

Term 3 Week 4B 14 August 2020

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



COVID-19 Update and Cherrybrook Technology High School

I am certain all members of our school community have been anxiously watching the development of the COVID-19 cluster which has emanated from Tangara High School. At CTHS, the senior School Executive have been keeping a very close eye on developments and have acted on any reliable information we have been given to ensure the wellbeing of all our students and staff.

At this point I would like to say how grateful we are to members of our school community who have taken great precautions, beyond what is prescribed, if they or a family member believes they may have interacted with an infected individual. Your support and actions have been greatly appreciated.

Staff have been reminded of the need to follow Department of Health and Department of Education guidelines and offered the opportunity to wear school provided masks if they so choose.

Additional cleaning staff regularly wipe down and clean high touch areas of the school. Many students have chosen to wear masks, as well as carry their own hand sanitiser and staff are encouraging students to do so. Beyond these measures the school will be guided by the latest Department information and directives. Hopefully, this will continue to insulate us from this dreadful virus.

A reminder, if parents keep their children at home without a medical reason, students, in line with Department of Education Policy, will be marked as taking unjustified leave.

Parental Concerns

As Principal of Cherrybrook Technology High School for the past eighteen years, one of the consistent factors has been the thoughtful and circumspect manner parents interact with the school. For the most part parents have been unfailingly polite and only express concerns or complain to the school when they have genuine matters of a serious nature.

Unfortunately, recently the school has been receiving complaints from parents about a range of matters which I would describe as trivial and asking the school to intervene in matters which have occurred, metaphorically, well beyond the school gate or which a student should be able to sort out by themselves.

Part of a child growing up, physically and emotionally, requires them to gradually increase their independence and to take responsibility for their learning and how they interact with others on a daily basis. Too often staff have been asked to solve simplistic matters for students and parents which could have been handled with a little parent support and some student resilience.

Whilst I am conscious of the fact the current pandemic may have us all on edge, I would really appreciate parents taking time to think through their concerns and determining whether they are reasonable before emailing or telephoning the school and expecting an immediate response.

HSC Underway at Cherrybrook

The first of the 2020 HSC external examinations took place on Monday when our Dance class was examined. The examination was most unusual in the sense that all COVID-19 protection measures were carefully followed with the examiners and students being very mindful of social distancing requirements and wearing appropriate protective attire. While nervous, the students were well prepared and very focussed. Hopefully, their final results will reflect the very hard work they and their teacher, Ms Holt, have put in over the past two years.

AP4 Examinations Continue

Our trial HSC examinations moved in to the second week of tests this week. Pleasingly, students have continued to apply themselves diligently and cooperatively and demonstrated they are well prepared. Given the many distractions and uncertainty created by COVID-19 it is a great credit to the students. Hopefully, this positive attitude can be maintained as we edge closer to the written HSC papers which commence in October.

Achieving Together

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SRC Planning day

The Student Representative Council (SRC) held their annual planning day on Monday 10 August. Led by Mrs Johnson and her team, students engaged in a variety of activities which culminated in planning for the year ahead. Hopefully, the activities which are planned will be able to proceed in a meaningful manner and not be too restricted by restrictions from COVID-19.













School Excellence in Action

The Department of Education has been busy releasing support documents to assist schools in the implementation of the newly developed Department planning cycle titled, 'School Excellence in Action'.

The Department has advised that schools will develop a four-year Strategic Improvement Plan in consultation with their community. The plan has up to three strategic directions, with a minimum of two high impact improvement measures for each strategic direction linked to school-based targets. These form the basis of the planning cycle in accordance with the purpose and specific context of each school.

This plan is to extend for a four-year period. Interestingly, this new iteration of the planning cycle will coincide with the implementation by NESA of the new NSW curriculum.

As our school works toward the development of our new plan, I will keep you informed of progress and be seeking community views and input.

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.

Mr Johnson



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Acceptable Jumpers and Jackets

We like to maintain a high uniform standard at Cherrybrook Technology High School. With the onset of cooler weather, students have been informed of correct pullovers, jumpers and jackets which must be worn.

We ask parental cooperation in purchasing the correct uniform from Lowes Castle Hill or Lowes Online www.lowes.com.au/schools-online.

Acceptable Jumpers and Jackets

The following jumper and jacket are acceptable: Black fleece pullover with CTHS crest and black and red microfibre jacket with CTHS crest.





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Jumpers and Jackets which are NOT Acceptable

Under NO circumstances are hoodies or hooded zip jackets to be worn! Students who present in the wrong uniform will be issued with a uniform detention, unless they have a written explanation from their parent / caregiver.







Yours sincerely



Mrs A Gatt Deputy Principal



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Acceptable Footwear

Students have been given notice of footwear requirements and we ask parents' cooperation in purchasing the correct footwear.

The Department of Education's Work Health and Safety Directorate, clearly states in the publication *Footwear Guidelines (October 2012)* that to comply with Government Policy, enclosed leather footwear **MUST** be worn by students to ensure their safety. Areas where enclosed leather footwear is required include:

- Industrial Arts and trades workshops
- · Science laboratories
- Canteen
- Food Technology
- Agriculture

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If students present to class with inappropriate footwear, they will be offered alternative educational activities.

Acceptable Footwear

The school expects students to wear black leather shiny, business/conventional type, lace-up styled shoes. They must cover the top of the foot and have a low heel. Buckle styled shoes will be accepted as long as the shoes cover the top of the foot. The pictured shoe style has been endorsed by the school community.



Footwear which are Not Acceptable

Students **MUST NOT** wear black leather joggers, black sports shoes, black leather skate shoes, black desert boots, black soft leather flat 'ballet' style shoes, black leather open styled 'Mary Jane' shoes, black fabric shoes or any similar styles to those listed.



Acceptable PDHPE / Sport Footwear

The school expects students to wear lace up sports shoes.







Footwear which are Not Acceptable

Students MUST NOT wear canvas shoes.







Hopefully this letter has been informative and allow you to make the correct choices in purchasing footwear for the coming year. If you have any queries, please contact the school on the above numbers.

Yours sincerely



Mrs A Gatt Deputy Principal



Sick Bay is not a Medical Clinic



If your child is unwell or injured, our First Aid trained staff will administer first aid and care for your child, but our school Sick Bay is **not** a Medical Clinic. CTHS does not have nursing staff or doctors and with over 2,000 students attending, we do not have the facilities to monitor unwell students for long periods.

Your child's wellbeing is of the utmost importance to us, it is expected you make arrangements for your sick child to remain at home or be collected from the school Sick Bay as soon as practicable when contacted.



Cherrybrook Technology High School Uniform Standards

Junior Girls' 🤄	Summer	Senior Girls' Su	ımmer
Blouse	White short sleeved blouse with CTHS crest	Blouse	White pin tucked short sleeved blouse
Dress	Grey, white & red stripe dress	Skirt	Mid grey wool blend skirt
Shorts	Charcoal tailored shorts	Shorts	Black tailored shorts
-	-	Tie	Red tie
Socks	White ankle socks - No sockettes	Socks	White ankle socks - No sockettes
Jacket /	Black fleece pullover with CTHS crest &/or	Jacket /	Black fleece pullover with CTHS crest &/or
Jumper	Black & red microfibre jacket with CTHS crest	Jumper	Black & red microfibre jacket with CTHS crest
-	-	Blazer (optional)	Black wool blend blazer with CTHS crest
Junior Girls' \	Winter	Senior Girls' W	inter
Blouse	White short sleeved blouse with CTHS crest or White long sleeved plain shirt	Blouse	White pin tucked short sleeved blouse or White long sleeved plain shirt
Skirt	Red & grey plaid skirt	Skirt	Mid grey wool blend skirt
Pants	Charcoal tailored pants	Pants	Black tailored pants
•	-	Tie	Red tie
Tights	Black tights	Tights	Black tights
Socks	White ankle socks - No sockettes	Socks	White ankle socks - No sockettes
Jacket / Jumper	Black fleece pullover with CTHS crest &/or Black & red microfibre jacket with CTHS crest	Jacket / Jumper	Black fleece pullover with CTHS crest &/or Black & red microfibre jacket with CTHS crest
Scarf	Black scarf	Scarf	Black scarf
•	-	Blazer (optional)	Black wool blend blazer with CTHS crest
Junior Boys'	Summer	Senior Boys' S	ummer
Shirt	White short sleeved shirt with CTHS crest	Shirt	White short sleeved shirt with CTHS crest
Shorts	Grey business shorts - No baggy or cargos	Shorts	Black college shorts - No baggy or cargos
_	-	Tie	Red tie
Socks	Grey socks with CTHS stripes	Socks	Grey socks with CTHS stripes
Jacket / jumper	Black fleece pullover with CTHS crest &/or Black & red microfibre jacket with CTHS crest	Jacket / Jumper	Black fleece pullover with CTHS crest &/or Black & red microfibre jacket with CTHS crest
-	-	Blazer (optional)	Black wool blend blazer with CTHS crest
Junior Boys'			
Shirt	White short sleeved shirt with CTHS crest or White long sleeved plain business shirt	Shirt	White short sleeved shirt with CTHS crest or White long sleeved plain business shirt
Trousers	Grey business trousers - No baggy or cargos	Trousers	Black business trousers - No baggy or cargos
Tie	Grey tie with CTHS crest	Tie	Red tie
Socks	Grey socks with CTHS stripes	Socks	Black socks or grey socks with CTHS stripes
Jacket / Jumper	Black fleece pullover with CTHS crest &/or Black & red microfibre jacket with CTHS crest	Jacket / Jumper	Black fleece pullover with CTHS crest &/or Black & red microfibre jacket with CTHS crest
Scarf	Black scarf	Scarf	Black scarf
-	-	Blazer (optional)	Black wool blend blazer with CTHS crest
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Sports top	CTHS white polo top		
Sports shorts	Microfibre sports short with CTHS crest		
Track pants	Black track pants - No leggings permitted		
Socks	White ankle socks		
Shoes	Sports shoes - Shoes must be supportive		
Jacket / Jumper	Black fleece pullover with CTHS crest &/or Black & red microfibre jacket with CTHS crest - No hoodies permitted		
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Sports Report

Hey CTHS, it's your new Sports Captains, Zac and Maddi, for this week's Sports Report! We look forward to the year ahead and all of your sporting successes.

A huge thank you to the outgoing Sports Exec, especially last year's Sports Captains, Devan and Lara, for being more than welcoming. You guys are awesome!

Firstly, we'd like to introduce the new Sports Executive for 2020-2021:

Captains: Zachary Morris and Maddison Stalley

Vice Captains: Fahim Khandel, Renesh Krishnan, Riti Mucherla and Milena Visser

House Captains:

Charles: Alex Pellow and Abby Seamons

Taylor: Madison Fleming and Arnav Kapadia

Harrison: Sarah Aoutal and Michael Blundy

Strickland: Hashenie De Silva and Bradley Downing

Last week was our first round of the Winter Grade Sport Competitions. Congratulations to the following teams for their first wins this season:

Boys	Girls	Mixed
Basketball A/B	Hockey A	Badminton
Basketball 15s	Oztag A	Table Tennis
Volleyball A	Netball Jr A	
Frisbee B	Volleyball A/B	
Hockey A		
Soccer A/B		
Soccer 15's A/B		



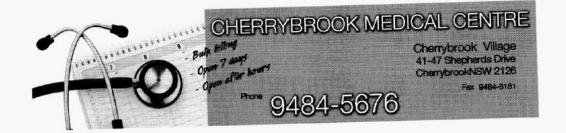
We would also like to congratulate our Cross Country Age Champions and Runners Up:

Age	Boys	Girls
12 Years	Jeevan Tumber	Xue Ling Ching
	Evan Kan	Sienna Abran
	Nikith Walawage	Yun Ni Wong
13 Years	Wasim Shojai	Sarah Koot
	Zach Hawkins	Aeva Suplina
	Lachlan Hu	Chevonne Kim
14 Years	Saad Mahmud	Kayla Osborn
	Aria Samimi	Catherine Cote
	Matthew Best	Audrey Lin
15 Years	Corey Dewar	Olivia Morris
	Lachlan Dewar	Katie McKeon
	Oscar Irwin	Melina Keshavarz
16 Years	Issac Cheng	Milena Visser
	Alessandro Ibarra	Olivia Roberts
	Michael Blundy	Courtney Stalley
17 Years	Zachary Morris	Madison Fleming
	Owen Śmith	Maddison Stalley
	Devan Senasinghe	Joanne Ling
	_	Gaelle Creusot
18 Years	Nicholas Sparks	Ella Morris
	Thomas Dickinson	
	Alex Robinson	



That brings us to the end of this week's Sports Report. Be sure to follow future *Networks* to keep up to date with the latest sporting events and initiatives.

Zac and Maddi, Sports Captains



ATTENTION: Principals for Schools in the Cherrybrook Community

Given the recent Covid-19 cases in the Cherrybrook Community please note we are no longer seeing patients who have Covid-19 symptoms for face to face consultations.

If any students from your schools have symptoms please call ahead and let us know. We will arrange a phone consultation for those patients and refer them to testing if required.

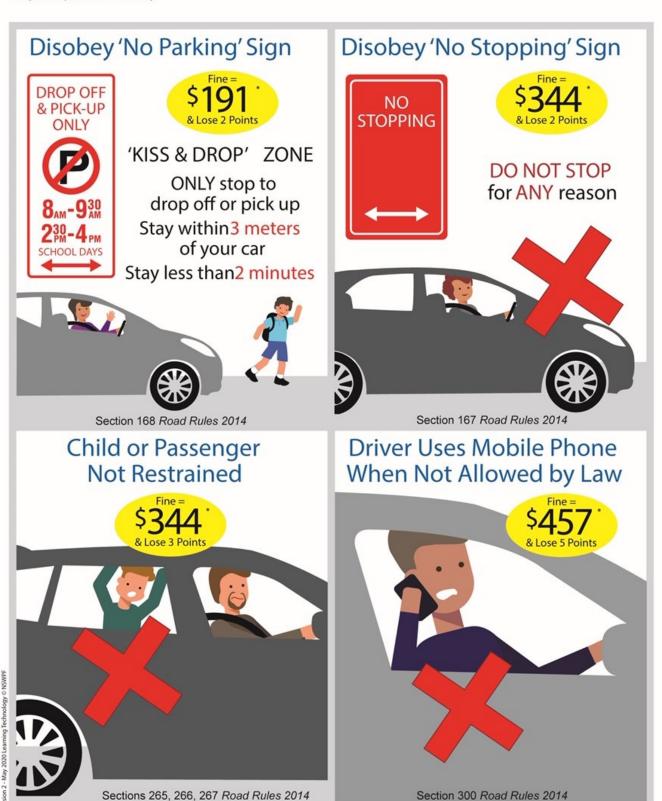
Yours Sincerely

Cherrybrook Medical Centre



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With your help, a safer community.



For more information see: Road Rules 2014 http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety-rules/road-rules/index.html *Fines are current as of May 2020. Fine amounts change regularly. For up-to-date fine amounts see: http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/safety-rules/demerits-offences/index.html



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CALENDAR - Term 3 Week 5A		
Monday 17 August	Prelim Assessment Task - Geography	
Tuesday 18 August	HSC Drama Performance Night - Livestreamed from 7pm	
Wednesday 19 August	Prelim Assessment Task - Chemistry Depth Study	
Thursday 20 August	Year 10 Mathematics CAT2	
Friday 21 August	Careers Mentoring Breakfast - 7.30am-9.30am (via Zoom)Year 12 AP4 Exams end	