

# NETWORK

CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Term 1

Week 6B

7 March 2014

## DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



### Open Night

On Tuesday night the whole school was buzzing with the excitement of Year 6 students and their parents who came to 'check out' what Cherrybrook has to offer. After an informative talk by Mr Johnson and Mrs Lane, the audience heard about the experience three of our Year 7 students have had thus far. Gabriella Monardo, Jessica Phillips and Daniel Monteiro spoke beautifully about peer support, the Year 7 camp and school in general. This was followed by a school tour which took them to interesting displays from each of the KLA's. From students baking, to problem solving, to science experiments, Cherrybrook certainly looked like a great place to learn. The active participation of the students made us all very proud to be a part of this school. This night would not be so successful without the superb organisation by Mrs Lane and the preparation and involvement of the staff who attended on the night and we thank them for their time and effort.

### E-diary

In this week's staff meeting teachers were introduced to the e-diary, a facility for Stage 5 and 6 students to electronically record their homework. This is not just a static diary for students but a facility for teachers to enter the homework they wish students to complete. Students will be introduced to the diary during next week's assembly and can begin using it immediately. Shortly after this, parents will also be able to log on and see what homework their child has. This will be an excellent tool to minimise the dreaded after school conversation, "What homework do you have?" and the inevitable reply, "I don't have any." Events such as the cross country will also be able to be scheduled so students can be reminded of these as they occur on the school calendar. I know some parents are really looking forward to this diary, so stay tuned to future Networks for instructions on how to access this tool.

### Cross Country

It was unfortunate this week's cross country was cancelled because of the inclement weather we have had. It will be rescheduled for next **Wednesday 12 March**. Students who have already paid do not have to bring a new permission note for this event.

### School Jackets

During last week's assembly, students enjoyed a fashion parade of the new school jackets and, earlier in the week, had the opportunity to try them on. We will run another sizing week in a fortnight's time but if you are keen for your child to purchase a jacket before the sizing week, they should see Mrs Bevan in her office. Instructions for buying the jacket online are listed below.

The jackets can be found under the 'Information' tab, then go to the 'Uniform' section. The school web link is as follows:  
<http://www.cherrybrok-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

### Lions Youth of the Year

Aparna Vishwanathan, Year 12, competed in the regional final of the Lions Youth of the Year this week. Mrs Hollis, who attended the evening, said Aparna performed very well and people commented on her enthusiastic style which was enjoyed by the audience. Congratulations to Aparna for making it to this round.

### International Women's Day

International Women's Day is a global event celebrated around the world. On Friday a small group of students visited Asquith Girls High School for their annual breakfast and enjoyed the celebrations with other schools. At Cherrybrook Technology High School we celebrated this event earlier in the year, first up in our series of themed assemblies. The main assembly was run by Dilani Gunawardena and Thanaya Naidu, Year 12, who did a wonderful job organising the agenda and activities. Students particularly enjoyed the dance by Karis Fox, Year 12, which was part of the entertainment. Rachel King chaired the Stage 4 assembly which made all students aware of the importance of this day. I have included the speech delivered by Yousef Hakimi, Year 11, as it was inspirational to hear a speech about International Women's Day from a male perspective.

*Cherrybrook Technology's International Women's Day Assembly is a time where majority of the guys in the audience switch off. You might say, "It's just an assembly about women" and that it only affects women, but this day is honestly just as important for men. How many of the males in the audience have women that they care about? Whether that be sisters, mothers, girlfriends, friends, colleagues, aunts or grandmothers. Every one of us has females in our lives that matter and it's for that reason why this day is so crucial.*



Aparna Vishwanathan



Year 6 into 7 open night

*International Women's Day is all about celebrating how far we have come and progressed and how much more needs to be done in regards to women. It's easy to dismiss this day as unimportant and feminism as outdated and irrelevant. But how can that be so when Australia, a western and a supposedly progressive nation has a gender pay gap of 17.5% and where we have less women on our political cabinet than there are on Afghanistan's political cabinet. When it's still socially acceptable to make jokes about 'women in the kitchen' and where females can be shamed for the way they act and dress to the point where many have attempted suicide or they've actually succeeded? Superficially, it may seem that feminism is no longer relevant: sure, women can go to war and become well-respected doctors and lawyers. These are definitely things women couldn't do a long time ago, but both International Women's Day and feminist ideology is not about simply improving up to a certain point but actually attaining equal rights for both men and women. And that's something we haven't yet achieved. So yes, this is a time to be proud of how far we have come but it's also a time for planning ahead.*

*I mentioned earlier to think of all the females in your life that you care about. Feminism is important because it provides for a world where your mother can work as an engineer or a rocket scientist and not get ridiculed because it's a male-orientated field of study.*

*Feminism is important because it aims for a world where your girlfriends and your sisters and your friends are treated with respect, dignity and are given the exact same opportunities as men. Why should your mother or your sister not be treated the same because of something like gender?*

*I know that identifying as a feminist seems a little weird for some people. Feminism has become such a taboo word in society. But in fact, most people who are opponents to the movement actually don't know what the word really means. Identifying as a feminist is simply recognising that in virtually all societies, women are not treated the same as men. It's about wanting to do something about that and it's about recognising the inherent privilege all the guys in the audience in front of me have simply by being a male.*

*I hate to break it to you, but you're a feminist if you believe that women should be given equal pay for equal work. You're a feminist if you believe that women should be allowed to own property and you're a feminist if you believe that women have the right to make decisions about their own bodies.*

*So this year, be mindful of all the double standards that women face and the extensive abuse many women must deal with at work or in the household. By simply being mindful of the things you say and do, you're making a positive contribution. No effort is too small.*

*Sexism is a social disease: feminism is the cure.*

Mrs Weal

### CREATIVELY SPRUICKING

There is only one experience better than seeing Marcus Lee and Serena Suen in the lead roles in last year's school musical and that is: seeing them on stage again in lead roles in this year's school musical. What colossal stage presence our dynamic duo will wield. With voices that are the envy of the angels, Marcus and Serena are set to be the talk of CTHS campus once again.

Serena's comments "The journey of my portrayal of Dorothy has been really great because I get to meet each of the other fun characters like the Tinman, the scarecrow and the lion so it's the story that makes this role so much fun. The challenge in playing Dorothy is that she is actually 12 and I'm 16 so this has been really tricky. The songs are upbeat and exciting so the show should appeal to everyone."

Marcus had some words to offer about his experience in the role of The Wiz; "My character is really arrogant and boastful and this has been challenging to play but you find out that he is really like this because he has a secret. I have found the role to be very demanding and I wouldn't have it any other way!"

Shaping up to be a smash hit, The Wiz will be one show you won't want to miss.

Ms Cannon



The Wiz rehearsals continue

**Cherrybrook Technology  
High School  
presents**

# The **WIZ**

Adapted from "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz" by L. Frank Baum

Book by William F. Brown  
Music and Lyrics  
by Charlie Smalls

**Primary School Matinee  
June 4th, 11am**

**Stage 4 Matinee  
June 5th**

**JUNE 2014  
3rd, 5th & 7th  
7PM**

**Adults: \$15, Child: \$10, Family: \$45  
Purchase tickets from the CTHS website soon...**

### “Bringing learning to life”

8L is currently studying the topic ‘Global Inequalities’ in geography. We were all given an assignment where we had to select a developing and developed country and compare the countries in terms of food, shelter, access to fresh water and health care. Our teacher Miss Kerr came up with a great idea for our class to have the opportunity to bring in a popular food dish from the developed or developing country we had chosen for our presentation. Each student had to present to the class telling them the name of the dish, which country the food is from and why it is significant to that particular country. The food that we all got to try included Lebanese Bread and dips from Lebanon, Chicken potpie from America, Chinese noodle soup from China, Chocolate croissants from France, Curry Puffs from India, Apple Cake from Norway, Biltong from South Africa and the list goes on! This was very interesting and fun learning experience and it was great to get to try the foods from the countries we had learnt about in the class presentations.

Kate Collett, Year 8



### CTHS VET Construction

2014 has seen the commencement of our first class of VET Construction. This course provides students with the opportunity to obtain national vocational qualifications for employment in the construction industry. Students will be able to gain skills in planning and organising work, measuring and calculating, reading and interpreting plans, safe and environmentally sustainable work practices and the use of construction tools and equipment. The twelve students are extremely enthusiastic about getting out and helping to do works around the school.

Mr Sloan



# Alcohol fuelled violence in our community

FREE  
EVENT

Essential new information for parents, professionals and local services covering:

- Alcohol issues in Australian society – what can we realistically do?
- Teenagers and alcohol

**Featuring Paul Dillon** – keynote speaker and bestselling author of *Teenagers Alcohol and Drugs*. Regarded as a key social commentator, Paul is a nationally recognised drug education specialist with 25 years experience in the field.

The night will be hosted by David Citer, Manager of the KYDS Youth Development Service.

Q&A panel featuring NSW Police, NSW Health and other industry professionals to provide insight and answer your questions.

**When:** Tuesday 25 March 6.45pm-9pm

**Where:** Hornsby RSL (main showroom)  
4 High Street Hornsby  
(Hornsby RSL supports local community initiatives)

**RSVP:** Please call Paul Stuart on 9477 8729  
or email [pstuart@nsmf.com.au](mailto:pstuart@nsmf.com.au)



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## CAREERS UPDATE

### Morrisby Profile.

The Morrisby Profile is a test battery developed specifically for careers guidance. It is composed of 12 tests, 8 measuring abilities and 4 measuring personal style. Together these provide an objective view of your talents as they relate to work. The tests include:

- General reasoning ability; or how you deal with new problems
- Verbal ability; or how you comprehend the meaning of everyday words
- Numerical ability; or how you deal with information presented numerically
- Perceptual ability; or how you understand diagrammatic information
- Spatial ability; or how good you are at visualising things in three dimensions
- Mechanical ability; or how you understand simple mechanical ideas.

Test type	Low	Fair	Average	High	Very High
Reasoning - solving difficult abstract problems	[Bar chart showing high score]				
Verbal ability - being good with words	[Bar chart showing high score]				
Numerical ability - being good with numbers	[Bar chart showing high score]				
Perceptual ability - being good with diagrams & pictures	[Bar chart showing high score]				
Spatial ability - being good with plans & 3D shapes	[Bar chart showing high score]				
Mechanical ability - knowing how things work & fit together	[Bar chart showing high score]				
% of people in each category	10%	20%	40%	20%	10%

The Morrisby Profile uses the concept of differential ability. This holds that the pattern of an individual's ability is an important ingredient in identifying careers which suit the individual.

Differential ability focuses on relative strengths and what kind of ability rather than how much ability an individual has.

Those planning to get a Morrisby Report on themselves should visit the Morrisby website and complete the [practice questions](#) for the Morrisby Profile.

### Morrisby Career Profiling

Cherrybrook Technology High School implements a comprehensive career assessment program called The Morrisby Report. The Report focuses on Career Interests, Abilities and some aspects of Personality.

The intention is to provide an objective assessment of your son/daughter's strengths (to be viewed alongside their attainment at school). The results should prove helpful in understanding the direction of your son/daughter's talents and in making subject, course and eventually, career decisions.

More information can be found at <http://www.careeranalysts.com.au/>

**Morrisby Profiling** will occur on Friday 21 March. A private provider would charge up to \$250 for this testing. At school, the charge is \$90, and this should be paid to the Student Window before Wednesday, 19 March 2014. A 20 page personal report describing the student's results will be compiled and given to students at the Student and Parent Information Evening on Tuesday 8 April.

### Morrisby Permission notes can be downloaded [HERE](#)

#### Defence Force Careers - Parramatta Info Sessions are:

Women in the Defence: Wednesday 12 March  
Combat: Tuesday 18 March  
Royal Military College: Wednesday 19 March  
Generic ADF: Thursday 27 March

The Information Sessions will be held at Defence Force Recruiting Parramatta - Level 4, 9 George Street, Parramatta at 6.30pm. RSVP to [cptnsw@df.com.au](mailto:cptnsw@df.com.au)

Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Bower

### 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.

Dear Parents/Guardians,

21/2/2014



## Morrisby Career Assessment Program for CTHS Students

In order to support students in their important career decisions, Cherrybrook Technology High School has chosen to implement a comprehensive career assessment program called The Morrisby Report. The Report focuses on Career Interests, Abilities and some aspects of Personality.

The intention is to provide an objective assessment of your son/daughter's strengths (to be viewed alongside their attainment at school). The results should prove helpful in understanding the direction of your son/daughter's talents and in making subject, course and eventually, career decisions. The Morrisby Report is well established, well researched and is used by many schools in NSW, Victoria and the UK. We are pleased to be able to offer it to our students.

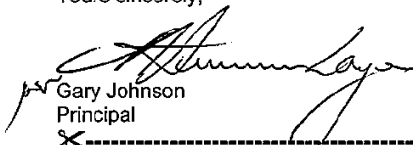
The program involves three stages:

1. **A career interest questionnaire** which asks students about their work preferences, the subjects they are studying plus their attitudes to further study. This will be completed prior to the testing day and students will be given a copy when they pay at the Student Window.
2. **A test during school time** (approximately 3.5 hours with a ten minute break) which involves a series of 12 paper and pencil tests designed to build up a picture of individual strengths and abilities. The tests are not like an examination and do not require any special preparation. This will take place on **Friday 21 March 2014** in the MPC.
3. Following the testing program, a **20 page personal report** describing the student's results will be compiled and given to students at the **Student & Parent Information Evening**. This evening provides the opportunity to hear more about the Morrisby Report and reflect upon any implications for your son/daughter's decision making. This will take place on **Tuesday 8 April** from 6.45pm – 7.45pm. A personal website login is provided to enable students to further research the 12 career suggestions made in their report. Students should visit the Career Analysts website ([www.careeranalysts.com.au](http://www.careeranalysts.com.au)) before the test to familiarise themselves with the style of the tests.

This program is being offered to students at a highly competitive cost of \$90.00. Your son/daughter's Morrisby Report will be a valuable resource in careers interviews and careers decision making over the HSC years. For further information and to view a sample report visit <http://www.careeranalysts.com.au/morrisby.html>

If you are happy for your son/daughter to participate in this Careers Assessment Program please complete the permission note below and pay \$90 to the student window by **Wednesday, 19 March 2014**. If you have any questions please contact Chris Ferguson, Careers Adviser, on 9484 2144.

Yours sincerely,

  
Gary Johnson  
Principal

  
Chris Ferguson  
Careers Adviser

### PERMISSION NOTE

Return this section with payment by the due date to the **STUDENT WINDOW** before school, at recess or lunch only.

DISSECTION NUMBER: 044-173 Amount: \$90

STUDENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Roll Class \_\_\_\_\_

I have read the information about the Morrisby Report and I consent to my son / daughter's participation in the Morrisby Career Assessment Program on **Friday 21 March 2014** which is approved by the Principal.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle method of payment: Cash (in sealed envelope) Cheque Visa Mastercard

CARD NO \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Expiry Date \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholders Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Cardholder \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

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## WEEKLY SPORTS REPORT



### Grade Sport Results: Round 3 opposition - Pennant Hills

Event	Result
<i>Boys</i>	
Opens Basketball A	Won
Opens Basketball B	Won
Basketball 9/10	Won
Frisbee A	Won
Frisbee B	Lost
Volleyball A	Lost
Volleyball B	Won
Sofcrosse A	Won
Handball A	Lost
Handball 9/10	Lost
Touch A	Won
Touch B	Won
Hockey 7's A	Lost
Hockey &'s B	Won
Soccer 7's A	Lost
Soccer &'s B	Lost
<i>Girls</i>	
Open Basketball A	Lost
Frisbee A	Lost
Frisbee B	Lost
Volleyball A	Won
Volleyball B	Won
Sofcrosse A	Won
Handball A	Won
Handball 9/10	Lost
Touch A	Lost
Touch B	Lost
Softball A	Lost

#### Knock-Out Sport Results:

- Round 1 open boys' water polo North Sydney Knockout Competition  
CTHS 4-5 Galston High School
- Round 1 open girls' water polo North Sydney Knockout Competition  
CTHS 3-5 Galston High School

**A reminder the cross country carnival has been postponed until Wednesday 12 March 2014 due to wet grounds.**

#### Upcoming Events:

- Wednesday 12 March: School Cross Country Carnival
- Tuesday 18 March: Sydney North Swimming Carnival
- Wednesday 19 March: School Athletics Carnival
- Sunday 6 - Tuesday 8 April: CHS Swimming
- Monday 7- Tuesday 8 April: CHS Diving

2014 Sydney North Trials, if you are interested please see the PE staff in the PE staffroom for further information.

- Friday 14 March: Girls' soccer trials
- Thursday 20 March: U15 touch football trials
- Tuesday 25 March: Boys' soccer trials
- Wednesday 26 March: Girls' hockey trials
- Tuesday 1 April: Rugby league trials
- Tuesday 1 April: Boys' hockey trials
- Wednesday 2 April: Girls' Knockout Netball
- Thursday 3 April: U15 AFL trials
- Friday 4 April: Open touch trials

Julianne Chu and Lloyd Caletti, Sports Promotion officers

## CTHS Cross Country Carnival Now being held on Wednesday 12 March 2014



### New Date

The school cross country carnival has been postponed until Week 7, Wednesday 12 March 2014. It will still be held at Fagan Park, Galston.

### Permission notes

Permission notes should already have been handed into the student window, therefore, so as **not to inconvenience parents**, we are assuming the **first permission note**, signed for last week's event, is **valid** for the back-up day carnival.

If any parents have a query or issue with not signing a new permission note, please call the PE department to discuss this, before Wednesday 12 March.

Organisation is as follows:

Years	Periods
7 & 8	3 & 4
9 & 10	1 & 2
11 & 12	5 & 6

A reminder full PE uniform can be worn all day and students are to bring equipment for a normal school day for the periods they are not competing. **We advise students to bring a spare pair of shoes and socks** if it rains early next week (just in case the course is wet). The cross country is a compulsory part of the sport curriculum and all students present are expected to participate in the carnival. Full participation should lead to CTHS obtaining the strongest team to compete at zone level later this term.

Mr Monahan and Mr Fitzgerald

### Water Polo Knock-Out Matches

On Thursday the boys' and girls' open water polo teams set off to Waves Aquatic Centre to play the first round of the knock-out competition. It was a great day out with two intense water polo matches. With only a few experienced players between both teams, our first game against Galston was a tough one. The girls played a great game and scored 3 goals only to be beaten by Galston who scored 5. The boys' game was very close with the winning goal scored by Galston right before the full time buzzer.

Although both teams were knocked out we really enjoyed our first game of water polo together.

Rebecca Yabsley and Emily Cranfield





## ARE YOU A SINGLE PARENT?

Every week **Single with Children** provides fun and exciting activities especially for single parents and their children (many activities are subsidised or even free)



It's a great way to meet and get to know people in your area  
To find out more and get a FREE copy of our social calendar, contact us today.

### Call 1300 300 496

Or visit our website:  
[www.singlewithchildren.com.au](http://www.singlewithchildren.com.au)



## SINGLE PARENTS FAMILY BBQ

Are you looking for activities to do with your children?  
Do you want to make friends with other single parents who share similar experiences to you?

**Then come along to the Single with Children family BBQ**

Join us for a day of fun at Lake Parramatta Park and sausage sizzle. This is a beautiful location with walking trails alongside the lake, children's play equipment and enough open spaces to throw a ball. There is even a cafe on site for the adults who really need a coffee to get through the day

- **WHERE:** Lake Parramatta Lackey St North Parramatta
- **WHEN:** Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March
- **TIME:** From 10:30 am, sausage sizzle starts at 11:30pm
- **WHAT TO BRING:** Bring picnic rugs and /or folding chairs. BYO snacks/ sides etc
- **COST:** NB: Non-members \$2.50 for a sausage sandwich and drink, (free for members - 1 per person/child)
- **WHO'S INVITED:** All single parents and their children. Non members welcome and if you join on the day - receive **\$5.00 off** membership.
- **RSVP:** By Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of March Leanne Bennett 0410645490 Assistant children's functions co-ordinator

For information call 1300 300 496 or go to [www.singlewithchildren.com.au](http://www.singlewithchildren.com.au)

Single with Children is a non-profit social organisation operated by the Single Parent Family Association. We provide social activities every week for both custodial and access single parents as well as their children.

### PROCEDURE 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 refer to your diaries for further details. ***Please be advised the school does not supply any medication, including pain killers, medicated creams, eye drops etc.***

### DIARY – Term 1 Week 7A

Monday 10 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yr 7 Bullybusters</li> <li>• Yr 11 Business Studies Assess task</li> </ul>
Tuesday 11 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yr 12 Modern History Excursion</li> <li>• Yr 11 Food Technology Practical Assess Task</li> </ul>
Wednesday 12 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CTHS Cross Country Carnival - Fagan Park</li> <li>• Yr 11 Geography Excursion</li> </ul>
Thursday 13 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yr 11 Maths &amp; General Maths Assess Task</li> <li>• Selective High School Placement Test - MPC</li> </ul>
Friday 14 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yr 11 Society &amp; Culture Research Task Due</li> <li>• Yr 7 Gala Day</li> <li>• Yr 7 Interim Reports Emailed</li> <li>• Yrs 9 &amp; 10 Drama Excursion</li> <li>• Yr 11 Standard English Assess Speech</li> </ul>