



## Principal's Report

Welcome to our first edition of the Newsletter for Term 3. I am pleased to have started this term together with everyone at Chester Hill and I feel that I belong here now more than I did last term. We have already begun to make some changes to our attendance, our uniform policy and our mobile phone policy. I am attaching a copy of our new mobile phone policy. ([www.chesterhillhighschool.com/mobilepolicy.pdf](http://www.chesterhillhighschool.com/mobilepolicy.pdf))

We are currently conducting interviews with parents regarding attendance. I need your support to ensure that your children get to school *on time every day*. This is *an absolute priority*. Please make an appointment to see one of the Deputy Principals if you are having any issues with your child's attendance.

I also need your support in ensuring that your children are wearing their full school uniform every day. All Chester Hill High School uniform needs to have a logo. We are in the process of ordering school logos for purchasing to sew onto your child's jumpers and shirts. This is a Work, Health and Safety (WHS) issue. Our school site is huge and we need to ensure that *all* students on our premises actually belong to Chester Hill.

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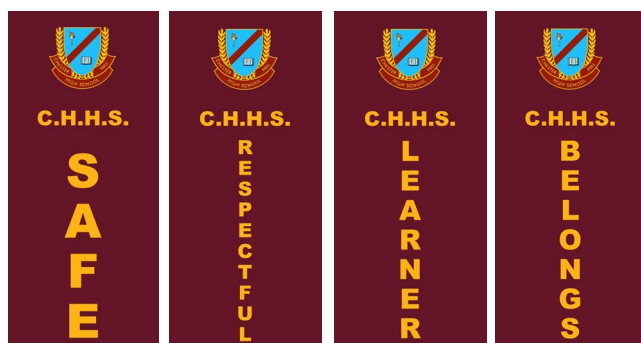
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We will be having a Community Forum meeting on Wednesday, 12 August 2015, from 6.00pm – 7.30pm and I encourage our parents and caregivers to attend. We will be discussing these issues and invite you to ask the Senior Executive staff questions surrounding any aspect of your child's learning.

Our Year 12 students have been sitting for their Trial examinations these last two weeks. These times are crucial for our Year 12 where they are almost at the end of their 13 years of education.

I would also like to take this opportunity to wish our Islamic Community "Ramadan Kareem".

*Ms S C Mobayed*



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## IEC Report

The IEC had several special days in Term 2 where connected communities came together to foster working relationships. Two days deserve special mention.

On Friday 29 May 2015, thirty Optus executives and the SingTel Optus Corporate Social Responsibility Vice President, Mr Andrew Buay devoted a day to volunteering at the IEC. Together with senior students, they created new garden beds and improved the grounds. In the afternoon, they lent support to the Rich Task presentations and the EAL/D new arrivals were greatly encouraged and emboldened to present articulate speeches because they sensed the genuineness of the corporate community which made them feel welcome. The students made doves out of play-dough to symbolize peace, harmony and unity and used the day's activities to write recounts, narratives, descriptions, information and



The 2015 International Students Camp was held in conjunction with the Your Face Your Story (YFYS) program at the TOPS Conference Centre. 56 students from the high school, the IEC and 20 students from Cumberland High School participated in Peer Support activities, a trivia night, the 'Giant Swing', survival courses and sports, finishing with leadership mentoring from 26 Optus mentors. For the international students, the camp was a rare treat where they learnt about the Australian bush environment and outdoor lifestyles. The picturesque scenery at the TOPS was the perfect setting to inspire writing of autobiographies. The event brought together students and staff from three different school communities and our business partner, Optus.

## ABCN Aspirations Mentoring

Thursday 30 July marked the launch of the ABCN's Aspirations Mentoring Launch.

Twenty students from 10ENGR participated in the ABCN Aspirations which is designed for high school students to broaden their awareness of career options and help them make informed decisions about their choices and pathways beyond school.

The launch has allowed the students to meet their mentors from Optus in preparation for the mentoring program which will take place at Optus Park. Students will have the opportunity to learn about the 8 key employability skills, demonstrate the employability skills in action and receive feedback on how they performed the skills. They will also discover and discuss the various stages of the "recruitment cycle".

The program will commence in August over 4 monthly sessions.

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# Bastille Day Cafe

## UN GRAND MERCI!!!

Once again our Cheso **Year 10 French Students** have made the school proud. It was an outstanding effort by *les etudiants français* as well as some *ex-etudiants français*, currently in Year 12, and some **Year 10, 11 and 12 volunteers**. (names below)

You were all **MAGNIFIQUE!!** You made me proud to be your French teacher and a Deputy at this school. The way you worked together and ensured the day was a success is an outstanding example of our Cheso team spirit. An additional **Merci** to the students who came in on the holidays to help set up. **Un Grand Merci!**

These days can not happen without the hard work and collaboration of staff and students. A huge **MERCI** to **Ms Gabriel** for her generosity in allowing us to use the library and all her work on the day. **MERCI** also to **Ms Sweedman** for her artistic flair, the wonderful **SAS staff**, in particular **Mrs Lim, Mrs Atkins, Mrs Crelley, Mrs Quinnell, Mr Irons, Mr Htoo and Mr Viller**.

One last **MERCI** to all the students and staff who came to join us in the **Bastille Day Celebrations** at our **Bastille Day Café**. Your enthusiasm and excellent behaviour was an exceptional example of the Cheso spirit and made the day enjoyable for all.

**Merci mille fois et à la prochaine!!**

**Madame Mateus**



### Student Helpers

#### Year 10

Issra Abdellatif  
Rose Albadawi  
Rebekah Albert  
Brayden Dorrington  
Sakina El-Hares  
Souhare Elhaddad  
Julie Galicia  
Iman Hares  
Lisa Huynh  
Makarem Malas  
Mylinh Nguyen  
Olivia Percy  
Vivian Tran  
Diane Sen  
Ayah Ayad  
Rhianna Dalglish

#### Year 11

Parnian Hamidpour  
Ghada Khalef  
Stephanie Albadawi

#### Year 12

Anthony Ho  
Timon Huo  
Shahid Hussain  
Andrew Lam  
Jimmy Nguyen  
Bill Phong  
Aadarsh Prasad  
Kelly Tran  
Laura Tran  
Jessica Truong

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## Vaccinations

On Friday 24 July, Year 7 had their second vaccination for HPV (Human Papillomavirus Vaccine).

The immunization program for Year 7 began in Term 1 when they received vaccinations for HPV as well as Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough. Last week was the second dose for HPV. The final vaccination will be on Friday 27th November. That will complete the HPV three doses and will also in-

clude a needle to vaccinate against chicken pox (Varicella Zoster Vaccine).

Year 7 students were well behaved and the vaccinations went off without a hitch. Well done, Year 7! We will remember to buy lollies for you for the November final vaccinations to congratulate you all for your excellent co-operation.

**Mrs Fields and Mrs Watts**

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## Master Apprentice

The school was thrilled when **Brenden Williamson** received the **South Western Sydney School Based Apprentice of the Year Award**. The ceremony was held at Liverpool Catholic Club on 24 June 2015. The evening was attended by TAFE and private colleges as they rewarded students for excellence in a range of qualifications ranging from Certificate II to Advanced Diploma levels.

Brenden is completing his SBA in Motorcycle Mechanics and his employer is **On Two Wheels** at Campbelltown.

We thank the employer for all the vocational guidance they have given Brenden and for all their support.



We wish Brenden well as he goes through to the next level which is the State of NSW School Based Apprentice of the Year, for which he has been shortlisted as one of the final 3. *Good luck Brenden!*

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## Japanese Visit

From 28 to 31 July, 16 students and 2 teachers from Japan came to visit Chester Hill High School via the Nagoya – Sydney Sister City Exchange Program.

When the Japanese students arrived, we took them to the IEC library for an introduction ceremony. During the ceremony **Mrs Byrne** and the Japanese teachers exchanged presents. Two of the Japanese students also did a speech in English. Then, our students did a speech in Japanese.

Our Year 10 and Year 11 Japanese students were then buddied up with the Japanese students for the 4 days. Our students showed their buddies around the school and introduced them to the school using both English and Japanese. After that, we had morning tea with the Japanese students, including Aussie foods such as Lamingtons and Tim Tams.

For the next three days the Japanese students had English classes in the IEC Periods 1-3 and our Year 10 and 11 Japanese students took the Japanese students to their classes Periods 4 to 6. At recess and lunch we looked after them too.

On the last day with the Japanese students, we took the students back to the IEC Library for a goodbye ceremony. Two Japanese students did a speech about the experience at our school. After that the teachers handed out awards for the Japanese students and we all took a group photo with the students. We then took them to the bus to say goodbye and take some final photos.

Overall, this was a sensational and exciting week that we won't forget. Thanks to Mrs Byrne and **Ms Liau** (in the IEC) who organised this wonderful week. We hope they come again next year.

Written by **Lisa Huynh** (Yr 10)



## Zone Athletics 2015 Report

Over two days at The Crest, Chester Hill High School had the highest number of representatives each day. In the point score we finished 5<sup>th</sup> out of 12 schools. This was achieved on the back of our high participation levels and 40 competitors who

## Regional Athletics

A team of 42 students from Chester Hill High School competed at the Sydney South West Regional Athletics carnival. Students participated in multiple track and field events. It was another successful day for Chester Hill High School as the following students qualified for state;

- Peter Fua-1<sup>st</sup> Place Under 14's Discus
- Andre Kotevski-2<sup>nd</sup> Place Under 15's Discus
- Adrian Kotevski-1<sup>st</sup> Place Under 16's Javelin
- Rhiannon Minett-2<sup>nd</sup> Place Under 17's 3000 metre walk

Congratulations and all the best at the state carnival.

## Volleyball

On July 31, a team of Year 11 boys went to play in a volleyball gala day at Minto Indoor Sports Centre. They played against various schools in the area. Congratulations to Ahmad, Ali, Farhad, Hafiz, Javed, Mohammed, Qudrat and Sputz who came third in their pool. They then played an exciting match with the third placed team in the other pool, winning 25-12, 28-26. Congratulations on their efforts and exemplary behaviour throughout the day.

## Year 7 Gala Day

On June 1, Year 7 students participated in an Inter School Gala day. The sports that were played on the day included Oz tag, soccer and basketball. Year 7 students were coached by Year 10 PASS students and all games refereed by SFR students. The Chesos spirit was high as our Girls Oz tag

placed in the top 3 for their events. Our school showed amazing support for our competing relay teams cheering many of them on to place in the top 3. A special mention for **Rhiannon Minett** who won the 400m, 800m, 1500m and the 3000m walk!

**Mr J Bullen**



teams finished first and second in the competition.

Thank you to all students involved yet again another perfect performance by Chester Hill High School. A massive thank you to all teachers involved especially Mr Bullen for organising the day.

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## Science

The Year 10V Science class found a creative, hands-on approach to understanding scientific information, which has been a few billion years in the making. Exploring the vastness of Taronga Zoo the students identified, in a private workshop, adaptations of animals that allowed them to survive in the harsh Australian environment. Students had nerves of steel when touching the slithering scales of a snake, when patting a Shingleback lizard whose head can be easily mistaken from its other end, and as students came face-to-face with a real, live quokka! The quokka was labelled the happiest animal in the world due to its smile-like mouth shape.

While 10SV were collecting lots of information about the adaptations of large creatures they soon learnt of adaptations of small living things such as bacteria, a microscopic organism. Students began to understand that the adaptations of some bacteria were allowing them to survive courses of antibiotics. It was found that not all antibiotics are effective against some bacteria as they once were. Alarmed at this news, 10SV set their minds to work and joined the fight against antibiotic resistance.

NPS MedicineWise and Tropfest were holding a short film competition about antibiotic resistance and 10SV had plenty to say. With nothing but

their creativity, cameras and knowledge of science they set forth on the challenge to enter the competition. As a result, two short films were published onto the Chester Hill High School YouTube Channel and the films were well received by their peers and the staff at NPS MedicineWise. Unfortunately, they did not receive a place, but in recognition of their efforts NPS MedicineWise donated over 200 Resistance Fighter Kits to the Chester Hill High School Staff and 10SV students to help them combat against the cold and flu this Winter.

Please enjoy the films at the following urls:

<https://youtu.be/sbU7FrgbgJE>

<https://youtu.be/2i4SOeBm0ZI>

Congratulations and well done to 10SV on their great work!

**Mr Trovato**



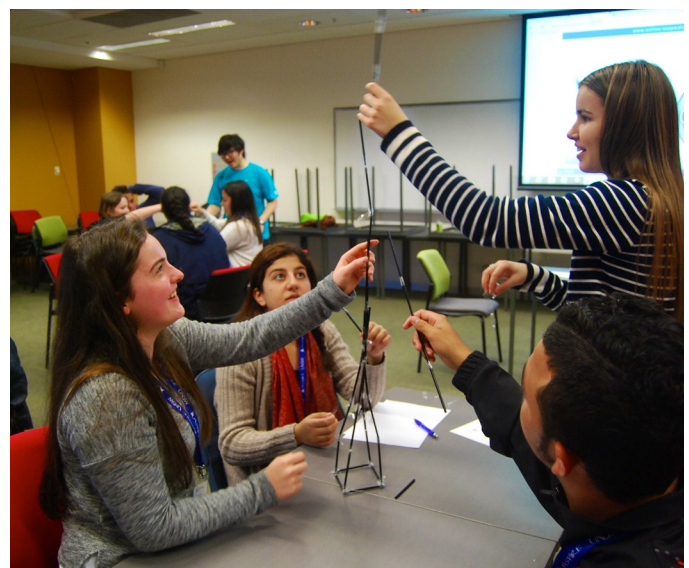
## Inspired by ASPIRE

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of Week 2, four students of Chester Hill High School went to the ASPIRE Connect Program. On Tuesday we went to UNSW where we were divided into groups depending on what we wanted as our future career. For example, I picked Medicine so I was placed in the Medicine group. The day started off with introductions and meeting our ambassadors. On the second day we went off campus to the Allianz Stadium where we were given a tour and they explained to us the various jobs available. After Allianz Stadium we went to the Prince of Wales Hospital. On the last day, we stayed on campus and learnt about time management and how to get organised.

I highly recommend this program for anyone interested in university as it provides you the opportunity to meet university students who are

studying in the field you maybe interested in and get to experience university life.

**By Mohammed Habl Almatin in Year 10**



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## SRC Fundraising

The SRC held a 'Pyjama Day' fundraiser in July to raise money for the Nepal Earthquake appeal. Staff and students came to school in their most comfortable sleeping clothes and raised a generous \$882 for this worthy cause. The funds were donated to Red Cross who are working with the Nepalese to rebuild their community in the aftermath of this devastating natural disaster.

**Ms Poon**



## Art Pathways

The Art Gallery NSW is running Art Pathways Program with funding from the Packer Foundation and Crown Resorts Foundation.

This involves gallery educators coming to Chester Hill High School to run enrichment programs with our students. Last Thursday two Year 8 classes participated in activity inspired by NSW Art Gallery artworks by Matisse and Liu Jiahua. Year 8 students created cut-out paper artworks based on ceramic forms.

Year 11 students were looking at environmental art and documented forms. As a result, they created wrapped human figure sculptures which they then drew with continuous line. Later on this year, eight students will attend a sponsored trip to the Art Gallery where they will have the op-



portunity to explore these and other artworks face to face.

We would like to thank the Art Gallery educators for providing such an enjoyable and enrichment day that we believe will motivate students to enhance their art creativity at Stage Five next year.

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# Chester Hill High School

## Calendar of Events - Term 3 - 2015



1A	Monday	13.7.15	* School Development Day
	Tuesday	14.7.15	* Bastille Day Cafe
	Friday	17.7.15	* State Cross Country
3A	Monday	27.7.15	* Year 12 – TRIAL HSC Examinations (all week)
	Tuesday	28.7.15	* Regional Athletics - Campbelltown Athletics Centre
	Wednesday	29.7.15	* Regional Athletics - Campbelltown Athletics Centre
	Friday	31.7.15	* High Achievers' Morning Tea Years 7-12 (9.30am)
4B	Monday	3.8.15	* Year 12 – Trial HSC Examinations continue to 7/8
	Wednesday	5.8.15	* NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ONLINE
	Friday	7.8.15	* Year 9 Mathematics Excursion – Luna Park
5A	Monday	10.8.15	* DECISION TIME (Yrs 8, 10, 11 Bridging Subject Selection) (Year 8 - 4.00pm-5.00pm) (Year 10 & 11 Bridging 5.30pm-6.45pm)
	Wednesday	12.8.15	* Year Meetings
			* COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING (6.00pm)
8B	Thursday	3.9.15	* Year Meetings
			* State Athletics
	Friday	4.9.15	* State Athletics
9A	Monday	7.9.15	* YEAR 11 PRELIMINARY EXAMS commence
	Wednesday	9.9.15	* NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ONLINE
10B	Monday	14.9.15	* YEAR 11 PRELIMINARY EXAMS continue to 18/9
	Wednesday	16.9.15	* YEAR 12 FAREWELL ASSEMBLY – Hall (10.00am – 11.00am)

Last Day Term 3 – Friday 18.9.15    First Day Term 4 – Tuesday 6.10.15

Please Note: Dates/Times correct at time of publication

**Uniform Shop (School Hall): Term 3**

***(New Times 1 June to 1 December)***

**Tuesday - 8.30am to 11.30am**

**Friday - 1.00pm to 4.00pm**

### **UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS**

**School Uniform is compulsory.** School Parent Committees, the School Community Forum and staff all believe that school uniform enhances the school's image with the community and gives our students a sense of **belonging** and **pride**. All uniform is to be worn as designed, and not altered in any way.

**PLEASE CHECK THE BACK OF THIS SHEET FOR THE CORRECT UNIFORM REQUIREMENTS  
FOR CHESTER HILL HIGH SCHOOL**