

NETWORK

CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Term 2

Week 2A

6 May 2016

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Stage 5 Parent / Teacher Interviews

It was wonderful to see so many parents take the time to visit the school on Tuesday evening to discuss their child's progress with teachers. Perhaps it is our online booking system, but the majority of students had at least one parent attend the evening. Congratulations to all involved.

NAPLAN

A reminder for parents with students in Years 7 and 9 the annual NAPLAN tests will take place next week. The tests will commence on Tuesday 10 May and conclude with the 'catch-up' day on Friday 13 May. Students should simply do their best in the tests and not spend time becoming stressed over preparing for them or the degree of difficulty of the papers.

As I have said many times, these tests are diagnostic and designed to help the school determine areas where we may need to concentrate in order to help improve student outcomes. Remember, the tests are only one measure taken on one day and do not in any way reflect the total ability level of an individual candidate.

P&C Meeting

This week's meeting had The Hon. Damien Tudehope, Member for Epping, as our guest speaker. Mr Tudehope discussed a variety of matters in relation to education including school funding, the NSW Government's position in relation to Gonski and the school's many successes.

Annual Report Available

A reminder the school's Annual Report is now available for download from our school website, <http://cths.nsw.edu.au>. The report details the many successes of the school and provides information in relation to our performance in all external examinations including the Higher School Certificate and NAPLAN. The report also includes some excellent photographs and a detailed analysis of the progress of the school plan.

Please take the time to look through this valuable document.

Grade Sport Finals

Thursday saw twelve school teams competing in summer grade sport finals. Results will be published in next week's *Network*. Students conducted themselves in an exemplary manner during the finals, competing spiritedly, but being respectful of their opposition and at all times displaying good sportsmanship. My congratulations are extended to all participants.

Kokoda Preparation

Staff and students have been busy preparing for the school's forthcoming Kokoda track expedition, which is to take place in the July holidays. All members of the group have been in intensive training with students and staff engaging in a number of wilderness walks during the school holidays. Participants have already satisfied their water safety requirements and have been busy breaking in new hiking boots and organising the required vaccinations.

The trip will be a marvelous experience helping each individual to understand the extraordinary demands made on our servicemen during the Second World War. I know the entire community joins me in wishing all participants well as they prepare to undertake their challenge.

Students and teachers prepare for Kokoda



Transit Police Talk

All Year 8 and 9 students sat in on a presentation given by two Police Transport Command Officers where they discussed the inherent dangers associated with skylarking on public transport, the law with regards to this and consequences if you are found guilty of such offences. Issues such as graffiti, URBEX or the practice of trespassing on public property, and the risk associated with roaming the train tunnels, was discussed. Pleasingly, our students were attentive and engaged throughout the presentations.

Mr Johnson



Anaphylaxis

The Department of Education requires all students with anaphylaxis to carry their Epipen auto-injector and 2015 ASCIA Anaphylaxis Personal Plan with them at **ALL** times at school. The plan should be wrapped around the Epipen box and secured with a rubber band. Prior to any excursion or offsite sporting event, the organising teacher will check all students who are anaphylactic are carrying their auto-injector and plan. Any student who is **NOT** carrying their auto-injector and plan **MUST** remain onsite.

Mr Hind, Head Teacher Welfare

ABSTUDY HSC Major Projects

On the final day of Term 1 our HSC 2016 Aboriginal Studies class achieved a significant milestone in this course with the submission of their HSC Major Projects. These projects are the culmination of two terms of extensive research and community consultation on a topic in the format of the students' individual choices. During the first two terms of the HSC calendar, students work on their projects and must demonstrate their command of ethical research practice, as well as problem solve and learn about and communicate Aboriginal peoples' perspectives on their chosen area of research. They do all this while juggling the other competing demands of a busy school calendar.

Apart from the curriculum content these students address in their projects, they also learn and demonstrate perseverance, courage and commitment. Every year our class rises to this challenge in a way which exceeds all expectations. This year's offerings cover areas such as *Revival and Maintenance of Aboriginal Languages*, *Racism*, *Aboriginal Education*, *Music*, and *Art Centres*. They have been delivered in a beautiful array of formats such as artworks (including a mosaic), short stories, documentaries, a children's book, a glossy magazine and academic treatises.

Mrs Cross



Mosaic by Sarah Crompton



Book by Laura Heinrichson

School Appeal for Help

A member of our school community, Mrs Tracey Trumper, has been diagnosed with a rare cancer called Ros 1. A trial drug is available for treating this disease. However, this drug is not Government funded and costs \$7,000 per month. Mrs Trumper has been a great supporter of this school, often volunteering to take children to sporting events. As a school we would like to support her and her three children who attend CTHS. If you feel you would like to donate, a website has been set-up by her friends. Following is the link to this site
<http://www.sickortreat.org.au/campaign/2028/helping-tracey>

Mrs Bevan



Epping YMCA

SAVE THE DATE for the YMCA Epping Family Fun Day to Help Tracey on Sunday 29th May. To make this day success we need your help. Please let us know if you can bake a cake, donate books or volunteer your time on the day! 9869 8966
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Helping Tracey: Family Fun Day

Join Us on SUNDAY 29th of MAY!

The day will involve activities for the whole family! This includes a cake stall, coffee cart, netball clinic for juniors, round robin netball competition for seniors, jumping castle, face painting, second hand book sale, live music and so much more!

Time: 12:00 til 3:00 **Location:** YMCA Epping

Who's invited? Anyone and everyone in the community

How can you help? We're on the look out for donations, sponsors and volunteers of all shapes and sizes! Ask at front desk for more information.

ANZAC Day Activities

In the first lesson back for Term 2, students in 9HHA3 worked on various activities surrounding the commemoration of ANZAC Day. Our lesson was timely, having just had a public holiday to commemorate the day ANZAC soldiers landed at Gallipoli 101 years ago. The class read through a story and some sources which described the characteristics of Pte J. Simpson who was known for using a donkey to carry wounded soldiers down the cliffs of Gallipoli to obtain proper medical treatment for their injuries. After brainstorming what type of person we thought Simpson was, we drew conclusions about the relationship between these and the ideas associated with the ANZAC Legend.

By the end of the lesson, students were able to think about what ANZAC Day means to them and other Australians and wrote their thoughts in a wreath or army hat template. The class have been studying *Australians in World War I* and have been fascinated at the events and experiences faced by our soldiers all those years ago. Later this term, those students studying Year 9 history will be looking at World War II which they are very excited about as it gives them the opportunity to inquire about our past and consider how lucky we are to live in such a safe and free country.

Miss Hampe



Year 11 Geography Field of Mars Field Trip

At the end of Term 1, our Year 11 geography students travelled to the Field of Mars Reserve at North Ryde to look at the biophysical interactions which occur in the physical environment. The day was very hands-on with students undertaking a range of geographical measurements to look at the differences between two specific communities onsite. We also assessed the effectiveness of management strategies implemented to deal with a number of human impacts affecting the reserve given the close proximity of the surrounding urban area. After dip netting the local Strangers Creek we were able to determine the water quality to be quite poor given the only species we discovered were considered 'very tolerant' or 'tolerant' of polluted water. A great day was had by all and students followed this up with their first assessment task focussed on our studies there. We hope to find better water quality results when we travel to the Hawkesbury Nepean River for our next field trip case study.

Mr Clements



VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

A reminder to all visitors there are clear guidelines regarding visiting the school and seeing staff or your child during school hours:

- ◇ Appointments to see a member of staff must be made in advance, by phoning the school
- ◇ The first point of entry to the school is the Front Office which is located in A block
- ◇ To ensure the safety of all students, visitors are not permitted to enter beyond the Front Office without prior permission
- ◇ Official visitors are required to sign in at the Front Office.

UPDATE OF PERSONAL DETAILS

It is important that parents/guardians keep the school informed of any changes to their personal details. Current contact information is essential, not only in the event of an emergency, but so we may also keep all parents/guardians up to date with their child's progress and attendance, and communicate any concerns which may arise.

If there have been any changes to your personal details, please obtain a 'Change of Student Personal Information' form from the front office or student window, complete and return as soon as possible.

Boronia Tea House

On Tuesday of this week 45 Stage 5 food technology students travelled to Boronia Tea House in Mosman to partake in a high tea. The excursion was designed to enhance the *Food for Special Occasions* unit of work studied in class. For most students this was a new experience where they were able to sip an exotic blend of tea (flavours such as Madagascan Vanilla, Crème Brulee, Strawberries and Cream) in fine china tea cups while savouring the tastes of freshly baked scones, finger sandwiches, macarons, smoked salmon blinis and chocolate mousse, served on a traditional three tiered cake plate. The heritage listed house and gardens were the perfect setting to enjoy such an elegant occasion, somewhat contrasted to the food courts students often frequent. They thoroughly enjoyed the day and are to be commended for their exemplary behaviour as they represented CTHS.

Mrs Key, TAS Teacher



Cherrybrook Technology High School App

Go to the App Store or Google Play and search for "Cherrybrook Technology High School" to download this free app. This will provide you with school information, maps, dates of upcoming events and much more, even when you are on the go. By enabling push notifications you will receive important information instantly.

From the Library

The rearrangement of fiction into genres is well under way. You can easily locate your favourite genre by looking at the image on the spine label. Categories to browse: **Relationships**, **Crime/Mystery**, **Historical fiction**, **Speculative fiction (Fantasy, Sci-Fi)**, **Action/Adventure**, **Humour**, **Sport**, **True stories (NF)**, **Horror and Short Stories**. If you are participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge (which we hope you are) a sticker on the top of the spine makes your search easy.

Take the library home.... or anywhere!

Click on your Portal link or go to library.det.nsw.edu.au

Use your Portal username and password.

Or go to <http://cthslibrary.weebly.com/my-library.html>

Download the Library Link app to your smartphone:

- ◆ Search for available resources
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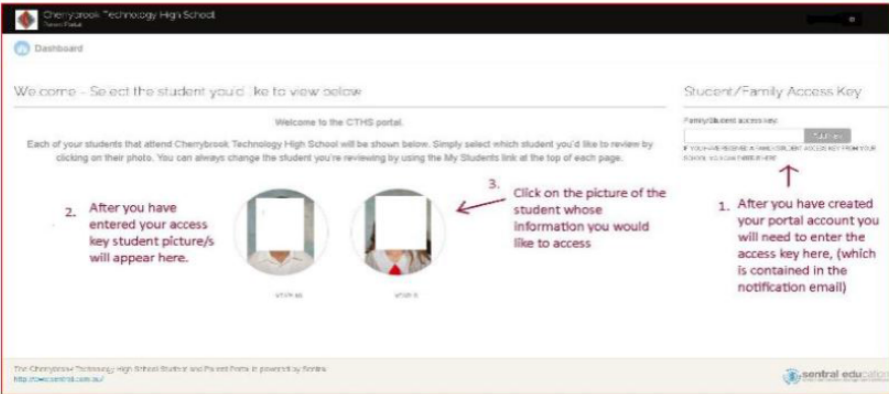
Reminder: all library resources borrowed last term are OVERDUE and the fine is growing. Simple solution, return items immediately! Others wish to use them!

Ms Halder

Cherrybrook Technology High School Parent Portal

Link
<http://oasis2.cherrybrok-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/portal/login>

Initial Setup
Invitations to join the Parent Portal were sent via email. The process for creating an account and linking it to a student/s is contained in the invitation email. If you did not receive an invitation please contact the school via email cths@cths.nsw.edu.au.



The Parent Portal contains the following information:

- Student timetables
- Student attendance information
- Student Wellbeing information
- Student homework
- Current and archived Academic Reports
- *Network* newsletter
- **All Parent/Teacher Interview bookings will now be done via the CTHS Parent Portal**

Please Note:

The student key, which links the Parent Portal account to a student/s, will only need to be entered once for the whole time the student/s is enrolled at CTHS. Your Username will be your family email address and there is a facility to reset your Password on the Login screen.

CAREERS UPDATE

Western Sydney University Mid-Year Info Day

Date: Saturday 21 May

Time: 10am - 2pm.

Venue: Parramatta South campus, corner of James Ruse Drive and Victoria Road, Rydalmere.

http://www.uws.edu.au/midyear/home/mid-year_information_day



**MID-YEAR
INFORMATION DAY**

UNSW - Year 10 Subject Selection and Information Evenings

Dates: Tuesday 10 May and Wednesday 18 May

Time: 6.15pm - 7.30pm

Venue: Sir John Clancy Auditorium, UNSW Kensington

If you are considering attending university in two year's time and are a current Year 10 student (or parent or teacher of a Year 10 student), then come along to these evenings <http://www.futurestudents.unsw.edu.au/whats>

University of Sydney - Year 10 Information Evenings

These evenings are designed to help Year 10 students (and their parents) choose subjects for the HSC and navigate through the process of applying to university.

Topics include: ATAR, scaling, prerequisites and assumed knowledge, subject selections, career pathways, and the student journey to university.

Dates: Monday 16, Wednesday 18 and Monday 23 May

Time: 6pm - 8pm

Venue: The University of Sydney (further information will be provided to registered attendees).

<http://sydney.edu.au/study/admissions/events-for-future-students/year-10-information-evening.html>



University of Wollongong Events

UOW Open Day Wollongong campus, Saturday 13 August, 10am - 4pm.

<http://www.uow.edu.au/openday/index.html>

UOW Information Evening Bankstown, Wednesday 22 June, 6pm - 8pm.

http://mkto.uow.edu.au/20160522Bankstown-Year12InformationEvening_1.Registration.html

Study in Victoria

Senior students and their parents are invited to learn about the application processes and study options available in Victoria. Presentations will be given by the University of Melbourne and the Victorian Tertiary Admissions Centre (VTAC).

Date: Wednesday 1 June 2016

Times: University of Melbourne, 6.30pm - 7pm

VTAC, 7pm - 7.30pm

University of Melbourne Q&A, 7.30pm - 8pm

Venue: Monte Sant' Angelo Mercy College, O'Regan Arts and Cultural Common Theatre, 128 Miller Street North Sydney.

RSVPs are essential <https://www.trybooking.com/Booking/BookingEventSummary.aspx?eid=194382>

UNE HSC Booster Days

The UNE HSC Booster Days are aimed at helping Year 12 students increase their understanding of their HSC subjects. Accommodation and meals will be provided for those travelling over 100kms.

The subjects covered will be maths, science, economics, business studies and legal studies.

Date: Monday 23 May

Time: 8:30am

Date: Tuesday 24 May

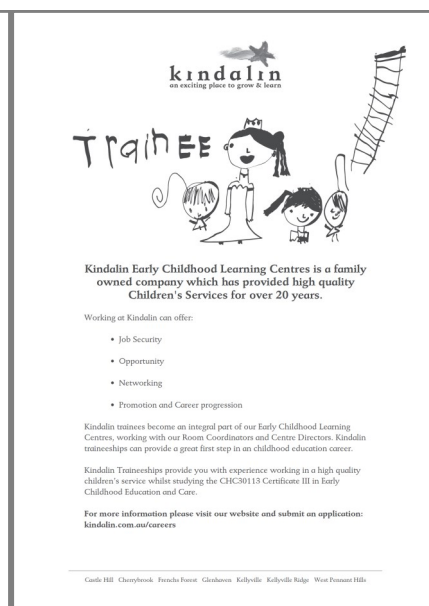
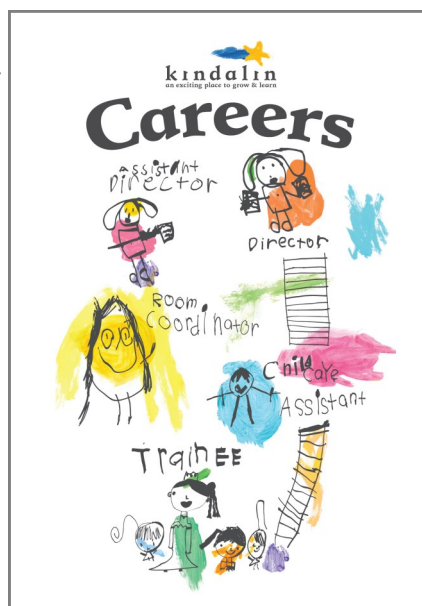
Time: 3:30pm

Contact: Sally Strelitz, 02 6773 1249,

sally.strelitz@une.edu.au

<http://www.une.edu.au/connect/events/events/une-hsc-booster-days>

Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Bower





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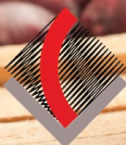
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On Thursdays (sport days) all students in Years 9-11 must have their early leave notes signed by a member of the PE staff before presenting to the office.

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 be advised the school does not supply any medication, including pain killers, medicated creams, eye drops etc.**



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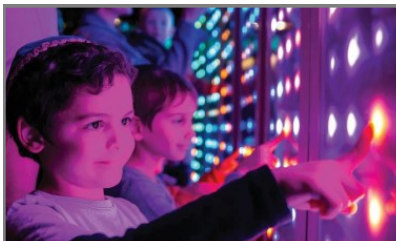
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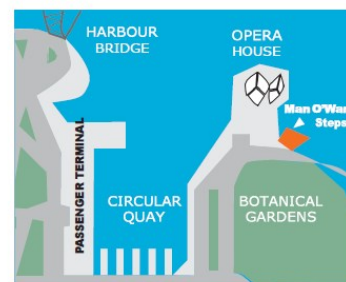
DATES

Friday	27 th May 2016	7.00-9.30pm
Saturday	28 th May 2016	7.00-9.30pm
Sunday	29 th May 2016	7.00-9.30pm
Friday	3 rd June 2016	7.00-9.30pm
Saturday	4 th June 2016	7.00-9.30pm
Sunday	5 th June 2016	7.00-9.30pm
Friday	10 th June 2016	7.00-9.30pm
Saturday	11 th June 2016	7.00-9.30pm
Sunday	12 th June 2016	7.00-9.30pm
Friday	17 th June 2016	7.00-9.30pm
Saturday	18 th June 2016	7.00-9.30pm

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CALENDAR - Term 2 Week 3B	
Monday 9 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 11 AP1 Exams
Tuesday 10 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 11 AP1 Exams • Year 7 & 9 National Language & Writing Exam
Wednesday 11 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 11 AP1 Exams
Thursday 12 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 11 AP1 Exams • Year 7 & 9 National Numeracy
Friday 13 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 11 AP1 Exams • Year 7 Vaccinations • Year 12 Drama Camp • Year 9 Science Half Yearly Examination
Saturday 14 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 12 Drama Camp
Sunday 15 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 12 Drama Camp