



Chatswood High School

INSPIRING EXCELLENCE - ACHIEVING SUCCESS

Term Dates >>>

Message from the Principal

Our school is at the heart of the community!

Term 3 Week 9	
Wed 18 – Fri 20 Sept	Yr 11 Examinations Yr 7 Geography Excursion Yr 12 HSC Music 2 Performance Examination
Wed 18 – Thurs 19 Sept	Yr 7 French Assessment SET Program
Friday 20 Sept	Yr 7 EAL/D Students Excursion to Chatswood Library Yr 10 Vaccinations Yr 10 English Assessment Presentation (selected classes only)
Term 3 Week 10	
Monday 23 Sept	Yr 12 Picnic Day Term Music Night
Tuesday 24 Sept	Yr 9 Eng E Excursion to Berry Island Reserve Yr 9 Science Yearly Exam Yr 10 English Assessment Presentation (selected classes only) Yr 12 Graduation Evening
Wednesday 25 Sept	Catholic Seminars (All Years) Yr 9 Science Yearly Exam RAISE Mentoring Yr 12 Wheelchair Push Yr 12 Graduation Evening
Thursday 26 Sept	Yr 12 Tutorials
Friday 27 Sept	Year 7-10 Engineering Day for Girls at Macquarie University Yr 11 Wellbeing Activity Day Yr 12 Ancient History Revision Last day of Term 3
Term 4 Week 1	
Monday 14 Oct	First day Term 4 (ALL Staff & Students)
Tues 15-Fri 18 Oct	Junior Concert Band

There has been a major revision of the Chatswood Education Precinct masterplan released today. In order to meet the needs of the students, current and future, across the two campuses, and to ensure that the project is able to be completed the project team have put forward the following changes:

- Chatswood Public School will remain on the Pacific Highway site
- Chatswood High School will remain on the Centennial Avenue site
- Chatswood High School existing hall and annex will remain during construction

For details relating to the latest announcement please see the attached information sheets.

I would like to thank the many members of the school's community who have taken an active interest in this project and I would like to invite all members of the school community to attend the next information session on Wednesday 16th October, 5-7pm in the Learning Space.

The last P&C meeting had a focus on digital devices in the school and in particular mobile phone use in the classroom. There was a shared sense of frustration from staff, parents and the two students who attended. We all agreed that mobiles phones, laptops and tablets in the classroom when not being used as a directed tool to enhance learning proved to be a major distraction.

The majority of the discussion time was spent reviewing programs designed to limit the impact of this technology in the classroom. One of the students who attended the meeting suggested that phones be banned in school, while other parents gave accounts of how mobile phone bans worked in schools that they were associated with. On reflection, banning mobile phones has not been the success hoped for in other settings.

There was an overwhelming consensus that we needed to enhance our wellbeing sessions regarding addiction to devices and how to reduce the impact on students and their learning. There was also an agreement that the school would enhance the messages to the incoming Year 7 that mobile phones are not allowed to be out in class. The third initiative was to investigate the use of mobile phone pouches that restrict access to the phone and the fourth item was to review the Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program that the school currently runs. This program facilitates the uses of personal electronic devices (laptop, tablet) in the classrooms. Some members of the junior school in particular are struggling with self-regulation in the classroom with respect to their digital device use.

I look forwards to working with the students, staff and parents to ensure that we ensure every opportunity for learning is taken within the school.

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I would like to congratulate Anthony Manns who won an individual silver medal and a group bronze medal at the recent Earth Sciences Olympiad held in The Republic of Korea. Anthony represented Australia in a team of four made of up students from across the country.

If you would like to read more about Anthony's success please follow the link below.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/news/latest-news/sydney-student-among-the-worlds-science-brains>

At the end of this term Mr Milenkovic, our Deputy Principal responsible for Years 7 and 9 this year will be retiring. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Milenkovic for his dedication, care and passion for education not only in this school but in all of the schools he has served in over his career. As a Deputy Principal there are many competing demands on your time within the school setting which Mr Milenkovic has managed while maintaining his absolute focus on ensuring that every student has access to high quality educational experiences while supporting many, many families across the school.

Mr Milenkovic is also the glue that binds out incredibly busy calendar together and variation to routine process together. On behalf of the broader school community I would like to pass on my thanks for the many years of dedication, enthusiasm and persistent compassion that has pervaded all of his interactions with the students.

David Osland
Principal

CHS P&C Update

Here's a quick update from your P&C.

RSL Community Grant Success- Wellbeing 2019/2020 funding

Many thanks to Sarah Boyd who has yet again succeeded in securing community grant funding from the local Chatswood RSL. This year the RSL has been **very generous** in providing over \$21,300 to help expand out CHS student centred wellbeing program.

We are currently working with the School leadership to start planning for these 2020 sessions.



Building work

Work to upgrade student toilets block has been completed following the installation of correct security grills recently. The final cost of this work was approx. \$155k was paid by the P&C from the Building fund. We are hoping to commence work to install 2 water bubblers near the oval ahead of summer. This project had been delayed due to uncertainty with the Chatswood Education Precinct planning. Thank you to Nigel Justins and the rest of the Building Committee for their consideration efforts to drive work for both these projects.

Chatswood Education Precinct – Update

In late July, Joe Grundy and I met with our local member Gladys Berejiklian to raise concerns on behalf of both the public and high schools.

Our key concerns included:

- the lack of adequate design for school halls during & post construction (highlighting HSC exam usage & lack of a fixed stage for CAPA performances)
- need to ensure adequate active play space and likely overcrowding for the public school
- split campus for high school and need to ensure adequate facilities exist on both Pacific Hwy and Centennial Ave locations for efficient function and timetabling
- the lack of meaningful engagement from the Project team and their failure to consult the community early in the project
- confidentially constraints faced by our representatives on the Project Reference Group.

I have also recently written to the NSW Minister for Education - Ms Sarah Mitchell - expressing similar concerns.

We will continue to be an active voice until the Dept. of Education listens to the local community and amends building design to meet our key demands.

Lynn Donohue
CHS P&C President

Uniform shop news

The reminder of the year is a busy time in preparation for Orientation Day for the year 7 class of 2020 and the transition of our current Year 9 into Year 10.

Year 9 Students

Year 9 students will move to senior school next year and will be required to wear the CHS Senior Uniform. The CHS Uniform Shop will have the Senior Uniform for sale in **October, 2019**.

We encourage all year 9 students returning to CHS in 2019, to purchase their uniform **during this month**. This will be the final month second hand uniforms are available for sale until February 2020.

CHS Uniform Shop has an appointment booking system for fitting the Senior Uniform.

Please use the following link to book a fitting appointment for your student:

<https://signup.zone/fitting-year10-2020>

The fitting will take place at the CHS Uniform shop Old Admin Building (**Block I**) next to the school hall.

Senior Boys Uniform	Senior Girl's Uniform
Senior Boys Shirt	Senior Girls' Blouse
Senior Knitwear (terracotta colour)	Senior Girls' Skirt
Senior Tie (Optional)	Girls Navy Pants
Senior Knitwear (terracotta colour)	
School Scarf	

The boys' shorts and trousers, girls' navy pants and the PE Uniform remain the same for junior and senior school. Senior Blazers (optional) are available on specified dates during the year in 2019.

Students needing special sizing in CHS uniform for example: extra small garments (size 8 and below) or extra-large garments (size 20 and above). Please come in early to place your order.

Online ordering:

Online Ordering is the quickest and easiest way to order your uniforms.

Follow the link to the CHS P&C online ordering website:

<http://shop.chspandc.org.au/>

Payments are accepted using PayPal.

Online orders may be collected from the Uniform Shop during opening hours on Thursdays. Remember this is every Thursday from 8am – 11:15am, for the rest of term.

Pick up is also available from the school office. The orders will be available **after midday each Thursday**. The orders are packed in the shop during opening hours then taken to the school office for pick up. You must specify “**pick up from the school office**” when placing your online order.

<http://www.chspandc.org.au/sub-committees/uniform-shop>

Uniform Shop Opening Hours and Dates

Term 4 2019 and Term 1 2020

Term 4 2019

Dates	Opening Hours	Notes
October		
Tuesday 15	8.00 to 11.30 am	
Thursday 17, 24, 31	8.00 to 11.15 am	
November		
Tuesday 5, 12, 19, 26	8.00 to 11.30 am	
Thursday 7, 14, 21, 28	8.00 to 11.15 am	
Saturday 30	8.00 to 12.00 pm	Appointment booking for fitting only.
December		
Tuesday 3	8.00 am to 2.00 pm	Orientation Day
Thursday 5	8.00 to 11.15 am	Last Day Opening

Term 1 2020

Dates	Opening Hours	Notes
January		
Tuesday 28	8.00 to 12.00 pm	Student Free Day (All Staff Return)
Wednesday 29	8.00 am to 12.00 pm	Year 7, 11, 12 and New Students
Thursday 30	8.00 am to 12.00 pm	All Student Return
February		
Tuesday 4, 11, 18, 25	8.00 to 11.30 am	
Thursday 6, 13, 20, 27	8.00 to 11.15 am	

Thereafter will be every Thursday
Opening Hours 8.00 am to 11.15 am

Uniform Shop Committee

Tell Them from Me “Parent” Survey

Parent FAQ document for the parent survey:

https://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/images/FAQs/TTFM_Parent_Survey_FAQs_Parent_and_Carers_T3_2019.pdf

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents’ and carers’ perspectives on their child’s experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school’s support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online on smartphones, iPads, tablets, laptops or computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 26 August and 25 October. Although participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, your responses are very much appreciated.

Our school will provide further information about how to access the survey. In the meantime, more information about the survey is available at:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/>

The survey is available in 23 languages.

Please see the attached document with information on the student survey

Den Milenkovic
Deputy Principal

Lost Property

Lost property is kept in the school Library. Any valuables that are found are handed in to the front office.

Currently there is a large amount of clothing in lost property. In order to avoid this, please label all clothing so that if they are misplaced they can be returned quickly.

Yr 12 Events

With our Year 12 students in their final weeks of high school, we would like to inform you of the planned events to be conducted in Week 10 Term 3 and after the completion of the Higher School Examinations.

Formal Graduation: *Lindfield Learning Village - parents and family welcome.*

Date: Tuesday 24th September 2019

Time: 5:20pm arrival for 6:00pm start

Address: 100 Eton Rd, Lindfield NSW 2070, Link to

map: <https://goo.gl/maps/5fvo2fyEs9RdoGDr9>

All parents and family members are invited to attend this evening.

Final Assembly and Wheelchair Push: *CHS to Royal North Shore - students only*

Date: Wednesday 25th September 2019

Time: 8:50am to 1:30pm

Location: Chatswood High School to Royal North Shore

Year 12 students will fundraise to support the Paediatric Unit at the Royal North Shore Hospital. This fundraising activity includes a walk by the Class of 2019 from Chatswood High School to the Royal North Shore Hospital. If you would like to donate to this worthy cause, please do so using the following link:

<https://kolling.com.au/chscharitywalk2019/>

We thank you for your continued support and look forward to celebrating the many achievements of the Class of 2019.

Mr E Mehmet
Yr 12 Year Advisor

Year 12 Fundraising BBQ

A scorching 27 degree, sunny Friday lunch created the perfect environment for students to come and purchase a sausage sandwich and refreshments for the annual wheelchair push fundraiser. The Wheelchair Push fundraiser is an initiative run by the Class of 2019. The charitable event aims to raise money for the Paediatric Unit at the Royal North Shore Hospital. Money is used to support young children who are unable to achieve their education due to medical misfortune. On Wednesday the 25th of September, the cohort will be “clapped” out from the school for the last time and walk to the Royal North Shore Hospital. An incredible \$1126 was collected from the BBQ sale, and all profits will be donated. If you would like to support this foundation, please give using the link below.

<https://kolling.com.au/chscharitywalk2019/>



Written By David Brewis Yr 12

Hannah Anh & Bagavathy Menon

Congratulations to Hannah Anh and Bagavathy Menon who have been featured on ABC News for their business idea 'Yakka', matching students to businesses for worthwhile work experience.

See full article: <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-08-21/teen-matchmakers-are-helping-fix-work-experience-placements/11426702>

The yakka website is: <https://www.getyakka.com/>

Year 10 Macbeth Excursion to Opera House

As a student studying *Macbeth* in Year 10, it was a wonderful experience to venture to the Sydney Opera House on Friday the 16th of August to watch a production of William Shakespeare's tragedy *Macbeth*. It was a great excursion to enhance my learning on the unit by viewing the play as a live performance. The classes attending caught a train to the city and walked to the Opera House. It was a beautiful day as the sun blazed down on us from clear blue skies. It was great to stroll up to the Opera House and view the famous sails, before sitting on the Opera House steps where we had a marvellous view of the Sydney CBD and the Harbour Bridge. The production was performed by Sydney's own Bell Shakespeare who put on an innovative performance, creating their own twists to craft an intriguing version of the iconic play. The production utilised projection technology to project images of characters

(including the infamous Weird Sisters) from the play to create their unique 90 minute version of *Macbeth*. A huge thanks must be made to the English staff who attended: Ms Lloyd-Green, Mr Jebakumar and Mr Kinead, who organised the excursion.



Written by Peter Stanfield Yr 10

Debating News

Congratulations to Chatswood's Year 10 debating team which competed in the quarter final in the Premier's Debating Challenge. Chatswood won all three debates against competing schools in their zone to qualify for the quarter final. Chatswood's team lost to Asquith Girls High School in a closely contested debate arguing "That combat sports should be banned" with Chatswood the affirmative side. Our speakers were Mahima Parthasarathy, Rohan Rajeevan, Vera Verbina and Teresa Nidhiry. The team had won debates against Davidson High School, Northern Beaches College Mackellar Girls and Killarney Heights High School during the Zone 2 competition.

Our Year 7 and Year 8 teams hosted the second round of debates in the Premier's Debating Challenge this month welcoming Years 7 and 8 teams from North Sydney Girls. The Year 7 team argued well on the affirmative side "That we should ban violent video games" but lost to the visiting team. Chatswood speakers were Ryan Sachi, Tanvi Sharma, Dihan Sachi and Aarzu Patni was fourth speaker.

Chatswood's Year 8 team was headed by Dominic Hung as first speaker, arguing the negative case "That we should ban anonymity online". Our following speakers were Anna Lucas, Adrian Liu and Abtin Moghdam as fourth speaker. Our speakers argued it would be difficult to enforce such a law and anonymity protected the privacy and personal safety of users from on-line bullying and hackers. However, North Sydney Girls won this debate. Chatswood's Year 7 and 8 teams will travel to Killarney Heights High School this month for their third round in this competition. In other news, Jack Chalkley and Marcelo Gonzalez-Danke both from year 12 continued the on-going friendly interschool relationship with Mowbray Public School by providing their expert adjudicating skills during the public school's debating competition with visiting schools. Jack and Marcelo have graciously given up their precious school time while busily studying for their HSC in the last weeks of term 3 to travel to Mowbray Public where they have been showered with praise and gratitude from the students and teachers for their services. Their other reward was lots of yummy home baked cookies and slices provided by the grateful parents.



*Ms J Davis
Debating Coordinator*

China Day

On August 21 Year 9 Chinese students and the Chatswood High Confucius dance group went to the annual China day run by the Confucius Classroom. We attended workshops and watched wonderful performance by Chinese students from other schools and the performers from China,

Workshop

On China day we had workshops of paper folding where we made paper boats and hearts. Another workshop was learning to use chopsticks. Then we had a fun game of moving ping pong balls from a container into an egg carton using chopsticks, which isn't as easy as it sounds. We also learned to play the traditional Chinese shuttlecock and Chinese diablos.



Performances

This year's China day was MCd by two of Chatswood High students Nicolas Psaltis and Niki Goodarzi. The audience was amazed by their fluent and authentic Chinese pronunciation. After entering the hall the Australian and Chinese national anthem was played, and then we watched 16 performances from different schools all over NSW. Our very own Chatswood High School performed a beautiful and impressive umbrella dance. Our principal Mr David Osland spoke on behalf of the NSW school, recognising the hard work and contribution that volunteer teachers from Confucius classroom did. It was a fun day for us.



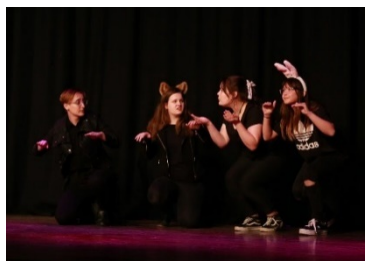


Written by Nicolas Psaltis yr 9

CAPA Week

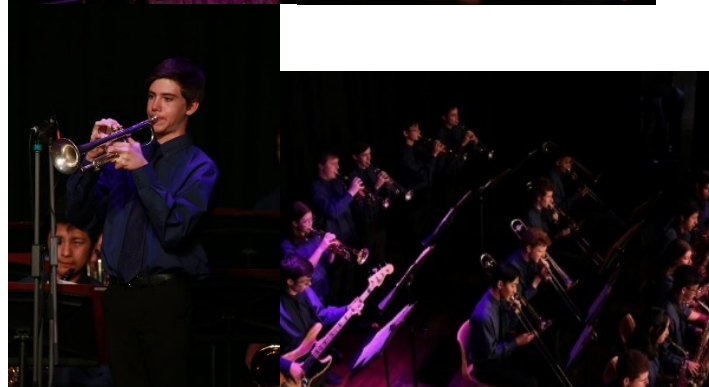
Drama Night

Every year the Creative and Performing Arts faculty organise a myriad of performances and exhibitions to showcase the work of our talented students. This year has been so large that we have witnessed CAPA week spill over into a few weeks. Beginning with an outstanding night of Drama, Ms Berry's classes performed individually and in groups. The HSC students excelled with standout performances from Ravel Balkus, William Gregory and Luca Lego in their group devised piece *The Empire State*. In Year 11, Caitlin Gibbs script performed by Freya Moore, Sam Cardew, Julian Dunne, Simon Ward and Tian Lin was exemplary. Year 9 students Nina Jayengrani and Abigail Pierce, also gave standout performances.



Emma Pask Concert

On Sunday August 25th, Chatswood High School presented an afternoon of music starring Emma Pask and the Emma Pask Quartet. An outstanding concert that also featured our own Big Band 1 who played several pieces with Emma. The first half of the afternoon was all about the Chatswood High Music Program, with performances from our Orchestra, Senior Vocal ensemble and Wind Orchestra who played the Premier of *Chattie's Wood*, a composition composed by Brendan Collins along with our 2019 Music 2 class and commissioned by our music program. VIP guests were treated to a special interval afternoon tea thanks to the amazing Music Program Parent Committee. Thank you to Doug and Jeremy Cardew for organising lighting, sound and a professional film crew. We also had out new photography team taking some amazing photos. All in all this was an amazing concert organised by Mr Gavin Staines and Ms Stephanie Sexton. Congratulations to all students, teachers and parents involved in making this event amazing.



HSC Music 1 Concert

On Tuesday September 03, Ms Stella Levinsky invited parents of the students studying HSC Music 1 to perform for them. It was the last opportunity for the students to perform in front of an audience before their HSC exams September 09. The quality of the performances were outstanding and there was a diverse array of genres performed from classical pieces performed by Tobias Puckeridge (Tuba)

and Dhruvik Balsara (Trombone) to rock classics performed by Caelan Irrgang, Noah Hill, Lachlan Hore, Alex Coady and Jove Juanda. Caelan's Dad also lent his voice singing the Darkness classic *I believe in a thing Called Love* and backed his son playing bass. Standout performances on the night were Caelan Irrgang and Lucien Noel. Well done to all who performed on the night.

Art Exhibition

This year the Art Exhibition featured work from our HSC Visual Arts, Multimedia and Timber students. Opening on September 04, the art show is one of the many highlights on the Chatswood High School calendar. More than 800 artworks were on display including at least one artwork from almost every year 7 and 8 student, multiple artworks from our Years 9, 10 and 11 elective Visual Arts, Photographic and Digital Media and Information Software Technologies students. HSC students presented their Body of Work in Visual Arts and Major Projects in the Industrial Technology courses with a portfolio. The entire exhibition was curated by Ms Perry and her wonderful gallery assistants for the Year 9 Visual Arts and Photography classes. All teachers and students who helped to put the show together are to be congratulated on an amazing event.

On opening night Mr Richard McKay gave the opening address, introducing our guest speaker Australian contemporary artist, Agatha Gove-Snape. Agatha spoke about the importance of art on society and about how all human beings have an inner artist whether it be subconscious or more obviously on display through the act of art making. I then took the opportunity to address the HSC students and 1st in course in Visual Arts was announced. Congratulations to Simon Harris who has been tenacious in his approach to his Visual Arts studies. All students were then invited to the stage to be congratulated for their efforts.

On Thursday all teachers and SASS staff were invited to a morning tea, giving them time to view the artworks. Senior Executive and Year Advisors were asked to present awards to students for their outstanding artworks. This year Alex Coady and Calista Rees took out the prestigious Principal Award.

The CAPA staff would like to thank the P&C for financing the catering and the Parents who organised the serving of the food, tea and coffee including: Jane Stergio, Sarah Boyd, Emma-Jane O'Donoghue and Anita Justins. We would also like to acknowledge the work of Tommy Yang on sound and lighting and the musicians who performed, Henry Howard, Gregory Fox, and Ravel Balkus.

HSC Visual Arts



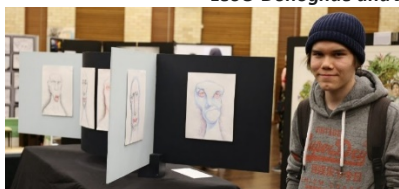
Simon Harris and Caitlin Lee



Calista Rees and Xavier South



Leo O'Donoghue and James Beltran



Alex Coady



Tegan Keevers

Industrial Technology Timber Furniture



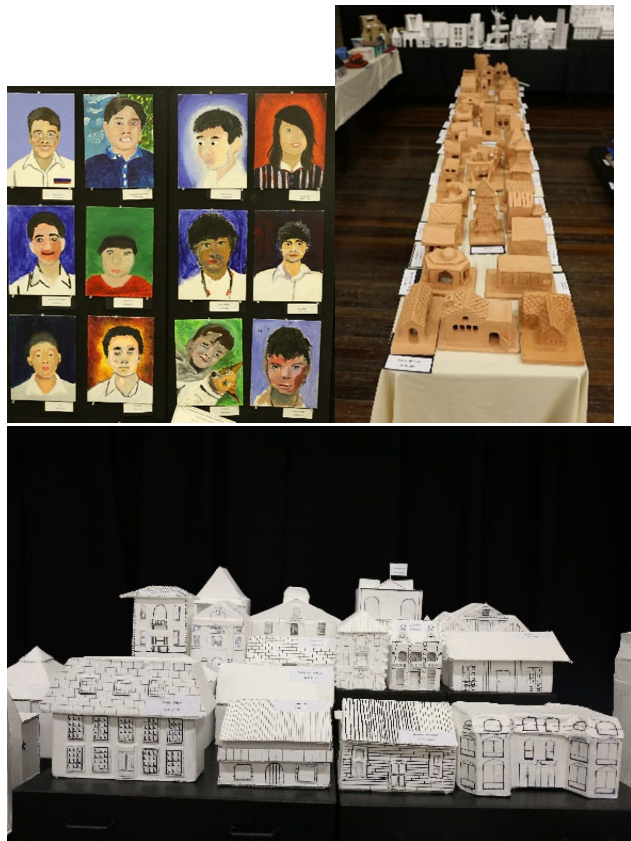
Tegan Keevers, Leah Patterson and Yohan Song



Thea Sison, Tobias Puckeridge and Tim Taylor Art Show



Amanda Mascato and Cambre Turner Year 7



Primary Schools Music Festival

To finish week 7, Mr Gavin Staines organised and hosted his annual Music Festival for primary school concert bands. Over 2500 students performed and it was a fantastic weekend of music. Schools were invited to participate with adjudication from two leading Music directors: Jamez Brice from Knox Grammar and Jamie Watkins from Roseville College. CHS students from the Wind Orchestra assisted in the organisation over the weekend and the Music Program Parent Committee organised the fundraising stalls. Not only was the festival a successful weekend of music but I would like to congratulate Mr Staines, the Parent Committee, Ms Sexton and Wind Orchestra parents and student helpers for their fundraising efforts with over \$10,000 raised.

Music 2 HSC Performance Concert

On Monday September 09, Ms Marson organised for our Music 2 HSC students to perform in front of their close family and friends. The intimate concert showcased our very best musicians and each piece was exceptional. The standard of the performances were outstanding and it was fantastic to see students working together to either in the form of a small ensemble or as accompaniment. Thank you to the students from Big Band 1 who accompany quite a few students.



Anna Naritsuka-Hayler, Henry Howard & Evie Griffiths

After a full and extensive Term 3 program the CAPA faculty will present one more event this term, Term Music Night Monday September 23 in the hall. On behalf of the CAPA faculty, I would like to thank all students, parents and teachers who have participated in our programs, concerts and exhibitions. We are incredibly proud of the students efforts and would like to wish all year 12 students the very best in their upcoming examinations.

Ms Ward
Head Teacher CAPA



Sport News

Nine students from Chatswood competed at the State championships at Sydney Olympic Park over a three day period in week 2. The school would like to congratulate the students on their amazing results:

Daniel White, Luke Kwon, Dylan Ngo and Fredrick Tan –
Placed 4th in 4x100 Relay (13 Yrs) (pictured)
Charlie Roughan – Placed 7th 80m Hurdles (13 Yrs)
Taj Maeli – Placed 3rd Shot Put (12 Yrs) (pictured)
Zane Newton- 5th 100m AWD (12-15 Yrs), 7th 100m AWD (12-15 Yrs), 4th Long Jump AWD (12-15 Yrs)
Cormac Morrison – 6th Long Jump (14 Yrs)
Levi Clapham – 6th Shot Put AWD (12-15 Yrs), 7th Discus AWD (12-15 Yrs)

Meanwhile at the State Schools Orienteering Championships in Mittagong over the week, three Chatswood High School students performed remarkably well:

Andra Leung - 2nd in W16 (Short course)
Jamie Marsh - 2nd in M13 (Short course) and 3rd in M13 (Middle Distance) - (pictured)
Will Steward - 8th in M13 (Middle Distance)



We hope you all have a safe & restful holiday!

School resumes on Monday 14th October for all staff & students