud of their ability to work as a team and they conducted themselves in a very mature way.

Mr Hollis



Book by THOMAS MEEHAN Music by CHARLES STROUSE Lyrics by MARTIN CHARNIN

Original Broadway Production
by
MARTIN CHARNIN

Cherrybrook Technology
High School
MPC

Thursday 14 March, 7PM
Friday 15 March, 7PM
Saturday 16 March, 7PM

Students \$10 Concession \$10
Adults \$15 Family \$45

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PROCEDURES 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.**

From the Library

2018 Literary Festival

A reminder to Year 7 students, the bright pink permission note for this incursion should be returned signed and with accompanying payment by 2 November. If you do not have this, please come to the library to collect one.

On this day of delights you may create a poem, write some beautiful passages, draw an evocative image, laugh at the hilarity of Italian Renaissance style drama and enjoy the many wonders of the written/spoken word and the power of illustrations.

Teachers read beyond their subject expertise

Laura Chae and Vidumini Malalagama of Year 7 are interviewing teachers about their reading memories and preferences. Here is their glimpse into the world of Mr Woo.

Ms Sorensen and Ms Halder

An Apology

Mr Michal Rogowski has brought to my attention that I have used an image which is the creation of Mrs Wiktoria Bieszk. Unfortunately, the way I located the image, its provenance was not clear. The image was used to represent the 2017 Book Week theme *Escape to everywhere*. It beautifully evoked this theme so I used it in our library news promoting Book Week. Unaware of its provenance, I failed to attribute the work.

I am very sorry for this omission. My sincere apologies to Mrs Wiktoria Bieszk for this unattributed use.

Ms Halder

Disappointing books?

Tess of the d'Urbervilles. He was forced to study this book and the more he studied it, the more he got depressed. It was a story about how miserable life is. Books that don't have a moral, or have one that is disappointing, are disappointing to Mr Woo.

Books or Movies?

Both. Movies can help you understand the story in a way that a book can't, since they can show you different point views. Books are more descriptive and they always have more detail than a movie can ever have. Books take you into a different world for hours, days or months. They can change the way you think about life, the society and the world.

Interviewing Mr Woo

Hardcopies or e-books?

Hardcopies. There's something special about holding a book in your hands. Sometimes books have a history behind it, or the book itself might have a story. He loves to read books and personalise them such as making notes, but when you do it on e-books it's not the same as writing with pencil. E-books are rather identical. They're cool, but it's better to actually hold it in your hands.

Sports Report



Hey everyone! We are Alina Chieh and Isabella Ong, your 2018/19 female Sport Vice Captains. While we are approaching the end of the year, we still have plenty of upcoming sporting events and achievements to present! Keep an eye out on the sports' noticeboard outside the PE staffroom. If you have any sporting related achievements, make sure to inform us so we can mention you in the *Network*.

Sport Awards Presentation Ceremony

Our school Sport Awards Presentation Ceremony is being held at the end of this Term. While this may seem to be a long time away, we need students to check the sports' notice board to see if they are receiving an award, as well as check their names are listed for the awards they should be receiving. Please be aware these awards aren't just limited to Age Champions at the carnivals, but are also given to the *Best and Fairest* players from grade sport teams each season. This means anyone who has played in a grade sport team this year could be receiving an award, so everyone should go and look at the board. If there are any questions about awards, please see Mr Ibarra as soon as possible.

Annual CTHS Swimming Carnival

Next week, Wednesday 31 October, we have our School Swimming Carnival. The entire school will be going to Waves pool in Baulkham Hills. This event is **compulsory with participation by Years 7-10 contributing towards their final PDHPE grade!** We recommend everyone challenges themselves to compete in at least one race! Even if you don't swim, it is great to come along and have a fun day with all your mates.

Since it is an outdoor pool, remember to bring sunscreen. It's predicted to be 30°C and sunny, so make the most of that beautiful weather and participate! Make sure to keep checking the weather until the day so you are well prepared. There is a canteen at the pool, but it is recommended students bring their own lunch and snacks. Remember to bring swimmers, towels and loud cheers for all those competing. Check the Daily Notices for information on what to do and where to go on the day. Good luck to all those swimming, see you in one week!

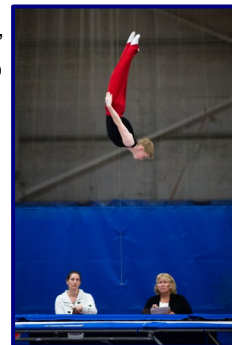
Year 8 Life Saving

On 26 and 29 October and 2 November, Year 8 will be participating in their Life Saving program. This is an excellent program which educates Year 8 on swimming skills and first aid. Check the Daily Notices for information on what group you are in and which pool you are attending. See the PE teachers if there are any issues. Hope you all have fun!

Special Mention

Congratulations to Max Lancaster in Year 7, who placed third in his 13 Years Boys' Group in the Combined High School's Trampoline competition! We at CTHS are so proud of your sporting achievements!

Alina Chieh and Isabella Ong, Sport Vice Captains



Careers Update

Business Careers Excursion

Thirty enthusiastic Year 10 students, dressed in business attire, visited Lendlease at Barangaroo to explore careers in business, marketing, construction and finance. The event was hosted by one of our CTHS parents, Niluka De Silva, and included seminars and activities on preparing for job interviews, panel discussions from different career areas at Lendlease and an extensive tour of the impressive facilities. Students visited different workspaces and were in awe of the state-of-the-art facilities. It was fascinating to see the different ways in which staff work, such as *hot desking*, collaborative pods and in meeting rooms, which incorporate virtual reality. Examples of staff wellbeing initiatives included a wellness centre and a breathing wall to improve air quality.



In the final session, students were able to address questions to staff from different parts of the business. They were inspired to consider pathways to careers, skills needed and the value of working for a company with lots of opportunities.

CTHS wishes to gratefully acknowledge the efforts of Niluka in preparing such a wonderful experience for our students, as well as thank Michael, Kristen, Uma and the HR staff for their valuable contributions during the sessions organised throughout the day.

Compare Universities across Australia - Student Educational Experience - ACS

This guide provides a series of ratings and insights across a range of indicators. The ratings show that courses and institutions differ in many ways. Only you can decide which difference really matters to you. These ratings give an overview only - make sure you undertake further careful research before choosing a course and campus.

<https://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/docs/pdfs/Ratings.pdf>

Western Sydney University U Day for Senior Students

This event provides the opportunity for high school students to speak to current Western Sydney University students and academic staff, and to explore the range of courses available at the University through academic presentations and interactive activities. If you are interested in this event, please speak to the Careers Advisers and visit the link below for more information.

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/student-life/events/western-sydney-u-day.html?utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Western+U+Day+2018+November&utm_content=westernsydney.edu.au%2Ffuture%2Fstudent-life%2Fevents%2Fwestern-sydney-u-day.html&utm_source=www.vision6.com.au

Mrs Bower and Mrs Ferguson

CTHS Website - now a secure site

Please upgrade your bookmarks/favourites to the new website URL: <https://cths.nsw.edu.au>

Remember to check the website regularly for the latest newsletters, photo galleries, upcoming events and so on, as well as all the usual information regarding school contacts, curriculum and Stage information, school history, policies, P&C meetings and much more.

Lendlease Excursion



REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!

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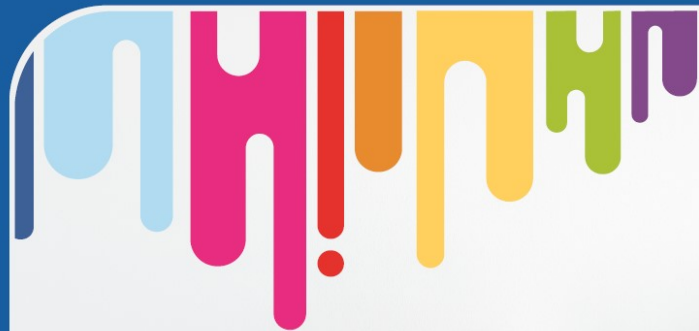


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CTHS New Building Celebration



A dinner to celebrate our school's excellent facilities, staff and community which give our children a positive learning environment.

Proceeds will be directed toward landscaping the upper school grounds.

Refreshing pre-dinner drinks, sumptuous 3 course meal, meet the staff, hear about the school's future.

Silent auctions, raffles and entertainment.

Limited number of reservations - please purchase your tickets as soon as possible. Put a table together with your friends (10-12 per table).

Date: Tuesday 13 November, 2018

Time: 6.30pm to 10pm

Location: Biviano's Restaurant, 628 Old Northern Rd, Dural

Dress: Formal

Tickets: \$95 per person

Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/411475>

Contact: Gav Poole 0425 375 401

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CALENDAR - Term 4 Week 3B

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| Monday 29 October | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 8 Life Saving |
| Tuesday 30 October | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15s KO Netball • GPs in Schools - C2.1, Year 11 only • Year 11 into 12 Information Night - 7pm (Reports Distributed) |
| Wednesday 31 October | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTHS Swimming Carnival |
| Thursday 1 November | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 9 Science Yearly Exam |
| Friday 2 November | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 8 Life Saving • Year 10 Yearly Examination (5.1, 5.2 & 5.3) • Mentoring Presentation Ceremony |