

Week 3B Term 1 15 February 2019

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



One of the most prestigious events on the Cherrybrook Technology High School calendar is the High Achievers' Presentation Ceremony, which celebrates the HSC achievements of the previous year's Year 12 cohort. In his speech, Mr Johnson updated us on our HSC results. Highlighting the outstanding achievements and growth in CTHS's results. Congratulations to all students on their excellent results. As a school we are proud of your efforts and celebrate your success with you.

A special mention goes to four of our Highest Achievers, Rebecca McKee with an ATAR of 99.40; and Angad Ahuja, Wanyun Qu and Dylan Vellani with ATAR's of 99.35. Rebecca McKee received the Commonwealth

Bank Award for the Highest ATAR; and Angad Ahuja, Wanyun Qu and Dylan Vellani received the Cherrybrook P&C Award for Equal Second.

Helena Granziera, past CTHS School Captain and Alumni member, gave a wonderful keynote address to the assembly speaking about her own experiences of high school and university and the pressures she placed on herself to perform to a very high standard. She was successful in achieving an ATAR over 99, but ultimately her wellbeing suffered as a result. A word of advice to the class of 2018 was to find something you are passionate about in life and follow through with this in order to cope with the pressures. For Helena, this was education and sport. She is now a primary school teacher at John Purchase Public School where she looks after the gifted and talented class and is passionate about her work with the education of young children and ongoing PhD study looking into the mental health issues amongst the teaching workforce.

She spoke from the heart about a topic that many find raw to hear and others difficult to cope with. She received wonderful feedback from many parents in the audience who congratulated her on a courageous speech that resonated with many. We thank Helena for her involvement in the Ceremony.

School Photos

School photos took place for the entire school on Monday with a catch-up day on Wednesday. It was obvious students went to great efforts to ensure they looked their best for the day. School photo day ran extremely smoothly as a result of Mr Pathuis' and Mrs Tolhurst's fine organisational skills and we thank them for their efforts.

Year 7 Swimming Carnival

Year 7 students and a number of Year 11 Peer Support Leaders were lucky to enjoy a great day for their Swimming Carnival at Hornsby Aquatic Centre on Friday. This Carnival was well attended, with many students participating in a range of events including the novelty races. It was great to see the enjoyment of all students as they competed in their first high school Carnival for 2019. A big thank you goes to the Year 11 Peer Support Leaders, who encouraged Year 7 students on the day, as well as the PE staff for their organisation of the event.

Year 12 Parent/Teacher Interviews

A reminder, Tuesday 26 February will be the first of our Parent/Teacher Interviews for 2019, with Year 12 parents having the opportunity to meet their child's teachers from 4pm-7pm in the MPC, to discuss their progress thus far. Year 12 students are also encouraged to attend to learn some strategies they need to implement on their HSC journey. Bookings for the night can be made on the Parent Portal. The booking window will open from 9am, Monday 18 February and close 5pm, Sunday 24 February.

Valentine's Day

A Happy Valentine's Day for many was spent on Thursday, as they received roses at school. Our SRC has worked tirelessly this week to sell, organise and wrap, many, many roses to make this the special day that it is. Money raised will be donated to Make a Wish Foundation. A big thank you must go to Mrs Fletcher, Mr LaGinestra and the entire SRC team for their incredible efforts this week.

P&C Meeting

The P&C Meeting was also held on Tuesday night, with Mr Johnson giving a presentation on the 2018 HSC results, which was warmly received. The next P&C Meeting will be the Annual General Meeting. This will be held on Tuesday 12 March in the Staff Common Room at 7.30pm. We encourage all parents to become involved in this wonderful body, which supports the staff and students in so many ways. Put the date in your diary! The P&C Meeting minutes are available on the CTHS website: https://cths.nsw.edu.au/community/parents-and-citizens-association/

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Year 7 Swimming Carnival









Barista Training

On Wednesday 13 February, fifteen Year 10 students, accompanied by Ms Sacco, attended the Australian Barista School in Sydney CBD to learn basic and advanced techniques in making coffee and creating coffee art. Our students and Ms Sacco had to complete a theoretical component prior to the excursion and worked with three trainers across two practical sessions.

Students were taught how to froth milk, make espresso and make all the coffees you would find in a café, as well as clean and maintain the coffee machine as part of the basic program. In the additional Coffee Art class, they were shown how to froth milk more effectively, etching techniques, fudge art techniques and free pouring techniques. Students are eager to demonstrate their skills to CTHS staff. The five-hour practical course, plus theory component, has given our baristas recognition in the units of competency: Prepare and serve espresso coffee and use hygienic practices for food safety.

Our students had a wonderful time and returned to CTHS with recommendations which could further improve the school coffee shop. We will be returning to the Australian Barista School each term to train more Year 10 students, as well as CTHS staff supervisors. I would like to thank Ms Sacco for her support and involvement in this training day.

Mr Hind, Head Teacher Wellbeing







Valentine's Day



Clubs - Valentine's Day
Thursday was Valentine's Day and there was a special edition of Clubs where more than fifty students attended and decorated heart shaped biscuits. Some gave them to their Valentine, but many ate them themselves.

Clubs run every lunchtime in B1.20. Below is the schedule:

Card and Game Club Mondays: Wednesdays: Homework Club Fridays: Chill-out Club

Watch out for special editions of Club on Tuesdays and Thursdays.



OnSTAGE 2019

With so many incredibly innovative and thought-provoking Group and Individual performances and projects on show at this year's OnSTAGE, our Year 12 Drama students engaged deeply in stimulating and enlivened debate and discussion following our trip to the Seymour Centre last Saturday. Richly creative work is what stands to spring from such experiences. Our Year 12 HSC Drama Performance Night in August will hopefully boast a suite of grippingly memorable works, but for now it is a case of rolling up those sleeves and getting stuck into business of invigorated collaboration.

Ms Cannon



Annie, the Musical

Each year, Cherrybrook Technology High School performs a musical or play theatre production. This year the school's musical production, a performance of the musical *Annie*, will be premiering in March and showcases the talent of many CTHS students and their skills in the Performing Arts. The performance will highlight the students' great talent, dedication and hard work. Every Thursday afternoon, the orchestra plays in collaboration with the acting cast of *Annie*. They rehearse each week from 1pm until 5pm under the direction of Mr Anthony Felton, an exceptional Music teacher at CTHS. The orchestra draws upon the skills of many talented musicians playing a variety of instruments, ranging all the way from the delicate string instruments, the bold brass section and a solid woodwind section.

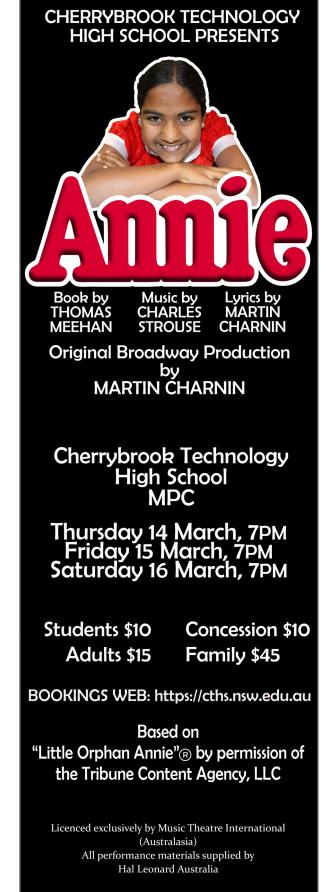
Through this experience, they are able to express themselves through their instruments and music, and many of us have learnt skills to utilise in our daily lives, including dedication to practice, patience and punctuality.

Being part of the school's musical is truly an honour, requiring much hard work and dedication for its success. We would all like to invite you to attend the CTHS theatre production of *Annie*, the Musical on 14, 15 and 16 March.

We hope to see you there!

Thank you so much!

Naomi Kirkwood, Year 8



From the Library

Year 12 Study Skills

Year 12 students have received their permission notes for the Study Skills incursion run by Elevate Education. This year, exam preparation, time management, stress management and wellbeing will be addressed. Spare notes are available from the circulation desk in the library. Families will also have received electronic communication for this incursion, which all students are expected to attend. Please complete and return these forms and payment promptly.

Library Lovers' Day

On 14 February, beautiful blossoms and bouquets brightened the day to honour St Valentine, declare love for 'someone' and reaffirm enduring friendship and family. Library Lovers' Day expanded this to encompass the love of books and libraries.

Our school is lucky to have a great library whose value is acknowledged by the generous support of the P&C. During Library Lovers' Day, students were able to have a blind date with a book, share or suggest the title of a good read or a great author on the whiteboard or complete a 'Why I love my library' heart for the whiteboard.

While the school's library welcomes you at school, remember there are many local libraries. These offer programs for students, community engagement and space for activities. So explore and discover or nourish your interests. Readers and communities are sharing their books by constructing Little Free Libraries in public spaces. The Footpath Library "enriches lives by giving free books to homeless people" who love this offer. The State Library is indispensable for senior students. Access to eResources is convenient while atmosphere, exhibits and assistance are a bonus when you visit.

Recommend a Book

Ms Sorensen is keenly and impatiently waiting for your reading/author recommendations. Have you read a beautiful, tragic, exciting, sad, funny, unforgettable, mysterious ... book? Write its details on a note and deposit it in the red box at the circulation desk.

Ms Halder and Ms Sorensen









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Sports Report

Sydney North 'Blue' Awards

At CTHS, we have some outstanding sporting talent. Two of our most outstanding athletes, Thomas Pellow of Year 12 and Rahul Desai of Year 11, recently attended the Sydney North Blue Presentation Night on Tuesday. Tom received his Blue Award for Softball while Rahul received his for Tennis. This is an amazing achievement and we congratulate you on these Awards!

Open Boys' Basketball Knockout

The open boys' Basketball Knockout Team played their first round of the Knockout Competition against Epping Boys' High School on Tuesday this week. Unfortunately, the boys went down in a very tight game, 47-43. This is a tough way to go out, but was still an amazing achievement.

Year 7 Swimming Carnival

CTHS held our annual Year 7 Swimming Carnival on Friday. The turnout was outstanding and the day was fun-filled. We hope you all had a great day and enjoyed your first Carnival at CTHS. Remember there are many more to come so get excited! Thanks a lot, to the PDHPE staff for organising what was a great day for the Year 7s. Also, a shout-out to the Sports Executive for their efforts in welcoming the Year 7's into the school, sharing spirit and laughter.

Year 7 Lunchtime Sport

This coming week, Year 7 House sport is starting up again and will take place on the basketball courts. This event is an initiative the Sports Executive started last year, aimed at building House spirit while also allowing the younger years more opportunity to play sport at CTHS. This week's sport will be basketball. Keep an eye out for the daily notices, so you know how to sign up. So come along and bring your mates, for a fun lunchtime!

Upcoming Events

Monday 18 February: Sydney North AFL Trials, Under 15 Boys

Monday 25 February: Zone Świmming Carnival

Thursday 21 March: Sydney North Swimming Carnival

Thursday 21 March: Year 7 Gala Day

Saturday 6-Tuesday 9 April: NSWCHS Swimming Carnival Wednesday 10 April: CTHS Athletics Carnival

Thursday 11 April: CTHS Athletics Carnival Half Day

Matthew Rose, Sports Vice Captain



Learn Tennis

Coaching and Supervision by USA and Australian Qualified Coach Former Davis Cup Player

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Free Racquet

For new enrolments under 12 years

Venue: Hastings Park Tennis Complex, Belltree Cres. (Oakhill area)

Castle Hill

Eng: Frank 965 965 99 Mob 0402 845 845 email: frank@gstaaustralia.com.au



Careers Update

Go Volunteering!

There are lots of opportunities to be a volunteer in your local community, such as Rural Fire Service, St John Ambulance, Surf Lifesaving Society, surf clubs, WIRES, Meals on Wheels, Red Cross, Salvation Army and St Vincent de Paul shops.

Why being a VOLUNTEER in the COMMUNITY is important:

- * Increases self-confidence
- * Makes you happy!
- * Is great for career and job prospects
- * Helps you demonstrate compassion and commitment
- * Develops skills to add to your resume.

For further information, search 'Volunteering in Australia'. The following links might get you started with some ideas and contacts:

https://govolunteer.com.au www.volunteeringaustralia.org www.conservationvolunteers.com.au www.australianvolunteers.com www.redcross.org.au/volunteering.aspx www.salvationarmy.org.au/get-involved/Volunteer

Focus on ... Job Searching

Have a search strategy!

If you are serious about obtaining a part-time job, use a range of methods to connect with potential employers.

Organisation Websites

Many firms advertise vacancies online and have a portal where you can apply from the website. For example, Dominos Pizza, McDonalds, Coles, Woolworths, Target, Red Rooster, Pizza Hut, Kmart, Aldi, Just Jeans, Hungry Jacks, City Beach.



Important tip: Research the business before applying, and make sure you give exactly the information the firm is asking for

Career Websites

There are websites which employers use to list job vacancies. For example, www.seek.com.au, www.careerone.com.au, www.seek.com.au, www.seek.com.au, www.seek.com.au, www.careerone.com.au, www.seek.com.au, www.seek.com.au,

Important tip: Keep an eye on the websites, as sometimes jobs are filled within hours of being listed by employers!

Cold Calling

Many employers, especially small business firms in your local area, don't advertise online, and prefer a personal touch. You can drop a letter and resume in to the firm and ask to be considered for any vacancies which may come up.

Important tip: Make sure you are well-presented when you drop in your resume and letter. A neat and tidy school uniform is fine, if you are dropping off after school.

Friend of a Friend of a Friend

Often, we find out about jobs through people we know, friends or acquaintances of relatives, neighbours, parents' work colleagues. Quietly let people know you are seeking work and be open to opportunities.

Do your Homework

Regardless of whether you are applying online, cold calling or making an enquiry about a job advertised in a shop window, always take time to find out about the firm first. The firm's website (and, perhaps a visit to the firm) can tell you:

- The product or service provided by the firm and what makes it different to products at other places
- The name of the owner or manager to address your letter to
- The mission of the firm, its objectives
- Anything else that stands out, for example, environmental policies, training programs for staff
- · Your letter of application should reflect that you have done this research.



Develop a Targeted Resume and Letter

When you are applying for a position online, you will usually be asked to upload a resume, and perhaps a cover letter.

You can use the Custom Resume Generator in the Secure Student Area of our school Careers' website, cthscareers.com, to develop resumes which give a clear statement of your personal information, school highlights, interests, skills and experience, qualifications, work experience and volunteering etc.

It is important you develop different resumes for the different jobs you apply for. A winning resume is one that is targeted to the position you are applying for, and to the firm you are applying to. For example, if you are applying for a position in a sports store, you might stress your capacity to work well with others, to do team sports, and to have interests which include physical activity.

A cover letter is very important. Always upload/attach a well-written letter introducing yourself if you are applying for a job online or dropping a resume in to a potential employer.

Important Tip: Absolutely no errors of spelling, grammar or punctuation in the resume or letter!

Your Name is your Brand!

Potential employers will look you up online. Be aware of the image you are projecting of yourself in your online social media. Inappropriate images, comments where you put down others you know (or even worse, work colleagues or bosses!) can affect your job chances.

Mrs Bower and Mrs Ferguson





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.

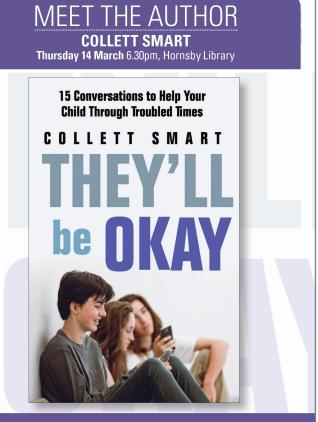
On Thursdays (sport days) all students in Years 9-11 MUST have their early leave notes signed by a member of the PE staff before presenting to the office.





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.















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Term 1, 2019 Class Schedule

	Class	Starting Date	Last Date	Day	Time	Venue	Address
Jasper Rd Public School	Basic	Feb 4, 2019	Apr 8, 2019	Monday	3:15 pm - 4:15 pm	Heritage Classroom	Jasper Rd, Baulkham Hills NSW 2153
	Beginner			Monday	4:15 pm - 5:15 pm		
Cherrybrook Community Centre	Beginner	Feb 5, 2019	Apr 9, 2019	Tuesday	5:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Meeting Room 1	31 Shepherds Ln, Cherrybrook NSW 2126
	Basic			Tuesday	6:30 pm - 7:30 pm		
	Intermediate			Tuesday	7:30 pm - 8:30 pm		
John Purchase Public School	Beginner	Feb 5, 2019	Apr 9, 2019	Tuesday	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	5S Class Room	Purchase Rd, Cherrybrook NSW 2126
	Basic	Feb 6, 2019	Apr 10, 2019	Wednesday	3:00 pm - 4:00 pm		
	Intermediate			Wednesday	4:00 pm - 5:00 pm		
Wrights Rd Community Centre	Beginner	Feb 7, 2019	Apr 11, 2019	Thursday	3:40 pm - 4:40 pm	Youth Room	Corner Harrington Avenue and Wrights Road, Kellyville 2155
	Basic			Thursday	4:40 pm - 5:40 pm		
Kellyville Public School	Basic	Feb 8, 2019	Apr 12, 2019	Friday	3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	School Hall	35A Windsor Road Kellyville NSW 2155
	Beginner				4:30 pm - 5:30 pm		
Blacktown Girls High School	Basic	Feb 2, 2019	Apr 6, 2019	Saturday	10:00 am - 11:00 am	Block D, Level 2	Fifth Avenue, Blacktown. 2148
	Basic			Saturday	11:30 am - 12:30 pm		
	Intermediate			Saturday	12:30 pm -13:30 pm		
	Beginner			Saturday	13:30 pm - 14:30 pm		

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CALENDAR - Term 1 Week 4A Uniform Blitz Week Monday 18 February Drama Incursion HSC Assessment Task - Mathematics Standard 1 Wednesday HSC Assessment Task - Mathematics Standard 20 February HSC Assessment Task - Mathematics Advanced Thursday HSC Assessment Task - English Extension 2 21 February **HSC Assessment Task - Textiles** Friday 22 February **HSC IPT Assessment Task** Saturday 23 & Sunday 24 CTA - Clash of the Titans February