

NETWORK

CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Term 2

Week 7B

10 June 2016



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

New School Leaders Selection Underway

On Tuesday afternoon the first stage of the Senior School Leaders Selection began with a team of students, parents and staff reading and discussing a large number of quality resumés in an effort to select the eighteen students who will move on to the final stage of the selection process, which will involve giving a prepared speech and answering a range of unseen questions.

My thanks are extended to Mrs Helen Wrench from the P&C and our current School Leaders, who provided thoughtful and insightful views during the course of the selection process, which really added to the occasion.

Stage 5 Subject Selection Evening

Tuesday 28 June, is our Year 8 into 9 Subject Selection Evening. This is a most important night for students and parents as it is an opportunity to learn more about our elective system. Details of how to select courses online will be provided during the presentation. Year 8 parents should mark this important date in their diaries.

School Holidays

The mid-year school holidays commence at 3pm on Friday 1 July and continue until Tuesday 19 July, when all students are to return to school. Staff will be involved in a School Development Day on Monday 18 July. This is a **student free day** and parents should ensure that any supervision arrangements necessary for their children are in place for this day.

Trivia Night Reminder

A reminder that students, families and friends of the CTHS community are invited to a fun-filled night of trivia on Friday 24 June, with all money raised going to support our sister school in Cambodia and the charitable work of the Social Justice Club.

Super Mega Happy Week

The school SRC, led by our outgoing Senior Leadership Team, have done an absolutely marvellous job of engaging students in a range of activities over the past week. One of the most exciting events held in SMHW was the talent quest, which was held on Tuesday, with a range of talented students and staff performing in the finals.

The highlight for many was the staff/student rock group act with wonderful performances from Sanjeev Desai and Ben Salmon on guitar, Adam Tan on keyboards, Mr Woo on guitar and vocals, Mr Fairclough on lead vocals and Mr Sloan on the drums.



Teacher Appreciation Breakfast

Another highlight of the week, particularly for staff, was the Teacher Appreciation Breakfast last Friday morning. Students served a range of fruit, croissants and pancakes, with fresh barista coffee, to very appreciative teachers who later went to class with smiles on their faces.



Showcase 2016

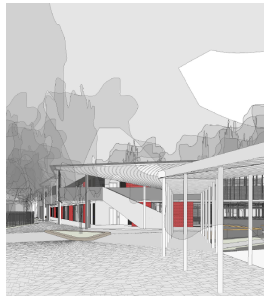
Our annual Showcase of music students, including all music ensembles as well as a selection of Year 12 HSC music students and Year 11 preliminary music students, is being held on Wednesday 22 June. It will take place in the school's MPC commencing at 7pm. I strongly encourage you to come along and support some of the many talented students of Cherrybrook Technology High School. Entry is \$5, which is payable at the door on the night.

Building Update

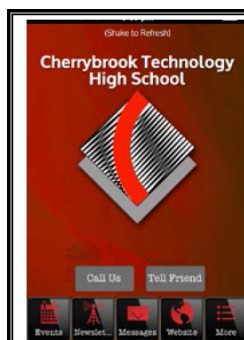
Plans for the new building are all but complete and the final sign off is very near. The architects presented details of the new building to a very appreciative P&C Executive last Tuesday night. The Executive were delighted with the modern design, the links to the earlier school architecture and the planning that has gone into the landscaping surrounding the new structure.

Relocation of our demountable classrooms will take place during the September vacation and building work will commence immediately after the completion of the HSC in November. We eagerly await the building to commence!

Mr Johnson



Artist's Impressions of the Impending Building Work



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.

Super Mega Happy Week Continues



Department of Education Requirements for Students who are Anaphylactic, Asthmatic, or have Allergies or Serious Medical Conditions

The Department of Education requires parents to provide full disclosure of **ALL** medical conditions. Therefore, **ALL** students who are **Anaphylactic, Asthmatic**, or have **Allergies** or any **serious medical conditions**, **MUST** supply documents to the school confirming their condition. A current *Medical Plan* from a General Practitioner is also mandatory. Parents must contact the Head Teacher Welfare to discuss their child's medical condition(s) and the required documentation.

Please note, it is a Department of Education prerequisite that **all students who are Anaphylactic 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.

Mr Hind, Head Teacher Welfare

Year 11 Geography Field Trip - Checking the Pulse of the Hawkesbury Nepean River

On Friday 27 May, Year 11 geography headed out to Brewongle EEC for a field trip to investigate the health of the Hawkesbury Nepean River. After a discussion of the issues facing the catchment, we headed off to Ulinbawn Ski Park where we met researchers from the University of Western Sydney (UWS). Students were split into three groups, with one group donning the waders to collect phyto and zooplankton samples; another group studied issues relating to riverbank erosion caused by the many ski boats using the river; and the last group boarded the UWS boats to undertake a range of tests on the river, including water quality and physical characteristics.

After a quick lunch we headed back to the Earth and Environment Centre, to study our water samples under microscopes and identify the marine algae species present. What we saw was amazing! A myriad of species could be seen in front of our very eyes, with the highlight being a zooplankton species devouring a phytoplankton species. The variety of organisms present was pleasing, but there are still major issues regarding the river's nutrient levels. No doubt the recent floods will have helped to cleanse the river. A great day of hands-on investigations was had by all.

Mr Clements



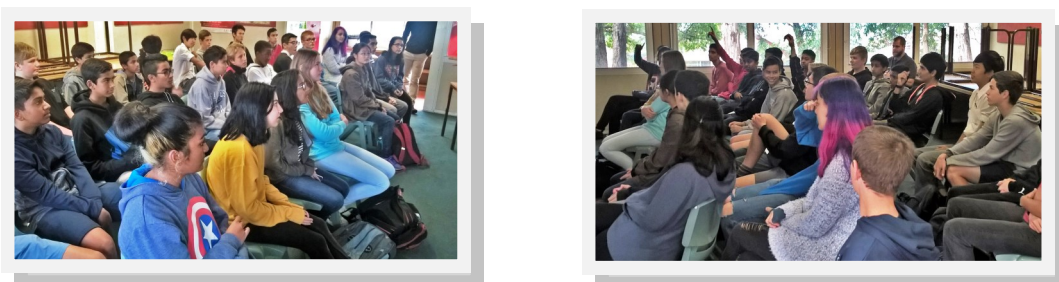
A Smart Start for Commerce Students

On Wednesday 4 and 18 May and 1 June, Commerce students attended a series of SmartStart sessions provided by the Commonwealth Bank Foundation.

DollarSmart students listened to the Smart Spending session. It explored the influences on consumers' spending as well as ways students can evaluate the true value of potential purchases. *Running a Business* students enjoyed the Smart Enterprise session, focussing on low cost steps students could take to start a business and workshopped their own potential business options. *Towards Independence* students participated in the Smart Earning session. This workshop explored the rights and responsibilities of, and potential pitfalls for, employees as they enter the workplace. *Going Global* classes learned about Smart Saving and finally, *Risk and Return* students weighed up their investment options in the Smart Investing workshop.

Student feedback on these sessions was overwhelmingly positive with repeated mention of how impressed they were with the session facilitator, Mr Joshua Hindle. We look forward to conducting more sessions, next semester.

Mr Brown



String Ensemble at the Sydney Eisteddfod

The CTHS String Ensemble recently performed at the Sydney Eisteddfod in Chatswood. More than ten other schools from all over Sydney competed with us in the premium division. For most of the group it was their first time performing on a world-class concert stage with big lights shining down on them. Although we did not place in the top three, I was proud of the String Ensemble's courageous performance and their team spirit was admirable. It is a privilege to be their conductor!

Robert van Gend, String Ensemble Director



Congratulations Annissa Maharrani, Year 11

Congratulations to Annissa Maharrani of Year 11 who achieved her First Dan Black Belt in Taekwondo on the weekend (Saturday 4 June). Annissa has been taught by Mr Hartman (Fourth Dan) of the Institute of Modern Taekwondo here at CTHS and this achievement is a culmination of over three years of training, which also included attending workshops, seminars, camps and advanced training at the IMT Headquarters in Brookvale. To gain her First Dan, Annissa was tested on her technique in the patterns section, her stamina and understanding of martial arts in the sparring, and self-defence sections and her strength in the breaking section. Annissa is a petite 16 year old who, for her grading, had to fight larger, often male, opponents with her last round being against Mr Hartman. She passed with flying colours and did the Cherrybrook IMT Club and her instructors, Mr Hartman (HSIE) and Matthew Serretta (ex-CTHS 2014), proud. Well done!

Mr Hartman



Ancient Warfare Incursion

On Wednesday last week (1 June) our three Year 11 ancient history classes, along with the Stage 5 *Tech of War* history elective classes, attended an Ancient Warfare incursion in the MPC. The incursion featured James Adams of Historic Enterprises, who most students would be familiar with as the Year 8 Medieval Day presenter.

With his assistant Kaylie, a myriad of student volunteers and his impressive collection of ancient and medieval arms and armour, Mr Adams conducted a presentation on the development of war, from the Ancient Babylonians and Egyptians through to the Greek and Roman periods, with a brief look at Ancient China.

Between segments, students had the opportunity to try on armour and hold the weapons, getting a feel for what it would have been like for an ancient hoplite or legionary. The last part of the day was a demonstration of the Chinese Chu-Ko-Nu (repeating crossbow) and a small sized ballista, a siege weapon that could hurl stones or arrows.

All attendees enjoyed the day, particularly when they were allowed to try on the armour! Students were also given much information, which will supplement their learning in both history elective and preliminary ancient history courses.

Mr Hartman

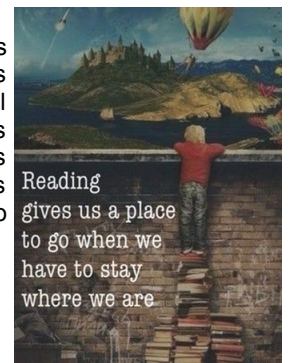
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From the Library

Long weekends, a gift to readers! Paul McDonald, of the well-known Children's Bookshop in Beecroft, has just visited our library for the second time this year. In Term 1 he addressed several Year 9 and 10 classes as well as the Peer Tutoring Group. This week his audience included students from Years 8 and 9. Paul spoke enthusiastically about children's and young adult's literature which, surprisingly perhaps, adults frequenting his shop are buying for themselves. On his visits, Paul brings a selection of books to discuss and students are given the opportunity to select those they would like the library to purchase. Books selected from the first visit are already in circulation and moving rapidly through the reservation list. Read to lose yourself and find yourself!

Mrs Halder



NSW Titration 2016

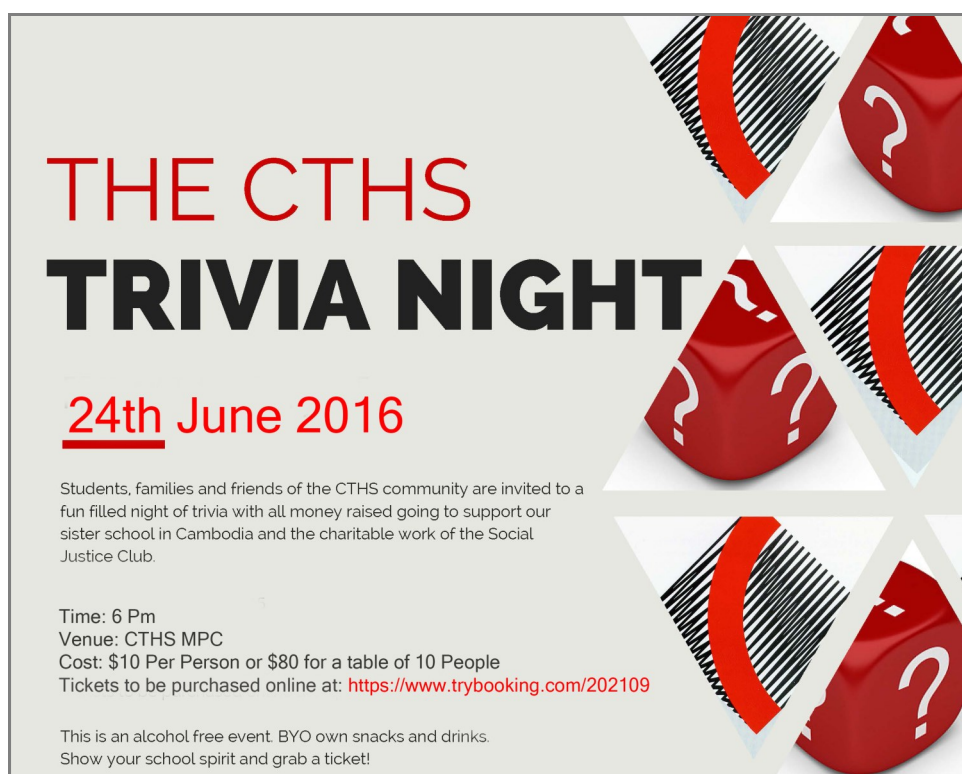
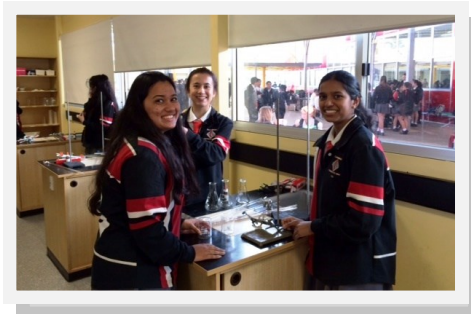
Year 12 chemistry students are due to participate in the prestigious and demanding NSW Chemistry Titration Competition on Sunday 17 July. Students have organised themselves into teams of three and are planning at least seven practice sessions, before they arrive at the chemistry laboratories at the University of Sydney to compete with candidates from other schools.

It was fantastic to see the students concentrating and being so very careful with their techniques and calculations during the competition and to see them help each other, giving one another encouragement and support during the Titrations. On the day of the competition, students will wear lab coats, use safety equipment and analyse the unknown samples, attempting to determine their strength and concentration.

The students are very excited and have trained hard under the supervision of Mrs Somasundaram and Ms Yang. A big thank you to our Science Assistants, Mrs McLeay and Miss Fitzgerald, who prepared the equipment and solutions for training, the final session being on Tuesday 14 June during lunchtime. It has been very pleasing to see the students engaging in feisty debates as to the correct concentrations of the unknown samples.

Good luck to our eight teams for the NSW Titration Competition.

Ms Yang



THE CTHS TRIVIA NIGHT

24th June 2016

Students, families and friends of the CTHS community are invited to a fun filled night of trivia with all money raised going to support our sister school in Cambodia and the charitable work of the Social Justice Club.

Time: 6 Pm
Venue: CTHS MPC
Cost: \$10 Per Person or \$80 for a table of 10 People
Tickets to be purchased online at: <https://www.trybooking.com/202109>

This is an alcohol free event. BYO own snacks and drinks.
Show your school spirit and grab a ticket!

CAREERS UPDATE



Western Sydney Careers Expo - Year 10 and Year 12 Excursion

ALL students in Years 10 and 12 **MUST** attend the Western Sydney Careers Expo, which will include a very comprehensive display of post-school education providers. Students will travel to this event by bus. Please download the appropriate permission note from the CTHS website, <http://cths.nsw.edu.au/curriculum/careers/>, and return the completed note, with \$15 payment, to the student window by **Wednesday 15 June**. Expo dates are as follows:

Year 12: Thursday 16 June

Year 10: Friday 17 June

Morrisby Report

Twice a year the Careers Advisers provide this valuable test to assist students with their career decision making. The second test for 2016 is scheduled for the first week of Term 3, Wednesday 20 July. The Morrisby Career Report is available to all students in Years 10, 11 and 12. The paper and pencil test takes approximately three and a quarter hours and is very comprehensive. Please download the appropriate permission note from the CTHS website, <http://cths.nsw.edu.au/curriculum/careers/>, and return the completed note, with \$100 payment, to the student window by **Tuesday 19 July**.

MORRISBY REPORT

The Morrisby Report provides much of the information needed to make important decisions about the future.

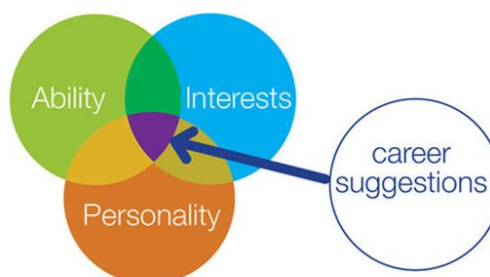
It presents:

- a profile of the individual's ability structure and level
- learning style, problem solving style
- some aspects of personality
- career interests (the MCQ or Morrisby Careers Questionnaire)
- 12 careers suggestions plus a range of associated suggestions

The ability/personality aspects are measured during a timed test session and together they are called the Morrisby Profile (MP)

The career suggestions are based upon the combined results of the MP and MCQ

The selection of the career suggestions is a complex process built and refined over several years, making this a sensitive system. It is as close to an 'expert system' as is available for careers guidance.



Macquarie University Campus Tour

Tuesday 21 June 2016, 4pm - 5:30pm and Monday 11 July 2016, 10:30am - 12pm. The tour will begin with a short presentation and will provide the opportunity for prospective students and their families to view lecture theatres, the library, support services and sporting facilities. Tours can be booked online <http://www.mq.edu.au/study/high-school-students/parents/campus-tours>

University of Sydney - Explore Engineering

Monday 11 - Wednesday 13 July, The University of Sydney, Camperdown. The University of Sydney is delivering a workshop in the July school holidays for Year 9 and 10 students interested in finding out more about engineering. Students will participate in hands-on activities and meet current engineers and engineering students. They will also be tasked with solving a real-life engineering problem and will get the opportunity to present their findings at the end of the workshop. Applications close Friday 10 June. For more information and to apply, visit <http://sydney.edu.au/engineering/high-school/explore-engineering>

Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Bower



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Saturday 25th June

9am - 2pm

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Cherrybrook Technology High School

28-44 Purchase Rd, Cherrybrook

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Drivers may stop in this zone to **drop off** or **pick up** children, but note:

- Maximum stop time is 2 minutes
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- Vehicle must **not** be left unattended



No Stopping

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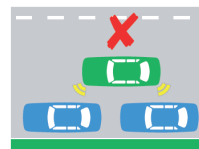
Bus Zone

- Stopping is **not** permitted during the times shown on the sign



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- Drivers are **not** permitted to stop or park between the centre of the road and another vehicle that is parked at the side of the road.



If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction only applies during the times shown.

The stated fines and demerit points apply in school zones and are current as at 1 January 2013.

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in conjunction with Kuring Gai Police Local Area Command





Guitar Ensemble at Cherrybrook Technology High School.
Unlimited fun!
 Interested? Please see Mrs Lee in the main staffroom,
To try it and see.
 Ange Tsoltoudis, our extremely talented Director, takes
 Rehearsals on Mondays and Thursdays at 7.20am in D1.7.

OFFICE HOURS

The school office is open Monday to Friday during school terms between
8.15am and 3.30pm.

Please note, payments can be made by phone or via the payment window,
 which is open between **8.15am and 1.30pm.**

Thank you

CALENDAR - Term 2 Week 8A

Monday 13 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Queen's Birthday Holiday
Tuesday 14 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SRC Elections • Year 12 Senior Science Excursion • Year 12 Ext 1 Maths Assessment Task
Wednesday 15 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zone Athletics Carnival • NDCO Disability Outreach program • HSC Assessment Task - IPT
Thursday 16 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 12 Careers Expo • Year 7 Cyber Shorts • HSC Assessment Task - SDD hand-in Task
Friday 17 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 10 Careers Expo • Year 9 Reports available via parent portal • ELC HSC Economics Conference • Year 11 Mathematics Assessment Task • Year 11 General Mathematics Assessment Task • Year 12 Chemistry Titration Competition
Saturday 18 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 7 2017 GATS Test