

# CHESO NEWS



Chester Hill High School Newsletter

October 2015

## Principal's Report

Welcome to our first newsletter in Term 4. By the time this newsletter is released, Year 12 students would have completed their HSC exams and we are all looking forward to them receiving their results by 16 December. The ATAR will be released the next day, Thursday, 17 December. Best of luck to all our students!

I would like to let parents and caregivers know that we will be having another Parent/Teacher Afternoon (Years 7 – 10) at the end of the year. This will be held on Thursday, 10 December, 3.15pm – 6.00pm. The Deputy Principals and some staff members will be available on that afternoon to issue the reports to you and possibly discuss the progress of your child for the second half of the year. We will NOT be handing reports to students from now on. Please make



yourself available on 10 December. If you are unavailable that day, please feel free to come to our office, where you will be able to collect your child's report. If you wish to discuss your child's progress and you are unavailable to collect the report,

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please make an appointment with the Deputy Principal at a time which is convenient to you.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind parents and caregivers about our Mobile Phone Policy. We do not allow students to handle or use their mobile phones during the school day. View our Mobile Phone Policy at [www.chesourl.com/mobile](http://www.chesourl.com/mobile). I need all your support on this policy. Students do not need to have mobile phones during the day and if you need to talk to your child or if your child needs to call you, this can be done through our front office. Thank you for your support in this matter.

This is our second last newsletter for 2015. We are almost at the end of the school year. I would also like to remind our families that our last Community Forum for 2015 will be held on Wednesday, 4 November in our school library at 6.00pm. Looking forward to seeing you then.

**Ms S C Mobayed**



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## Pink Ribbon Day

In support of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, staff and the SRC at Cheso held a Pink Ribbon Day event on Friday, 24 October to raise money for the national Breast Cancer Foundation.

We encouraged students to wear pink accessories for a day and sold pink ribbons in addition to a staff raffle. Their support was tremendous.

Thank you to the staff and students, including those at the IEC, for their generosity. We raised \$1932.45 which is truly awesome.

**Ms Poon.**



## Year 7 Gala Day

Year 7 students were placed into 16 teams to compete against each other in formal games of volleyball, basketball, netball and Oz Tag. Year 10 PASS students did a respectable job of coaching their teams, providing support and feedback.

Year 12 SFR students provided unbiased refereeing for all of the matches throughout the day. **Nasser Eter** and **Jacob Hamad** were providing amazing feedback for their team from the sideline, cheering them on during each of their games. **Dinah Atalili**

and **Dianne Sen** coached their team to the most victories throughout the day, securing them as the winning girls team.

There was excellent sportsmanship across the board with all teams shaking hands after each game and endless smiles from all participants. Once again Year 7 Gala Day has been successful in promoting healthy lifestyles and enjoyable participation in physical activity.

**Mr J Bullen**

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## The Coffee School

The Barista Level 1 Course was attended by select Year 12 students interested in finding casual work in cafés. The course was run by The Coffee School at Parramatta. It was a hands-on day, with students learning how to make all the types of coffee typically found in a café. A lot of practical fun was had.

**Mrs Patrizi**



## Certificate III Health Services Graduation

Congratulations to our Year 12 students that completed an additional qualification whilst completing their Higher School Certificate. They were presented with their certificates at a graduation ceremony at Liverpool Hospital on 9 September.

Of particular mention is **Ehsanullah Nadir** who was selected from all the students to deliver the student speech at the start of the ceremony. He spoke of the importance of nursing as a profession and he spoke of his personal journey in seeking an education and finding a career pathway. He represented our school with great pride and was an inspiration to all who attended the ceremony.

The graduands were;

At Liverpool Hospital — **Ehsanullah Nadir, Kathy Coughlin, Eh Doh Thaw Mu, Jacqueline Asamoah, Leah Moo, Tho Nhon Tran, Jessica Nguyen** and **Akoldh Marial**.

At Fairfield Hospital — **Toufic Khazma, Safa Khazma** and **Fadwa El-Chami**.

We thank the nursing educators at both hospitals for assisting our students build a foundation for their careers in the nursing sector.

**Mrs Patrizi**



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## Art Pathways

The Art Gallery NSW is running an 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 an 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, 8 students will attend a sponsored trip to the Art Gallery where they will have the opportunity to explore these and other artworks face to face.

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

From the Art Faculty.



## iTrack

Once again, Chester Hill High School continues to maintain our strong partnership with the Smith Family through our involvement in the iTrack Program. iTrack is an online mentoring program where students chat once a week with their mentors during Term 2 and 3. Students discuss subject choices, career options, university pathways and their future. This year, students were again keen to participate and talk to their mentors and they were particularly keen to meet up with their mentors at the two face-to-face meetings organised by the Smith Family.

At these events, the students and their mentors participate in team building activities and have lunch together. All mentors are keen to mentor stu-

dents from our school because they get invited to our Flag Day which is a highlight for them. A big thank you to all the students who participated in iTrack this year and the Smith Family for all their organisation.

**Ms Watts**



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## Peer Support

This year we had over 40 students in Year 11 become Peer Support Leaders. After a two day training program in Year 10, students were selected to be leaders. As a leader, their first job was Year 7 Orientation Day where they escorted parents and students on a tour of the school. In the first week, the Year 7 students had 3 Peer Support sessions where they got to know their leaders and meet their group.

The remaining Peer Support sessions were spread throughout the year with the leaders teaching their groups about resilience, friendships, the dangers of cyberbullying and the expectations of high school. At the end of the program all groups had a party to celebrate all the hard work and effort.

This year on the 12 and 13 November, **Ms Sullivan**, **Ms Kivilcim** and myself will be training the next generation of Peer Support Leaders.  
**Ms Watts**



## The Run For Your Life Project

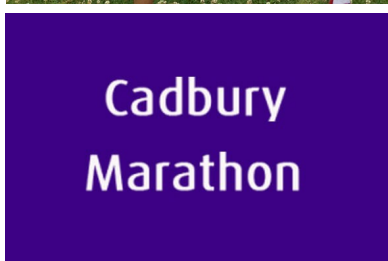
**Murtaza Ali**, **Reza Mossavi**, **Ali Mossavi**, **Sayed Khalil Musavi** and **Suleiman Yabarow** are continuing to work diligently, as members of The Run For Your Life Project, towards their goal of completing the [Cadbury Half Marathon](#) (That's 21.1km, for the uninitiated!) in Hobart, on 10 January, 2016,

In the coming weeks, they will be participating in a number of preparatory races including [The Summer Starter 10km](#), the final [Sydney Striders 10km](#) race for 2015, and a [Sydney Marathon Clinic 10km](#) race. Having now passed the 10km mark in training, these events will serve to teach the students valuable race tactics without posing too much of a problem, distance-wise. It's still a long way to go to 21.1km though!

To follow the project, go to [www.facebook.com/therunforyourlifeproject](http://www.facebook.com/therunforyourlifeproject).

Also, see the Sun Herald write up of the project: [www.chesourl.com/r4ylnews1](http://www.chesourl.com/r4ylnews1).

**Mr Criniti**



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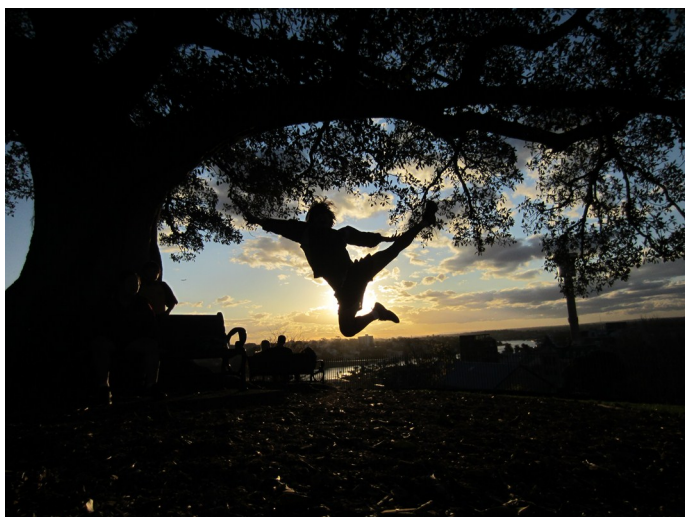


## Reaching for the Sky

Sky High is a program organised by the University of Technology Sydney (UTS), aimed at engaging students and giving them new and exciting opportunities and experiences.

The excursions are aimed at teaching students new skills, for example, orientation at Sydney Botanical Gardens. All up, 12 students in Year 7 got to experience going to the Observatory at night, a concert in the Opera House, working with an artist at the Art Gallery, visiting the National Maritime Museum and meeting the mounted police.

**Ms Fenton.**



## Year 5 Taster Lessons

As part of the Community of Schools, CHHS invites all Year 5 students from our six feeder schools- Chester Hill North, Chester Hill, Villawood North, Old Guildford, Yennora and Carramar to spend a morning at our high school.

This year students got to experience mini lessons in Art, PD/H/PE, Maths, History and Science. All the Year 5 students were eager to learn about the high school and asked numerous questions about homework, the size of the school, the amount of lessons and more.

They enthusiastically participated in all the lessons, learning about Pythagoras' Theorem, using iPads, conducting a science experiment, playing sport and they even got to take home a souvenir from Art; a clay pinch pot they made. It was a great

morning and all students left the high school feeling confident about returning to high school when they start Year 7.

**Ms Watts**



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## Optus Mentoring Program

Students participated in a hands-on, Employability-Skills building activity led by their Optus mentors. "The Box of Tricks" activity purpose was to reinforce the 8 employability skills strategies and to be aware about what employers are looking for.

Students used their imagination and creative flair to design and present in their group an educational toy for children between the ages of 3-5.

The students had an awesome day out!

**Ms El Samman**



## Cheso Attendance News

Congratulations to the students who have achieved 100% Attendance for Term 3. All the students listed below will be receiving a Merit Award in Roll Call for their consistent dedication towards learning last term. Well Done!

Also, a reminder to Parents and Carers that all absent days must be explained with a Doctor's Certificate or an Absentee Form. Absentee Form booklets are available from the front office. Students should hand in their notes at Roll Call.

**Mrs L Langmack (Rlg HT Administration)**

Ha, Andrew	7
Huang, Cindy	7
Huynh, Henry	7
Liu, Gordon	7
Luong, Gordon	7
Moo, Gay Ku Moo	7
Nguyen, Andrew	7
Nhan, Lam	7
Paw, Sha Teep	7
Souly-Nguyen, Vanessa	7
Tran, Eric	7
Vu, Madison	7
Yal, Hsar Mu	7
Al Khazali, Mohamad	8
Dam, Andrew	8
Dinglasan, Dyllan	8
Dinh, Kevin	8
Doan, Jason	8
Doo, Ywar Hay Blu	8
Hoang, Yen	8
Huynh, Julie	8
Huynh, Kim	8
Joseph, Luke	8
Khuat, Don	8
Leota, Jay	8
Lwin, Washington	8
Pham, Antony	8
Saengsavath, Kenny	8
Tee Ra Cha, Cha	8
Thach, Kyllie	8

Thoo, Wee Thoo	8
Tjen, David	8
Tran, Dalena	8
Vu, Angella	8
Vu, Teressa	8
Ye, Alex	8
Chan, Winnie	9
Dam, Daison	9
Dao, Catherine	9
De Freitas-Antoine, Aaron	9
Dinh, Andrew	9
Do, Melissa	9
Duong, Trish	9
Heredia, Natalie	9
Khuat, Kent	9
Kotevski, Andre	9
Le, Tina	9
Le, Vina	9
Le, Wilson	9
Light, Lwee Moo	9
Mani, Amish	9
Ngo, William	9
Nguyen, Jennifer	9
Pedri, Lorenzo	9
Pham, Terry	9
Po, Annika	9
Tjen, Daniel	9
Tong, Kenny	9
Tran, Anthony	9

Tran, Kellie	9
Amiri, Fatima	10
Doo, Dee Elle See	10
Duong, Duy Khiem	10
Huynh, Kim	10
Le, John	10
Leota, Jake	10
Manumanunitoga, Kini	10
Nguyen, Andy	10
Nguyen, Kylin	10
Say, Sah Kue	10
Ta, Brendan	10
Tran, Vivian	10
Coughlin, Gabby	11
Eh, Paw K'Mu	11
Huang, Jocelyn	11
Huang, Shannon	11
Johnston, Alana	11
Kotevski, Adrian	11
Le, Elise	11
Li, Qinyu	11
Minett, Rhiannon	11
Nunez, Quinton	11
Pedri, Ricky	11
Sihapanyaxay, Mitchell	11
Thammavong, Julianne	11
Tran, Eric	11
Truong, Giau	11
Wah, Thay	11

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## Calendar of Events - Term 4 - 2015



Revised Calendar as @ 27.10.15

Week	Day	Date	Event
4B	Wednesday	28.10.15	* NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ONLINE <a href="http://www.chesterhillhighschool.com">www.chesterhillhighschool.com</a> -click on news-then newsletters
5A	Wednesday	4.11.15	* Year 10 Formal Examinations
			* COMBINED COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING, includes (Arabic, Vietnamese, Karen and Pacific Islander parents - 6.00pm
	Thursday	5.11.15	* Year 12 Sign-out day (Family Name beginning with A – L 9.15am) * Year 12 Sign-out day (Family Name beginning with M – Z 10.15am)
			* Year 10 Formal Examinations
	Friday	6.11.15	* Year 11 Presentation Day - 9.30am (Parents collect Reports)
			* Year Meetings
6B	Monday	9.11.15	* Year Meetings
	Thursday	12.11.15	* Peer Support
	Friday	13.11.15	* Peer Support
8B	Monday	23.11.15	* Year 10 Work Experience - all week 23/11 to 27/11
	Wednesday	25.11.15	* NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ONLINE <a href="http://www.chesterhillhighschool.com">www.chesterhillhighschool.com</a> -click on news-then newsletters
	Thursday	26.11.15	* Year Meetings ( <i>Clearance cards distributed to students</i> )
9A	Monday	30.11.15	* YEAR 7 WATER AWARENESS CLINIC
	Tuesday	1.12.15	* YEAR 7 WATER AWARENESS CLINIC
	Thursday	3.12.15	* YEAR 6 ORIENTATION DAY (9.00am)
			* Year 11 Bridging - Work Experience - all week - (7/12 - 11/12
10B	Monday	7.12.15	* Year 7 & 8 Presentation Day 9.30am
	Wednesday	9.12.15	* Year 11 PD/H/PE Crossroads Camp      ** 7V Camp
	Thursday	10.12.15	* Year 11 PD/H/PE Crossroads Camp      ** 7V Camp
			* Year 7-10 Parent/Teacher Meeting - 3.15pm - 6.00pm (Parents to collect reports)
	Friday	11.12.15	* Year 11 PD/H/PE Crossroads Camp      ** 7V Camp
			* Year 9 & 10 Presentation Day 9.30am
11A	Thursday	17.12.15	* School Development Day
	Friday	18.12.15	* School Development Day

\*\* Please Note: Dates/Times correct at time of publication\*\*

### REMINDERS

**\*\* 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.**

**\*\* Uniform shop hours are Tuesday, 8:30am—11:30am and Friday, 1:00pm-4:00pm.**

**\*\* MOBILE PHONES - must be switched off and in school bags at all times whilst on school premises or excursions.**