

Cherrybrook Technology High School

Term 3

Week 4B

16 August 2019

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Mid-Term Quiet

The past week has been remarkably quiet for a school which normally operates at an absolutely frenetic pace. Year 12 have been studiously completing their AP4 examinations, Stage 5 History students have been enjoying a mock medieval experience in Ballarat at the Kryal Castle Camp and all our students have experienced sport trials now that the competitive winter season has come to an end. All these activities have been progressing smoothly and for all intents and purposes it is, "business as usual".

Year 12 Major Works and Practical Marking

This week and last week saw many very nervous Year 12 students in a flurry of activity busily putting the final touches to major works in English, Textiles, Design and Technology, Multi-Media, Industrial Technology and Society and Culture.

The quality of the student work, for the most part, was outstanding, being creative, innovative and in most cases very professional.

Students also began practical examinations in Dance and LOTE and the realisation, this year's HSC was well and truly underway has certainly dawned on our students.

Uniform

It has been very pleasing to see the vast majority of students correctly attired in full school uniform over the past few weeks. Despite the cold weather it is vital students wear their full uniform. In particular, students should have the correct footwear and pullover.

Parents and students are reminded, hooded jackets are **NOT** part of the uniform and students who choose to wear these will be disciplined in accordance with the school's Fair Discipline Code.

School Executive Major Planning Conference

This coming weekend the school Executive team will be involved in our annual Planning Conference. As well as evaluating our progress in 2019 and preparing for 2020 the team will also be involved in some in-depth professional learning with a team from CESE (Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation) leading a three-hour session on 'Using Data with Confidence'. Members of the Executive team will also lead various sessions on a variety of matters including, the departments new finance package and sharing elements of best practice.

A full report on the conference will be given at a forthcoming P&C meeting.

Presentation at NSW University 'Gonski' Institute

On Tuesday, staff from Cherrybrook presented to a large group of Chinese educators who are undergoing instruction at the Gonski Institute for a two-week period. The educators, drawn from some of the most prestigious schools in China, were particularly keen to learn about the NSW curriculum and how this was implemented in our school. Mrs Arkins and Ms Wu did an outstanding job translating and presenting our school, looking closely not only at the traditional curriculum offerings, but also our extra-curricular activities. The organisers of the event were very complimentary of our staff, the presentation and the fact the Chinese delegates became actively involved, asking questions, seeking clarification and finally asking if we were in a position to accept international enrolments from their schools. Sadly, we had to respond that the school was already beyond capacity and international enrolments could not be accepted. My thanks to Mrs Arkins and Ms Wu for making the day so successful.

Photographed below is Mr Johnson, Ms Wu, Mrs Arkins, as well as Lila Mularczyk from the Gonski Institute.

Mr Johnson



Achieving Together

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Northern Sydney Public Health Unit School Vaccination Program Ph: 1300 066 055

Cherrybrook Technology High School Vaccination Clinic Visits Schedule

30/08/2019

Year 10 Meningococcal ACWY Year 10 students must return the Vaccination Information pack by Monday 26 August.

29/11/2019

Year 7 Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (dose 2)

Parents/carers who wish to withdraw their consent for any reason may do so by emailing the Head Teacher Student Programs, Mrs Juliet Navarro, on <u>cths@cths.nsw.edu.au</u>. The *Procedure for Withdrawal of Consent* is available on the NSW Health website at <u>www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation</u>.

Year 8 students receiving catch-up vaccinations will be notified by mail.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!

Student Attendance in Government Schools

Dear Parents / Guardians

When your child is away from school it is important parents comply with the guidelines set out in the Student Attendance Policy, the *Student Attendance in Government Schools Procedures*, as well as established School Procedures.

Please note the following requirements:

1. ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

Parents are required to provide an explanation of absence to the school **within seven days** from the first day of any period of absence.

This explanation can take place in the form of an email, text message or written note.

2. TRAVEL DURING THE SCHOOL TERM

Parents will be required to complete an *Application for Extended Leave - Travel* form and submit it to the Principal for his / her consideration. If the Principal accepts the reason for travel, the absence will be marked as 'Leave' and a *Certificate of Extended Leave - Travel* will be issued.

Before applying for Extended Leave - Travel, it is the responsibility of students to discuss any scheduled assessment tasks with the Head Teacher of each of their subjects and check the school calendar for timetabled activities. Senior students must also complete and attach an Assessment Amendment Request Form

This Application for Extended Leave - Travel form must be submitted to the student window, two weeks prior to the date of departure.

If travel leave is taken without prior knowledge of the Principal, the leave will be marked as **UNEXPLAINED - UNJUSTIFIED**.

The Application for Extended Leave Travel form and the Senior Student - Assessment Amendment Request Form can be downloaded from the Parent Portal, located under 'School Documents'.

Please note: School Policy requires you to provide the completed *Application for Extended Leave* - *Travel* form, along with all necessary documentation, for **more than three days** absence from school.

3. MISSED WORK, ASSESSMENT TASKS AND MANDATORY PROGRAMS

It is the **student's responsibility** to find out and catch up on missed work from their classroom teacher or the Faculty Head Teacher.

Students who seek permission for leave must take into consideration the timetabling of *formal* assessment tasks and **mandatory programs** such as Life Ready. A student missing a formal assessment task can be given a zero (0) result if they fail to complete the tasks at the scheduled time. Application for leave during this time *may not* be approved.

Students taking leave during periods of **formal assessment tasks** and **mandatory programs** may be recorded as **EXPLAINED - UNJUSTIFIED**.

If you would like further information, you can find the School Attendance in Government Schools -Procedures at:

https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/policies/student_admin/attendance/sch_polproc/att_proc.pdf

Mrs Navarro, HT Student Programs

Rite of Passage Students visited by SAS Corporal Mark Donaldson VC

Last Tuesday the Rite of Passage Initiative were very lucky to have SAS Corporal Mark Donaldson VC come to the school and work with the boys for several hours. After joining them for an intense PT session, Mark then spoke to the boys at length about not only how he came to be awarded the Victoria Cross, but also on the impact that a person's choices can have on their future.

Mark spoke candidly about how he lost his father at fifteen to a heart attack and then his mother to murder when he was ninet een. He then talked about how he chose not to accept the role of being a victim due to this. Instead, he spoke to the boys about how it fuelled his choices to propel him forwards. He detailed, it does not matter about your background, the only thing which matters is the fact you make your choices yourself. Your story does not choose your behaviours. You do!

He left us with two important messages:

The first being, "Every man's life ends the same way. It is only the details of how he lived and how he died that distinguish one man from another."

The second was, "Being a good man and being good at being a man are very different things."

Words our young men listened to intently.

Mr Pedley-Smith









Correct Procedure When Approaching a Pedestrian Crossing

As you approach a pedestrian crossing or children's crossing where a School Crossing Supervisor is displaying a 'STOP Children Crossing' sign, you must slow down and stop. You may proceed when the School Crossing Supervisor no longer displays the sign in your direction or has indicated it is safe for you to proceed.



Stop signs may be placed at an intersection immediately after a pedestrian crossing. You must stop at the stop sign even if you have already stopped at the pedestrian crossing.

Please Note: If the road beyond a children's crossing or pedestrian crossing is blocked, you MUST NOT drive onto the crossing.

For more information, visit the RMS website <u>http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety-rules/road-rules/pedestrians.html#Children'scrossings</u>

Mrs Navarro, Head Teacher Student Support

HSC DRAMA PERFORMANCE NIGHT 2019

TUESDAY 20 AUGUST 2019



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ATTENTION YEAR 11, YEAR 12 STUDENTS AND PARENTS SYDNEY'S NORTH WEST

> NED SCHO PRESENTS

Cherrybrook Technology High School Multipurpose Centre

5pm - 8pm

PROGRAM

Main Hall, 5.00pm - 7.30pm

Tertiary Market – an opportunity to talk with Universities, TAFE, Defence Force Recruiting & Private Colleges regarding further study & career options.

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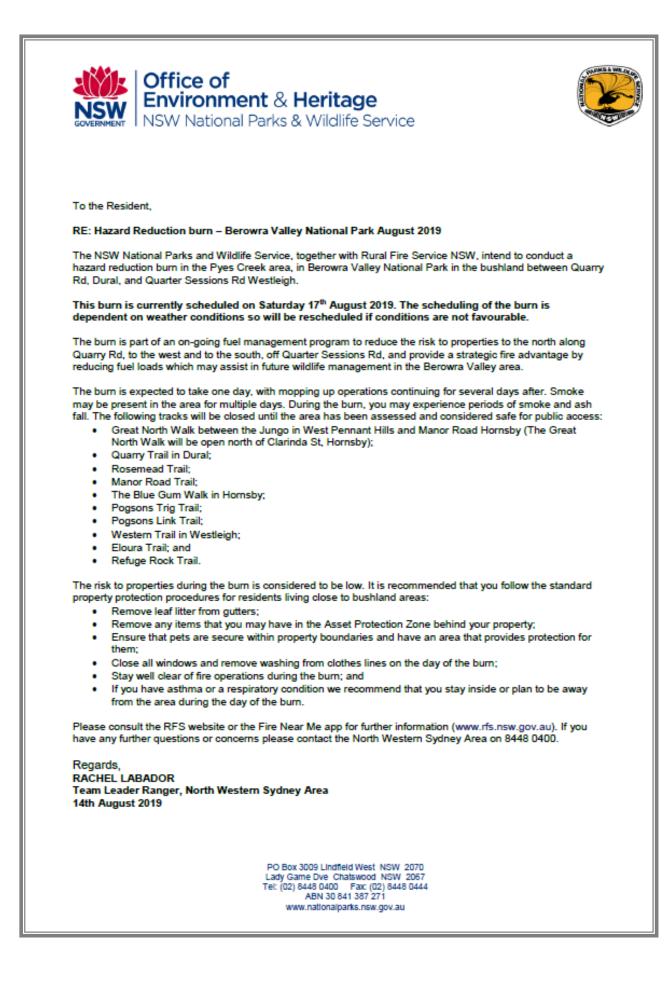
Presentations

	Lower Lecture Theatre	Upper Lecture Theatre
5:30pm - 6:00pm	UAC	Western Sydney
6:00pm - 6:30pm	MQU	ACU
6:30pm - 7:00pm	UTS	NESA
7:00pm - 7:30pm	UNSW	TAFE
7:30pm - 8:00pm	USYD	UAC









Play cricket for Pennant Hills Pumas

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For All students aged 11 to 18

Junior cricket aged 11 to 16 - Astro Turf Senior cricket - Turf

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CALENDAR - Term 4 Week 5A		
Monday 19 August	 AP4 Examination Period - all week HSC Textiles and Design Major Projects hand-in 	
	 Prelim Assessment Task - Legal Studies 	
Tuesday 20 August	 SRC Planning Day - J1.7 Year 9 Mathematics (5.1,5.2&5.3) Assessment Task (CAT2) HSC Drama Performance Night - 7pm, C1.1 	
Thursday 22 August	• Rock and Water Session	
23 August	 HSC English Extension 2 Major Works hand-in HSC Dance Performance Exams end 	