

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



### Year 6 into 7 Open Night

Great weather and approximately 800 excited parents and students proved to be a wonderful starting point for what became a terrific Open Night.

Visitors to the school were treated to an introduction to the school and then taken on a tour of the school's many marvellous facilities, including our new J Block and the refurbished G Block. Current students supported the evening by acting as knowledgeable guides, curriculum experts and demonstrators of a diverse range of activities including cooking, woodworking and sporting equipment.

My thanks are extended to all staff and students who made the evening such a success. In particular I would like to congratulate Ms Howard and Mr Fisher, whose preparation and organisation was key to the smooth operation of the evening.

### School Contributions

A reminder to all parents, school contributions are now due. Funds raised are necessary for student electives to continue in their current format, while the general contribution supports a variety of student programs and needs, including the purchase of the most appropriate texts and resources to support student learning. It is most fortunate our parents and community do so strongly support the school and value the education their sons and daughters receive, we need this support to continue in 2019.

### P&C Meeting

The next meeting of the P&C will be held on Tuesday 12 March, commencing at 7.30pm in the school common room. All parents are invited, indeed actively encouraged, to attend the P&C meeting.

The evening will commence with the Annual General Meeting where office bearers for the next twelve months will be elected. The general meeting will follow. Mr Perry, our Head Teacher PDHPE, will be the guest speaker providing valuable insights into the teaching of Physical Education and the current PE curriculum.

These evenings are a great opportunity to have some input into the direction of the school, meet with other parents and to hear of new developments within the school. I'm certain our present members will make all newcomers feel most welcome.

### International Women's Day Assembly

On Tuesday of this week students attended a terrific Assembly with the focus being International Women's Day. The Social Justice Team, led by Ms Campbell and Ms Corbett, organised a jam-packed agenda, which included film, music and a most impressive guest speaker, Ms Aminata Conteh-Biger.

Aminata spoke of her time growing up in Sierra Leone, Western Africa and how a very fine childhood was taken from her when her country was torn apart by war and how she was forced to accompany armed rebels who used her as a human shield and sex slave. Aminata, after a string of extraordinarily difficult and dangerous events, arrived in Australia as a 20 year-old refugee. She has since completed school, married, had two children and gone on to found a charity, entitled The Aminata Maternal Foundation, which supports women in Sierra Leone during their pregnancy.

To say her story was remarkable is an absolute understatement. Despite what she has been through she remains a most elegant, resilient and positive woman, who serves as a terrific role model. It was very good for our students to hear her story which helped many of them gain a wider perspective on the world and understand the exceptional strength and resilience of the woman telling her story.

Photographed with Ms Aminata Conteh-Biger, Mr Johnson, Jayan Pascoe and Eloise Cansdell, is Ms Penny Gerstle, who is the CEO of The Aminata Maternal Foundation.

For more information you can find The Aminata Maternal Foundation online or on social media.



### Achieving Together

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### **P&C Functions Committee**

One of the many things which make our school such a fabulous place is the way our guests at major functions are always provided with either a terrific supper or morning tea, depending upon the occasion, by our wonderful P&C Functions Committee. Over the past six years one of the driving forces behind this very successful group has been Mrs Yeh Bee Soh, mother of Charlene Jee, Year 12.

Yeh Bee has been an absolute tyro cooking, organising and serving our many parents and friends. Sadly, with her daughter completing Year 12, this week's Open Night was the last occasion she will be with the Functions Committee. I know the entire community will support me in thanking Yeh Bee for her tireless efforts.

Mr Johnson



### **ARTEXPRESS Excursion**

On Tuesday 5 March, Year 10 GATs and Year 11 and 12 Visual Art classes visited the ARTEXPRESS Exhibition. This Exhibition included exemplary bodies of work from the 2018 HSC Visual Art students from around the State. The excursion consisted of two displays; one was a display at the Armory, in Homebush, which displayed the best HSC pieces under themes of Culture, Family, Environment and Urban Metropolis. The second was an exhibition at the Art Gallery of NSW in the Domain, which displayed inspiring talent in a variety of media.

The Armory was an amazing experience with displays of mixed media art, all with written blurbs explaining the artists' choices and inspiration for their pieces. Interestingly, all students had varying favourite art works, often preferring pieces which were similar to their art style or what they plan on making for their HSC. The Gallery was separated into different subjects of inspiration, such as Family or Gender etc. At the end of the tour, we could vote for our favourite piece for an opportunity to win a prize. Students had the opportunity to indulge in some overpriced drinks and peaceful seating areas, to discuss our experience in the Gallery.

After a further bus drive through the city, students arrived at the Art Gallery of NSW. We enjoyed lunch in Hyde Park and were flocked by Ibis birds. Once we entered the building, we were overwhelmed with stunning architecture and beautiful artworks, many of an unbelievable scale. We were led to the back of the Gallery to the ARTEXPRESS Exhibition. Upon entrance, we were greeted with the planning and inspiration pages of the artworks inside. These pieces are the ones which have received awards and full or partial scholarships. There were more sculptural and 3D pieces there, as well as multimedia pieces.

Conclusively, this excursion was a great opportunity to view past HSC works and get inspiration for the type of work we could do next year. Both visiting classes were impressed with the quality and creativity of the pieces and were glad to have been given the opportunity to go.

Sasha Thurkettle, Year 11



ARTEXPRESS Excursion



### **Annie is About to Burst onto Stage**

With around 750 primary school children in the audience for our Tuesday matinee show next week and around the same number in the audience for our Stage 4 Matinee on Wednesday 13 March, the cast of this year's school musical, *Annie*, are set to dazzle and delight one and all.

It will soon be your turn to be part of the excitement, with three evening shows, Thursday 14 March, Friday 15 March and Saturday 16 March, commencing at 7pm each night.

Be sure to snap up your tickets for this musical by either:

1. Purchasing online via the school website; click on 'Forthcoming Events'  
**OR**
2. Purchasing tickets at the door.

Our MPC has been transformed into New York in the 1930's, so come along and be transported to the world of *Annie*, the Musical.

Don't miss these incredible performances by a cast of talented young singers, actors and dancers. Come and see the best show in town!

Ms Cannon

### **PROCEDURES 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.**

### **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.

## **CHERRYBROOK TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS**



Book by  
**THOMAS  
MEEHAN**

Music by  
**CHARLES  
STROUSE**

Lyrics by  
**MARTIN  
CHARNIN**

Original Broadway Production  
by  
**MARTIN CHARNIN**

**Cherrybrook Technology  
High School  
MPC**

**Thursday 14 March, 7PM  
Friday 15 March, 7PM  
Saturday 16 March, 7PM**

**Students \$10      Concession \$10  
Adults \$15      Family \$45**

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# Sports Report



## Taekwondo

Kane Belcastro recently competed in the 2018 Australian Taekwondo National Championship. Twelve athletes from Australia qualified to contest in his division. After a highly skilled competition, Kane won the Gold medal and the title of Australian Champion. Congratulations Kane!

## Cricket

Congratulations to Lauren Kua who has been selected in the Cricket Australia Under 15's Talent Squad. She has been selected for this squad after an outstanding performance at the National Championships with the NSW Metro Team. In the final of the tournament she took 4-14, which is an amazing achievement. Congratulations on your selection in this Talent Squad Lauren.

## Boys' Knockout Volleyball

The Boys' Knockout Volleyball Team had their first match against Marsden High School. After a very close match it came down to the last set. The boys were unlucky losing the last set 15-11. They were unfortunately knocked out losing 3-2 in the end. Good effort from the boys.

## Boys' Knockout Touch

On Wednesday 6 March the CTHS Knockout Boys' Touch Team faced off against St Ives at Greenway. The team played out a very tight first half, but fell off in the second half eventually losing the game. Good effort Boys.

## Upcoming Events

- Thursday 21 March: Sydney North Swimming Carnival
- Thursday 21 March: Year 7 Gala Day
- Sat 6 - Tues 9 April: NSWCHS Swimming Carnival
- Wednesday 10 April: CTHS Athletics Carnival
- Thursday 11 April: CTHS Athletics Carnival Half Day

Scott Chapman, Sports Vice Captain



## DAILY ABSENTEE TEXTS

Please be advised, if you receive a text from the school alerting you of your child's absence, you may respond to the text. However, this is a stand-alone process and **ONLY** for the purpose of absentees. **Please DO NOT text the school** unless you receive a message from CTHS and **DO NOT** use this system for any other communication. Thank you

# Careers Update

## Universities

### QILT - Australian Universities Compared

Quality Indicators for Learning and Teaching (QILT) website compares Australian universities based on their graduate job prospects, student satisfaction and retention rates. Thinking about higher education institutions and study areas? Wish you could ask someone about their experience? With QILT, you can do side by side comparisons of the quality of the higher education institutions and the study areas you are interested in <https://www.qilt.edu.au/>.



## Job opportunities

### Top 100 Graduate Employers in 2018

If you don't have a clue what careers might interest you or what you would like to study at Uni, maybe you are unsure if you would even like to study further after school, have a look at the list of Australia's top 100 companies who employed graduates in 2018.

You can have a peek at their careers pages, see what jobs they have on offer and what qualifications you would need to be considered for the job. You never know, you could be inspired. Read the list [here](#).



## Work Experience

### Australian Museum Work Experience

This Work Experience Program offers high school students the chance to explore a variety of careers, including Science and Cultural Research, Education, Public Programming, Curatorial and Exhibition Design, Marketing, Communications and Corporate Services.

This program is available for students in Years 10, 11 and 12. Applications are now open and will close Friday 5 April.

Placements will be available in Terms 2, 3 and 4 and all successful applicants for 2019 will be notified from 29 April. Each placement is limited to five days (Monday to Friday) working 10am until 4pm each day. [Contact](#) them for details on how to apply.

### Year 10 Engineering Work Experience

UNSW CVEN is interested in receiving applications for students who are self-motivated, reliable, punctual and who have a strong mathematical ability. Importantly, students must have an interest in pursuing a career in Engineering.

You can watch a short video about the UNSW Civil and Environmental Engineering Year 10 Work Experience Program. If you are interested to learn more or apply, the details are on this [link](#).

Mrs Ferguson and Mrs Bower



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# World Poetry Day

## Hawkesbury River Writers

### Presented by the Hawkesbury River Writers.

Join the poets from Hawkesbury River Writers to celebrate World Poetry Day as they read and share their work with us.

The evening will include slam poetry, and we will open the mic to anyone who'd like to share their original work.

**When:** **Thursday 21 March**  
6.30pm

**Where:** **Hornsby Library**  
28-44 George St, Hornsby  
Entry via Hunter Lane

**Cost:** \$5

**Bookings:** **Ticketed event.**  
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2018	16 September.....	Bridge City Jazz Band
	21 October.....	Mike Hallam Hot Six
	18 November.....	Nigel Hearn Quintet Featuring Valerie King
2019	17 February.....	Geoff Power Jazz Band
	17 March.....	Greg Poppleton & the Bakelite Broadcasters
	28 April.....	Riverside Jazz Band
	19 May.....	Zenith Jazz Sextet

**Bookings: [www.jazzatthepines.org.au](http://www.jazzatthepines.org.au)**

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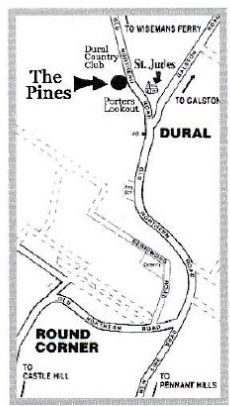
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and bring a picnic lunch to enjoy under the majestic pines of historic Roughley House.

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 Phone: 02 9651 4411  
 Email: [info@jazzatthepines.org.au](mailto:info@jazzatthepines.org.au)

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## CALENDAR - Term 1 Week 7B

Monday 11 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knockout Sport - Girls' Open Touch Football</li> </ul>
Tuesday 12 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Year 12 Study Skills</li> <li>• P&amp;C Executive Meeting - 6.30pm, A Block Conference Room</li> <li>• P&amp;C Annual General Meeting - 7.30pm, Staff Common Room</li> </ul>
Wednesday 13 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Musical Stage 4 - P5 &amp; 6, MPC</li> <li>• Knockout Sport - Soccer Open Boys</li> </ul>
Thursday 14 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Musical Opening Show - 7pm, MPC</li> </ul>
Friday 15 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Careers Mentoring Breakfast - 7.30am-8.30am</li> <li>• Year 7 Interim Reports available via Parent Portal</li> <li>• Year 11 &amp; 12 Textiles Excursion</li> <li>• Musical - 7pm, MPC</li> </ul>
Saturday 16 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Musical - 7pm, MPC</li> </ul>