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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 2 Week 10	
Wednesday 3 July	Yr 7 Science Assessment
	(7A, 7B & 7C)
	Yr 8 Project Rockit
	Yr 11 Minimum Standards Exams
	Yr 12 Extension History Assessment
	Catholic Seminars
	RAISE Mentoring
	Investiture Assembly
	French Festival
	NS5 Careers Expo
Thursday 4 July	Yr 11 Minimum Standards Exams
	Yr 12 Visual Arts
	Assessment
	Yr 12 Physics Assessment
Friday 5 July	Yr 10 PCYC Fit for Change
	Yr 12 Music Performance
	Last day of Term 2
Term 3 Week 1 Monday 22 July	Staff Development Day – NO STUDENTS
Tuesday 23 July	All Students Return to School
	Yr 8 Web Choices OPEN
	Yr 12 Music 2 Assessment
Tuesday 23-31 July	Year 12 Blackout Period
Wednesday 24 July	Yr 11 RYDA Excursion
	RAISE Mentoring
Friday 26 July	Yr 8 Web Choices CLOSE
	Barista Training

This morning I had the pleasure of attending the investiture assembly for our new student leaders. The Year 11 students inducted this morning were voted in by their peers and the staff and represent a proad cross section of our community. In the last issue of this newsletter I thanked the outgoing eaders and reflected on their achievements throughout the year. The impact of a strong student eadership team cannot be underestimated. They complement the goals outlined in the school plan and add significant layers of support across the school in general. I look forward to working with our new leadership team. The full list of successful candidates has been published later in this edition.

The other major indicator that we are in a time of renewal in the yearly cycle of the school are the subject information sessions for Years 8 and 10 students and their parents that have taken place recently. These sessions are the first stage of exciting changes that are ahead for these groups. As we watch and participate in the growth of young people we note that as they mature we gradually provide them with increasing levels of autonomy. The choosing of electives for Year 9 and the choice of subjects for Year 11 are outward signs of this developing autonomy.

There are many elements of individual choice across all subjects that are currently being used to develop the intrinsic motivation of students across the school. As part of the Chatswood Education Precinct redevelopment, I have commenced working with the staff to identify opportunities that will allow us to focus on teaching and learning rather than concentrating on the build and associated changes to rooming and well known teaching rooms.

The build will present challenges for us all but my goal will be to limit outward impacts on students while developing and leveraging opportunities for a positive change to students lives. The first stage of direct impact on the school as a result of this project will be the installation of 14 demountable classrooms on the staff carpark. The project team have indicated that they will be building the new plock that is adjacent to M Block as the first stage of the project.

would like to acknowledge two teachers who have been successful in seeking a transfer to schools hat are closer to their homes. Sarah Graham and Ronald Li from PDHPE and Mathematics will be: eaving us at the end of this term. I would like to them both for their ongoing commitment to the students at Chatswood High School and wish them well in the future.

We have had some well-deserved recognition for some members of our community. You may have recently seen Ms Emily Mclachlan from our PDHPE faculty featured on the national news after she was identified as an innovative teacher using technology to enhance student experiences across not only our school but a range of schools across NSW. The innovation and collaborative practice that Ms Vclachlan has brought into the school leads to a higher level of engagement for our students and ultimately meets one of my core goals for students which is they wake up each morning looking orward to going to school.

There are also two student achievements that I would like to highlight with the first being Anthony Manns who has been selected to represent Australia in the upcoming Science Olympiad in the area of Earth and Environmental Science. Anthony was presented with his Australian blazer in a ceremony in Canberra last weekend and will be travelling to Korea in late August to represent our country. The list below shows the members of Anthony's team.

International Earth Science Olympiad 26 August–3 September, Daegu, Republic of Korea

Maxwell Etherington	Year 11	Brindabella Christian College	ACT
Anthony Manns	Year 12	Chatswood High School	NSW
Jordan Rogers	Year 12	Girton Grammar School	VIC
Imogen Viner	Year 11	Hobart College	TAS

The second student is Baha Hakimjavadi who has been selected to participate in in the United Nations Young Diplomat program. Bahar will be travelling to The Hague later this year to meet and work with diplomats and staff from the United Nations.

The staff are continuing to spend valuable teaching and preparation time dealing with students who are out of uniform. The Chatswood High School community has agreed that we have a uniform that we expect every student to wear every day. Many students believe that our uniform includes a hoodie of random colour and design. This has never been part of our uniform and while the students requested this last year the parent body through the P&C have requested that this will not be part of our uniform.

Whilst we have a process that involves placing students on detention when they are out of uniform we do accept that at times some students are unable to wear the full uniform. Please write a note requesting permission for them to be out of uniform for the day. Students should see the Deputy Principal responsible for their year before school so they can pick up an out of uniform slip.

The school has recently successfully completed the Department of Education's External Validation process. I would like to thank the staff who worked on the submission for this review as it was a contribution from 32 members of staff. The validation review provided feedback regarding the School Excellence Framework but more importantly it provided a deep insight into the effectiveness of the programs we run across the school.

The staff will be participating in a combined School Development Day with our partners from the North Sydney Entente Cordiale group of schools. Staff will be participating in Professional Learning activity developing differentiated delivery techniques, developing assessment programs and working on classroom skills and techniques. I look forward to being able to share some of the outcomes with you in the next edition of this newsletter.

Lastly, I would like to thank whole community for their participation in making Chatswood High School a better place every day.

David Osland Principal

Update from the CHS P&C – June 2019

Here's a quick snapshot of what your P&C are up to -Wellbeing Sessions

Sexual heath and Respectful Relationships

Vanessa Hamilton founder of Victorian based Talking the Talk

http://www.talkingthetalksexed.com.au) is returning to CHS on August 5 & 6 to speak to our year 9 students on sexual health and respectful relationships. This is the 3rd year of this successful wellbeing event and it shouldn't be missed by any parent who has yet to hear Vanessa's message. Vanessa provides useful tips for conversations about sexuality and some questions to ask yourself. Teenage mental Health – The Blackdog Institute

(https://www.blackdoginstitute.org.au/)

Earlier this term, The Blackdog Institute ran a parent information session on how we can support our teenagers and spot the early warning signs. Information sheets are available on the <u>Parent Resource page</u> of the CHS P&C website (see <u>https://www.chspandc.org.au/resources/parent-resources</u>). Thanks to Jenny Biggins for organising this event.



Black Dog Institute

- Signs and Symptoms of Anxiety
- Seeking Help for Anxiety
- Strategies for parents How to prevent depression and anxiety
- Symptoms of Depression
- Helping Someone Who has a Mental Illness

Parents attending are keen to follow-up this session next year and the P&C are exploring the possibility of running student "Bite-back" sessions with the school leadership team in 2020.

Chatswood Education Precinct (CEP)

A second round of Parent & Community Information sessions were held on the CEP earlier in term 2. The information slides displayed at the information night are available on the <u>NSW Education Department - School Infrastructure website</u>, along with some answers to the questions raised.

Following those sessions, a lot of parents have raised concerns, including:

- Early demolition of the CHS Hall, a central part of everyday life in the school, and impact on school music and CAPA and examinations.
- What will happen to the Music Annex- funded by the P&C several years ago
- Proposed shared school hall –assurance over soundproofing/ access to lighting and sound controls, lack of fixed stage, change rooms and inadequate alternative performance space in upper campus.
- Uniform shop and canteen how to share facilities and ensure privacy for our students and adequate storage for each school
- How to ensure adequate facilities for the successful before and after CHS Sport programs- partly funded by the P&C
- How the spilt campus will impact school timetabling? Would each class lesson need to be longer? How will that impact students' ability to concentrate and learn?

The P&C has already raised concerns with the PRG project manager. And we are also looking at other ways to raise public awareness of these issues, including the establishment of a Parent Action Committee to raise issues outside the official project reference group.

You may have seen a recent North Shore article or the CHS Music Committee <u>petition</u> raising issues on the CEP relating to the CHS hall on the music program. Please sign it if you agree with the concerns raised.

All comments and feedback on the project should be directed to the following email address:

schoolinfrasturcture@det.com.au

The DET will respond to every email, so the more emails they receive on a particular issue, the more likely it is that these concerns will be addressed.

Please add your voice to the discussion.

Recent Social - Parent dinner

Thanks to everyone who came along to our parent dinner at Tawandang Thai restaurant in Chatswood on June 1. It proved to be a fun night with about 50 people coming along to meet other families and enjoying a delicious Thai feast. A special thank you to Jenny Biggins for organising the night.

Lynn Donohue President CS P&C

Year 8 Subject Selection

Year 8 will be participating in subject information sessions next Monday and Tuesday during the day where Head Teachers of the courses offered will give information and students will have the opportunity to ask questions. I hope that they have been reading the Subject Information Booklet available on the website to get a good understanding of course requirements.



Students will be emailed a code to use

for Web choices (the online platform we use for subject selection) in the first week of Term 3. They must make sure now that they can access their Department of Education email in order to get their code. If they are having problems they need to see the Librarian, Ms Reato. Students will be given until Friday 2 August to submit their choices.

It was great to see so many parents at Parent/Teacher night this week. I wish all of our Year 8 students a very safe and happy holiday and we will see them back on Tuesday 23 July in full school uniform. A reminder that the uniform shop is open every Thursday morning from 8am until 11 am. If for some reason your child is not able to wear school uniform to school they should bring a note from a parent to my office before school and I will issue them a uniform pass. We have a wonderful school uniform and the majority of our students wear it with pride. Please help us to ensure they all wear correct uniform.

Wellbeing

On August 5 at 7pm there will be a parent presentation by Vanessa Hamilton on Respectful Relationships, particularly for parents of Year 9 students, although any parents who have not previously attended are welcome. Please see the attached flyer.

Evelyn Manson Deputy Principal

Year 7 Parent Teacher Interviews

Year 7 Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on **Tuesday 30th July** in the school hall. You will receive an email when the booking window is open. Bookings are made via the Parent Portal only.

Selective Applications for Years 8 to 11 2020

Open Date: Friday 21 June 2019

Closing date: Friday 26 July 2019

Entrance Test: Monday 19 August 2019 at Chatswood High School hall For further information regarding the application process including application forms, fees, eligibility and additional specific requirements for Chatswood High School, please visit the school website.

Happy 100th Birthday to a former Chatswood High Principal

Mrs Ilma Woodward (now Mrs Ilma Stokes) was Principal of Chatswood High in the 1970s for six years. She was the first female principal of a co-ed high school. She turned 100 on the 23rd June, 2019.



Duke of Edinburgh Award

Chatswood High School Duke of Ed. students continue to progress through the sections of the Award with the ultimate goal of completing the prestigious Gold level by the end of Year 12. We currently have three students in Year 11 completing their Gold Award; Georgia Knight, Vlad Petrov and Evy McKay. In addition to the positive experience and adventure the Duke of Ed program offers finishing Gold also adds 3-bonus ATAR points to your HSC result to assist with university entry at the end of the HSC. Georgia, Vlad and Evy are logging hours of Service, Skill and Physical Recreation once a week for 12-months and will complete two 4-day hikes over an 18-month period. The commitment, organisation and effort this requires in conjunction with their Senior studies is an impressive achievement. The Gold students will finish the hiking component with a 5-day expedition in the Snowy Mountains, Kosciuszko National Park in December.

A reminder Silver hikes are now open for booking with Youth Advance and the Bronze Expeditions will become available to book in term 3. Bronze qualifying hike date options are; 2-3 November and 16-17 November.

Congratulations to the following students who were recently presented with their Duke of Edinburgh Award;

Silver	Bronze
Asher Bouch	Thuy Dang
Alexandra Gray	Thomas Horn
Layla Kirkland	Daniel Miller
Georgia Knight	Samuel Wallbank
Evy McKay	Dean Wajzer
Vlad Petrov	Sean Wajzer
	Georgia Widjaja

Vicki Busse Coordinator Duke of Edinburgh Award CHS

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Tutti Music Concert

Tickets for the *Tutti* Music Concert to be held at The Concourse, Chatswood on Wednesday 31 July from 6-8 pm are on sale through Ticketek and at the Concourse Box Office.

https://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?sh=TUTTI19

The Careers Expo is for yrs11 and 12 students and parents



Michelle Hunters Careers Advisor

Leadership Team 2020

Congratulations to the following students:

School Captains	Ashley Chew	
	Thomas Nori-Azari	
Vice Captains	Anxia Wentworth-Ping	
	Hashem Hijazi	
Wellbeing Captains	Audrey Nesdale	
	Romi Choi	
International Liasion	Hanieh Kafili	
	Sylvia Tu	
Social Justice Captains	Clara Suki	
	Andy Han	
Sports Captains	Samantha Sharpe	
	Matthew Leung	
САРА	Evy McKay	
	Dean Milne	
SRC President	Georgia Knight	
SRC Vice President	Georgia Widjaja	
Support Captains	Tahnee Sloane	
	Nicolas Sarkissian	

NSW Schools Orienteering Team

Andra Leung (yr 10), has been selected in the 2019 NSW All Schools orienteering team.

Andra will travel with the team to Wagga Wagga for the Australian championships in late September.

We wish her all the best.

The "Big Science Competition" Results

The 2019 "Big Science Competition" (BSC) was held for the first time this year in week 5 of Term 2. The BSC is an international competition comprising a 50 minute, multiple choice test of critical-thinking and problem-solving skills. The Science Department is very pleased to announce that of the 98 students who participated, 12 students received High Distinctions (HD) and 18 students received Distinctions (D).

We would like to congratulate the following students:

Year	High Distinction	Distinction
7	Muhammad Rayaan Jawahar	Oli Green
	Hussain	
	Abishek Kattamanchi	Purunjay Kandwal
	Aarzu Patni	Marvin Ling
		Harry Lu
		Mira Pararajasingham
		Byron Rowley
		Chloe Soenario
		Frank Wu
8	Ryan Fan	Ruhan Alam
	Sean Justin	Ellis Franks
	Andrew Ni	Kailash Siva
	Max Pranoto	
	Shlok Sawant	
	Zequiel Suryanto	
9	En Su	Sumedh M Joshi
		Lucas Lin
		Daniel Newman
		Yifan Nie
		Corbin Phillips
10	William Lee	Olexandr Kurakin
	Jackson Mitchell-Bolton	Jiale Li
		Alonso Qujada

Lisa Tokko Coordinator, Big Science Competition



205 students took part in a fun and character building three days at the Great Aussie Bush Camp from June 24th – 26th. The three days have gave our students a range of new skills and lasting friendships. Students participated in a range of activities which included rock climbing, the Giant Swing, high ropes course, Lost Island, kayaking and initiative games. Thank you to all the students and staff who made the camp a fantastic experience.







Sean Abernethy Yr 9 Advisor

Sports News

Zone Athletics:

Chatswood recently took over 70 students to the Zone Athletics carnival held at Olympic Park on June 12th. Throughout the day there were a number of unbelievable performances with more than 10 of our students have earning a spot at the regional carnival in Term 3. Highlights of the day go to Zane Newton - 1st in AWD 100m, Daniel White 1st in Shot Put and our 13 years boys (Luke Kwon, Dylan Ngo, Daniel White and Fredrick Tan) breaking the Zone record in the relay!!

The following students have made the Regional Athletics team: Levi Clapham Kyna Das Nicholas Dowling Hyun Soo Hwang Luke Kwon Matthew Leung Cecilia Lin Taj Mailei Samuel Marchione Evelyn McKay Cormac Morrison - BOYS AGE CHAMPION U 14's Zane Newton Charlie Roughan Samuel Wallbank Daniel White - BOYS AGE CHAMPION U 13's Dylan Ngo Fredrick Tan Ethan Wong Arin Doganay





Regional Cross Country

Chatswood High School had 9 students represent the Ku Ring Gai Zone at the Sydney North X Country carnival at Gosford Racecourse on June 21st. I would like to congratulate all students on their fantastic achievements:

Jayden Patrick Elliot Evans Alex Lum Dean Wajzer – 7th Under 15's Chris Andry – 6th Under 15's Matthew Leung – 5th Under 17's Hashem Hijazi Kyna Das Samantha Sharpe

CHS Soccer – Aziz Dajani

Aziz Dajani was recently selected in the 2nd Under 16's CHS Football team to compete at the NSW Schoolboy Championships. Aziz competed over the three day tournament against the state's best footballers. This is an incredible achievement as Aziz was one of the youngest players at the tournament as he is only 15 years old. Well done on a fantastic achievement!





Sydney Knockout Tennis – Chatswood Finalists

The Chatswood HS Tennis Knockout team recently played in the Final of the Sydney North Competition. Unfortunately, they were went down to a bigger and much older Cherrybrook Tech HS side. Our boys were able to defeat Turramurra HS, St Ives HS, BWSC Woy Woy and North Sydney BHS on their way to the final. This is a remarkable achievement for all four students as they are only 14 or 15 years old playing against other students in year 12. It looks very promising for the next few years of the competition with such



a talented side sticking together. The side consisted of: Haruto Ishikawa Jayden Gock Alexander Morris Luka Jangava

I would also like to thank Mr Price for his leadership of the team. If definitely pays off to an ex-professional looking after the team.

Sean Abernethy Sports Organiser