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## 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 5	
Mon 19 August	. Selective & G&T Testing . Yr 12 Drama Assessment
Tues 20 August	. Yr 7 Ancient History Day . Yr 9 Maths & Drama Assessment . Yr 11 Burn Bright Leadership Program . Senior Jazz Combo Workshop
Wed 21 - 23 August	. Ski Trip
Wed 21 August	. RAISE Mentoring . Catholic Seminars . Yrs 8/9 China Day . Yr 9 Drama Assessment . Yr 12 Modern History Assessment
Thurs 22 August	. Yr 9 students to Lysicrates awards Parramatta . Yr 10 Quarterfinal Premier's debating challenge . Jazz Workshop with Sheryl Bailey
Fri 23 August	. Yr 11 Psychology Assessment . Yr 12 Legal Studies Excursion . Ooarai High School Visit from Japan . Wind Orchestra Workshop . Drama Night
Term 3 Week 6	
Mon 26 August	. Yr 7 History Assessment . Yr 10 Maths Assessment
Mon 26 Aug – Fri 6 Sept	. Yr 11 Blackout Period
Tues 27 August	. Yr 10 English, French & Japanese Assessment . School Tour
Wed 28 August	. RAISE Mentoring . Yr 10 French & Japanese Assessment
Fri 30 August	. 2 x 3 Concert . Yr 10 Japanese Assessment . Wear it Purple Day

In this issue of the school's newsletter I have included information about the HSC Minimum Standards and the latest update from the Chatswood Education Precinct program.

The HSC Minimum Standards is a program that ensures all students sitting for the HSC have a minimum level of ability in literacy and numeracy. From 2020 students wishing to receive a HSC will need to demonstrate that they have met a minimum standard of literacy and numeracy. It is important that you read the information sheet included in this newsletter. This is the initial introduction to this new program for students and will be followed up with presentations to students and opportunities for families to become better acquainted with these new requirements.

The Chatswood Education Precinct update outlines the next two stages of this exciting project. The update identifies the movement of a group of demountable classrooms located near the oval to make room for the development of a new building. This building will initially be used to assist with housing some of the primary students from Pacific Highway site.

We celebrated National Science week last week culminating in an expo in the Learning Space. I would like to thank Mr Moodley for coordinating the activities throughout the week. The students I spoke with were extremely passionate about their projects and prepared to explain and discuss the concepts behind the information.

There are two performances coming up at the end of this week with the Drama students presenting their HSC major works on Friday evening and co-curricular music program performing with Emma Pask on Sunday at 2:00pm in the school hall. Both performances provide valuable opportunities for our students to develop and test their skills and for those performing with Emma, it is an amazing opportunity to work with a professional musician.

At the recent P&C meeting we reviewed a number of projects with the refurbishment of the boys and girls toilets wrapping up. I would like to thank the P&C and in particular the Building Committee led by Nigel Justins. The toilets have new lights, paint, hand dryers and external screens. It was a large investment by the P&C and it should be recognised as providing a positive improvement to the students' daily lives at the school.

Recently we ran workshops for Year 9 in the area of respectful relationships with a parent session in the evening. This part of the joint school and P&C partnership to bring targeted wellbeing learning opportunities for students and parents.

The next P&C meeting will be focussing on the role of technology in the daily lives of students. Please come along if you like to discuss this interesting topic, listen to the views of others and hear what the current research undertaken by the NSW Department of Education says about technology use in schools.

**David Osland**  
Principal

## CHS P&C Update

### Well-being events

Vanessa Hamilton returned to CHS on August 5 & 6 to speak to all our year 9 students on **Sexual health and respectful relationships**. About 35 parents also came along to the evening parent only - session (open to local community and neighbouring schools). This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> year the P&C has hosted this successful wellbeing event.

The sessions were well received by students and parents as Vanessa always delivers the message in a way we can “really” hear and with hints on how we talk to our children about this vital subject. If you missed the session, please have a look at resource on our [P&C website – parent resources](http://www.talkingthetalksexed.com.au/) or <http://www.talkingthetalksexed.com.au/>

### RSL Community Grant Success

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 \$21,000 to help expand out CHS student centred wellbeing program.

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

We'd love to hear from you. Do you have any suggestions for new topics or speakers? If so, please let us know by contacting the [CHS P&C](#), so we can explore for next year's wellbeing program.

### Chatswood Education Precinct – Update

At the June P&C meeting, we supported the formation of a Parent Active Group (representing both public and high school) to elevate concerns raised during the recent Community Information sessions held in term 2. Expect to hear more from this group shortly.

In the meantime, we maintain a voice at the Project Reference Group (PRG) via our 2 CHS P&C representatives. Separately, I have also met with and I also sent a follow-up email to the PRG project manager expressing our key concerns. Key concerns included: the lack of adequate school halls during & post construction (highlighting HSC exam usage & lack of a fixed stage for CAPA performances) and ensuring adequate active play space will exist for both schools. We are hopeful the Dept. of Education will listen to the local community and will soon confirm they are amending plans to accommodate some of our key demands.

In addition, I have organised a meeting with Gladys Berejiklian in late August, along with the CPS P&C President, to further express our concerns.

We still need your voice to escalate our concerns for this project. Now is the time to do it. All comments and feedback on the project can be directed to the following email address: [schoolinfrastructure@det.com.au](mailto:schoolinfrastructure@det.com.au). The DET must respond to every email, so the more emails they receive on an issue, the more likely it is that these concerns will be addressed.

Have you signed the CHS Music Committee [petition](#) raising issues on the CEP relating to the CHS hall on the music program? This has attracted a huge response with over 3,500 signatures. It is still live, so please sign it if you agree with the concerns raised.

**Lyn Donohue**  
**P&C President**

## Chatswood High School P&C Uniform Shop New Students, 2020

Welcome to Chatswood High School. School Uniform is mandatory at Chatswood High School. All students are required to wear the correct school uniform.  
Suggested purchase for year 7 student **Summer Uniform**:

For Boys		For Girls	
3 Junior Boy Shirts @\$26 each	\$78	3 Summer Dress @\$60 each	\$180
2 pair Boys Charcoal Shorts	\$90	2 Unisex PE Polo	\$72
2 Unisex PE Polo	\$72	1 Unisex PE Shorts	\$32
1 Unisex PE Shorts	\$32	1 School Cap	\$10
1 School Cap	\$10	1 School Bag (Optional)	\$65
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$347</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$359</b>

Please note, there is no restriction on the number of garments you can purchase.

### Special sizing:

Students needing special sizing, please order as early as possible. A separate order will be placed, which takes additional time to fill. Special sizing includes: all extra small garments (size 6 and below), all extra-large garments (size 20 and above), and any student with special requirements.

### School Uniform Fittings

**It is recommended that students come to the Uniform Shop for a fitting to get the correct sizes.**

Fittings can be arranged by three methods:

1. Booking an appointment online using the following link:

<https://signup.zone/fittings-newstudent-2020>

The fitting will take place at the CHS Uniform shop in Block I (Admin Block – next to the school Hall)

2. Alternatively, visit the Uniform Shop during opening hours, and queue for a fitting (this may require a substantial waiting time as all booked appointments will take preference).

3. Fittings are also available on Orientation Day (this may require a substantial waiting time to queue for a fitting and uniform purchase).

Uniform Shop opening hours are available on the CHS P&C Website at [www.chspandc.org.au](http://www.chspandc.org.au)

CHS P&C Uniform shop has an online store for purchasing uniforms

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

Measure your child at home and select the appropriate size using the online measurement charts.

Other items, including **winter garments**, can be purchased at your convenience:

Boys		Unisex	
Boys Charcoal Trousers	\$50	Junior Navy Knitwear - woollen or polycotton	From \$69
<b>Girls</b>		School scarf (Optional)	\$25
Winter Tunic	\$60	Track Pants (Optional)	\$50
Winter Long Sleeve Shirt	\$26	Track Jacket (Optional)	\$74
Girls Navy Pants (Optional)	\$50		
Girls Navy Tights	\$8	Music polo top (for students in the band or string ensemble)	\$35

For more information:

Website: [www.chspandc.org.au](http://www.chspandc.org.au)

Email: [uniformshop@chspandc.org.au](mailto:uniformshop@chspandc.org.au)

## Community Volunteer HSC Reader/Writer Required

We need a volunteer to read and write for an HSC student during his exams in October and November. There are five exams in total, each exam about 3 ½ hours long.

If you know someone who is interested in helping out, please contact Ms Manson via the school email [chatswood-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:chatswood-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

**Ms Manson**  
**Deputy**

## 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](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/carers 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/>

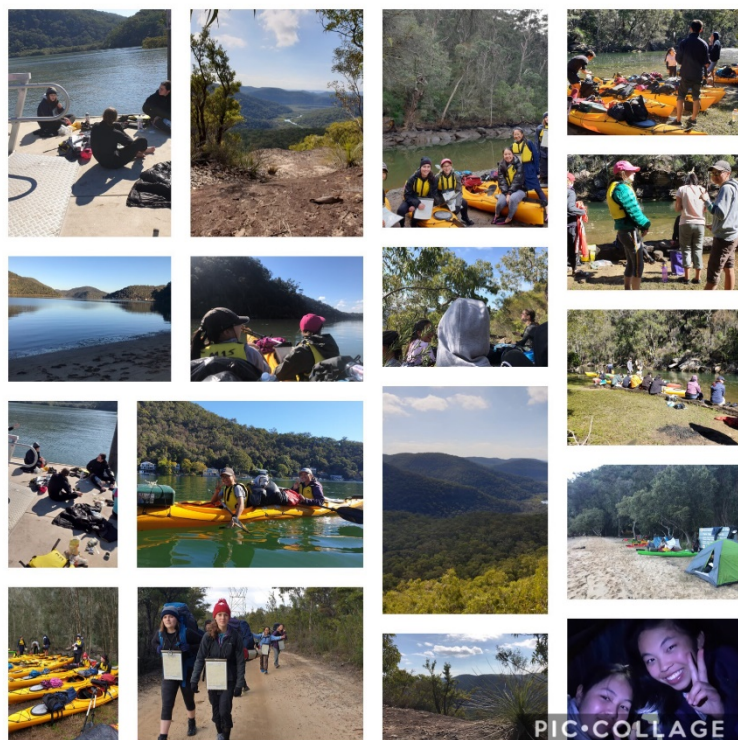
*The survey is available in 23 languages.*

Please see the attached document with information on the student survey

**Den Milenkovic**  
**Deputy Principal**

## The Duke of Edinburgh Award at CHS

Recently, in chilly conditions our Silver Duke of Edinburgh students completed their Silver Qualifying Pack and Paddle in the Marramorra National Park. The team of 10 over 3-days combined hiking and paddling along the Hawkesbury River and Berowra Creek. Carrying packs equipped with the right equipment, setting up camp, cooking meals, and route planning to navigate their next destination are the challenges this capable group of students overcame. This completes the Adventurous Journey section of their Silver award, setting them up well to commence the prestigious Gold award in 2020.



**Vicki Busse**  
**Teacher / Duke of Edinburgh Award Leader**

## A Showcase of Music featuring EMMA PASK.

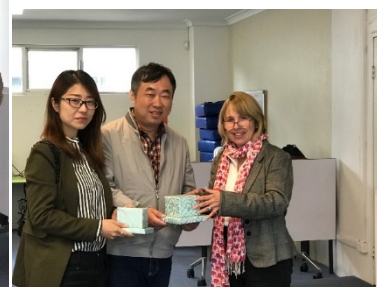
Renown Australian Jazz vocalist and "The Voice" contestant Emma Pask will join the CHS Big Band, Wind Orchestra, Senior Vocal Ensemble and Symphonic Orchestra for a showcase of outstanding music on Sunday 25th of August. At just \$20 a ticket (\$10 concession, \$40 VIP), this is a fantastic opportunity to see a truly professional jazz trio at an incredible price. Please come and support our music program at this exciting event. Tickets available through Trybooking at <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=519021&>. See attached poster for details.

Also attached are the Music Program term dates.

**Ms Sexton**  
**CAPA**

## Sister School Visit

19 students and 2 teachers from Yanzi High School in Nanjing, China visited our school on 02/08/2019. In periods 2 and 3, the students followed their pen friends to their usual classes and the two accompanying teachers also sat in Mr. Bugden & Ms Davis' classes to experience the Australian curriculum and teaching styles.



In period 4, all the participating students from our two Year 9 Chinese classes came to the Learning Space for the opening ceremony. The deputy principal Ms. Manson gave a speech to welcome the students and teachers from the sister school. Our Year 10 student, Ethan Wong, also shared his experience of the sister school visit from last year.

Our Year 10 Chinese language students designed a set of questions in Chinese on Kahoot to gauge the Chinese students' knowledge about Australia. They also organised a three-legs race to enhance the bonding between the pen friends.







All participants had group photos taken at the school's front gate after lunch. The feedback from the students were very positive. Our students made good use their Chinese language skills to explain to their pen friends what the teaching was about in the classrooms and what they were instructed to in the activities. They also used Chinese in the design of the Kahoot questions. Participating students benefited from the opportunity of using Chinese in real-life situations as well as developing intercultural communication skills.



**LOTE Staff**

## Sushi Day

In Week 9 Term 2 we had a sushi day for Year 8 Japanese language students. Local renowned Japanese culinary chef Dekura sensei and his assistant visited the school to do demonstration classes in sushi roll making and the students participated in a sushi workshop.



**Ms Robson  
LOTE**

## Economics Industry Lunch



On Thursday, the 25th of July 2019, nine Year 11 Economics students and Ms Quick were privileged enough to attend the Anika Foundation Luncheon, the only NSW Public High School group of eight high schools invited to attend. Held at the Westin, the luncheon is an industry event hosted by the Australian Business Economists and NAB featuring the opportunity to hear from the Governor of the Reserve Bank of Australia, Dr Philip Lowe.

In his presentation titled, 'Inflation Targeting and Economic Welfare'. Dr Lowe addressed two specific questions. Firstly, why is inflation so low globally and in Australia?

Dr Lowe explained that there is no single explanation/factor of why inflation was so low. However it's based around 3 main factors:

- Credibility of the current monetary frameworks;
- the continuing existence of spare capacity in parts of the global economy;
- Structural factors related to technology and globalisation.

The second questions was, is inflation targeting still appropriate in this low inflation world? In short Lowe agreed that it was still appropriate. Lowe believes that an inflation targeting regime should consist of 4 elements: The inflation targeting regime should establish a clear and credible medium-term nominal anchor for the economy.

- The inflation target should be nested within the broader objective of welfare maximisation
- The inflation target should have a degree of flexibility
- The inflation target needs to be accompanied by a high level of accountability and transparency.

After addressing those two questions Lowe then goes on to discuss recent inflation outcomes and monetary policy. He noted that employment growth has been stronger, and participation rate is risen by 1.5 %. He also explained the two recent reductions in the cash rate will support demand in the Australian economy which

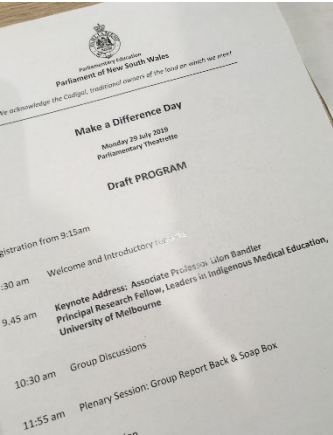


will then influence economic growth. After this section, he allowed questions from the audience.

All in all this was a great opportunity for students as this has extended and solidified their understanding of economics.

Matthew Leung

Make a Difference Day



On the 29th of August, two students from Chatswood High School visited the NSW Parliament for Make a Difference Day. This civics and citizenship program was run by Parliamentary Education, held to help students develop knowledge and understanding of Australian democracy and the rights and responsibilities of Australian citizenship. The day began with a keynote address from Associate Professor Lilon Bandler who is a Leader in Indigenous Medical Education Network Principal Fellow at the University of Melbourne. Lilon Bandler talked about her values such as social justice and

racism and encouraged and inspired us to take action in our communities. Afterwards, we split into discussion groups and discussed current issues such as climate change, racism and discrimination. Our group focused on anti-vaccines and came up with a plebiscite question; “Should vaccinations be compulsory for all children?”. We also discussed what a punishment for not following this law should be and how to make the consequence equal to the action. To conclude the day, all the groups presented their ideas and shared opinions. Thanks for taking us Ms Quick!!!



Georgia Widjaja

Jersey Day

On Friday August 16<sup>th</sup>, Chatswood High School celebrated Jersey Day which raises awareness of organ donation. Students were given the opportunity to wear a sports jersey to school to show their support. A number of fun activities including a staff vs student AFL game, raffles and kicking competition were held throughout the day to raise funds for the cause. As a school, Chatswood raised over \$350 for the charity.



S Abernethy

Art Show 2019

CHATSWOOD HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL

ART  
SHOW  
2019



**WHERE?**  
CHATSWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

**When?**  
**4th-6th September 2019**

**Opening Hours**  
Wednesday **4th** 3.30pm-8.30pm  
Official Opening @ 6pm  
Guest Speaker: Agatha Gothe-Snape  
Thursday **5th** 8am-6pm  
Friday **6th** 8am-10.30am

*Featuring HSC work from Visual Arts, Industrial Technology, Multimedia and Timber*

*Above: HSC submission by Marissa Wong*

Ms Ward  
CAPA

## Sport News

### Year 7 Gala Day – August 14th

On August 14<sup>th</sup>, year 7 participated in the Ku Ring Gai Zone gala day along with 7 other local schools. This was a fantastic experience for our students to learn new sports and build connections with their peers. Chatswood High School had some fantastic results on the day with the Boys Football, Basketball and Frisbee being crowned champions on the day. I would also like to acknowledge the efforts of the Girls Netball team who made the Grand final on the day.



### National Frisbee Success!!

Edison Wong, Ashley Pastars, Megan Lee and Lucien Noel recently were selected to represent New South Wales in the 2019 Australian Youth Ultimate Championships, an annual under 18's ultimate Frisbee event. Edison, Ashley and Lucien (as captain) represented the boy's team and Megan represented the girls team. The NSW girls won gold defeating ACT in the final 15-8, and the boys also won gold (for the second year in a row), beating Victoria 12-11. I was also awarded the men's division MVP. Here are the links to the games:

- Girls: <https://youtu.be/psLzgissLWc>

- Boys: <https://youtu.be/scXAHQEZM2A>

Furthermore, Edison, Megan and Lucien were selected to represent the Under 18 Australian national boys and girls teams at the 2019 Asian Flying Disc Federation (AFDA) Junior Masters Ultimate Championships (JMUC) to be held in Manila, Philippines, 13-15 December 2019.

Congratulations to all four students on an unbelievable achievement



*S Abernethy  
Sports Organiser*

### Chloe Soenario - Rhythmic Gymnastics

On Tuesday 6/8/19, Chloe Soenario (7A) travelled up to Glendale near Newcastle to represent Sydney North in the CHS Gymnastics Championships. Chloe's phenomenal performance in rhythmic gymnastics (which consists of hand held apparatus) saw her win gold in the all-around, scoring a total of 27.458. She also placed first in all apparatus, taking home another 3 gold medals!! A huge congratulations to Chloe!