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Principal's Message

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Da Vinci Decathlon – great results

I wrote about the Da Vinci Decathlon in the last newsletter and am delighted in this edition to report on the results.

You'll recall we presented two teams, one from Year 7 and one from Year 9, to compete in a range of problem solving exercises spanning a number of categories including engineering, cartography, mathematics and so forth.

Our Year 7 team "came out buzzing" wanting to compete again in 2020 and keen to start training as soon as possible. Year 9 students said that they also would like to participate again next year.

Both teams found the whole exercise challenging and stimulating – and ultimately satisfying. That's good news.

The Year 7 team came 11th in cartography, 16th in Engineering and 16th in Mathematics. The year 9 team also did creditably. With 70 teams from across the state in each year group and a first- time experience for Castle Hill High School students, this was a tremendous effort.

Congratulations to Emma Geng, Zach Danckert, Alina Hawron, Imogen Browne, Amelie Martin, Krish Joshi, Annabel Teh and Ethan Kelly in Year 7 and Priya Patel, Jason Park, Victoria Lee, Ravin Galapathy, Dominique Martin, Bethany Wade, Hannah Lee and Helen Tran in Year 9.

Reconciliation Action Plan – a successful first meeting

Under the guidance of Ms Courtney Corcoran Roberts, the school had its first meeting of parents and teachers to design a Reconciliation Action Plan, last week. In its infancy, and with much to do, the team achieved an enormous amount in its first meeting. The discussion was deep and interesting paving the way, I believe, for a truly authentic plan to develop reconciliation strategies for our first peoples.

I was delighted to see a number of parents on this team. Thank you to: Joanne Jordan, Jean Grima, Kylie Hungerford, Matt Napper and Phillip Wheeler and, as well, thank you to those parents Jenny Bloomfield and Kelly Young who were unable to attend the first meeting.



Aboriginal flags

The school has just purchased two new flags – the Aboriginal flag and the Torres Strait Islander flag – to be flown alongside the Australian flag. Here is a photo of our proud Aboriginal students just before the flying of these flags.

Vicki Brewer



Da Vinci Decathlon Competition

On May 28th and 29th, Castle Hill High School sent a Year 7 and a Year 9 team to the Da Vinci Decathlon Competition at Knox Grammar School. The Da Vinci Decathlon is a competition where schools in NSW compete in 10 different subjects - Mathematics, English, Cartography, Ideation, Engineering, Art and Poetry, General Knowledge, Code Breaking, Creative Producers and Science. Each team has eight members and they all collaborate to complete tasks targeted at the top 30% of students.

Out of 70 schools (mainly private and selective), Year 7 placed in the top sixteen in three different subjects - 11th in Cartography and 16th in Mathematics and Engineering. Da Vinci was a great opportunity to represent our school and extended our learning. The experience challenged our creative thinking as well as our use of logic. We spent many weeks preparing for this event and cannot wait to compete again next year.

We would like to thank CHHS for providing us with the opportunity to compete for the first time. We would also like to thank the teachers and parents that helped us: Mr Martin, Mrs Browne, Mrs Wade, Ms Jones and Ms Galapathy for driving us to and from Knox and Ms Greenhalgh, Ms Johnson, Mr Stone and Mrs Danckert for their help with the organisation. Finally, we would like to thank Ms Davis for her ongoing support and for dedicating her time to train us.

By the Year 7 Da Vinci Team



Year 7 training hard.



Year 9 getting competitive.



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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Re: Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the *Disability Discrimination Act 1992* and the *Disability Standards for Education 2005*, in line with the *NCCD guidelines (2019)*.

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability. The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the [Australian Government's Privacy Policy](https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy) (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the [NCCD Portal](https://www.nccd.edu.au) (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DA Boss'.

Debra Boss
Head Teacher Welfare



Woolworths Earn & Learn program

We are up to 9,780

Thankyou to each and everyone who has been returning the Woolworths Earn and Learn Stickers as of 3pm Thursday 13.06.2019 we have collected 9,780.

By collecting and returning the stickers the Castle Hill High School community will be able to donate all the rewards to Bear Cottage. These rewards will include equipment for science, technology, maths, arts and craft supplies.

Students from the Student Representative Council will be coming around to PC's on Friday's to collect any stickers that are still sitting at the bottom of your child's school bags so please remind your students to have them ready to hand in.

There are collection boxes at the payments office and in the front foyer where the stickers can be dropped off every day.

We are happy to receive the stickers as you receive them from the checkouts at Woolworths.

Earn and Learn finishes 25 June, 2019.







Regards,

Miss Joanne Perkins, Mrs Debbie Boss and Mr Ashvin Ashok

Too sick for school?



Generally if your child feels unwell, keep them home from school and consult your doctor. This chart and the information it contains is not intended to take the place of a consultation with your doctor.

Bronchitis	Symptoms are coughing, a runny nose, sore throat and mild fever. The cough is often dry at first, becoming moist after a couple of days. There may be a slight wheeze and shortness of breath. A higher fever (typically above 39°C) may indicate pneumonia.	 ... until they are feeling better. Antibiotics may be needed.
Chickenpox (Varicella)	Slight fever, runny nose, and a rash that begins as raised pink spots that blister and scab.	 ... for 5 days from the onset of the rash and the blisters have dried.
Conjunctivitis	The eye feels 'scratchy', is red and may water. Lids may stick together on waking.	 ... while there is discharge from the eye unless a doctor has diagnosed a non-infectious cause.
Diarrhoea (no organism identified)	Two or more consecutive bowel motions that are looser and more frequent than normal and possibly stomach cramps.	 ... for at least 24 hours after diarrhoea stops.
Fever	A temperature of 38.5°C or more in older infants and children.	 ... until temperature is normal.
Gastroenteritis	A combination of frequent loose or watery stools (diarrhoea), vomiting, fever, stomach cramps, headaches.	 ... for at least 24 hours after diarrhoea and/or vomiting stops.
German measles (Rubella)	Often mild or no symptoms: mild fever, runny nose, swollen nodes, pink blotchy rash that lasts a short time.	 ... for at least 4 days after the rash appears.
Glandular Fever (Mononucleosis, EBV infection)	Symptoms include fever, headache, sore throat, tiredness, swollen nodes.	 ... unless they're feeling unwell.
Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)	Generally a mild illness caused by a virus, perhaps with a fever, blisters around the mouth, on the hands and feet, and perhaps the nappy area in babies.	 ... until all blisters have dried.
Hayfever (Allergic rhinitis) caused by allergy to pollen (from grasses, flowers and trees), dust mites, animal fur or hair, mould spores, cigarette smoke	Sneezing, a blocked or runny nose (rhinitis), itchy eyes, nose and throat, headaches.	 ... unless they feel unwell or are taking a medication which makes them sleepy.
Head lice or nits* (Pediculosis)	Itchy scalp, white specks stuck near the base of the hairs; lice may be found on the scalp.	 ... while continuing to treat head lice each night. Tell the school.

Hepatitis A	Often none in young children; sudden onset of fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine, pale stools.	 ... for 2 weeks after first symptoms (or 1 week after onset of jaundice). Contact your doctor before returning to school.
Hepatitis B	Often no symptoms in young children. When they do occur, they can include fever, loss of appetite, nausea, vomiting, jaundice (yellowing of skin and eyes), dark urine.	 ... if they have symptoms. Contact your doctor before returning to school.  ... if they have a chronic infection (not the first outbreak) and no symptoms.
Impetigo (School sores)	Small red spots change into blisters that fill up with pus and become crusted; usually on the face, hands or scalp.	 ... until antibiotic treatment starts. Sores should be covered with watertight dressings.
Influenza	Sudden onset fever, runny nose, sore throat, cough, muscle aches and headaches.	 ... until well.
Measles	Fever, tiredness, runny nose, cough and sore red eyes for a few days followed by a red blotchy rash that starts on the face and spreads down the body and lasts 4 to 7 days.	 ... for at least 4 days after the rash appears.
Meningococcal Disease	Sudden onset of fever and a combination of headache, neck, stiffness, nausea, vomiting, drowsiness or rash.	Seek medical attention immediately. Patient will need hospital treatment. Close contacts receive antibiotics.
Molluscum Contagiosum	Multiple small lumps (2–5mm) on the skin that are smooth, firm and round, with dimples in the middle. In children, occur mostly on the face, trunk, upper arms and legs. Symptoms can last 6 months to 2 years.	
Mumps	Fever, swollen and tender glands around the jaw.	 ... for 9 days after onset of swelling.
Ringworm* (tinea corporis)	Small scaly patch on the skin surrounded by a pink ring.	 ... for 24 hours after fungal treatment has begun.
Runny nose or common cold		 ... unless there are other symptoms such as fever, sore throat, cough, rash or headache. Check with school.
Scabies*	Itchy skin, worse at night. Worse around wrists, armpits, buttocks, groin and between fingers and toes.	 ... until 24 hours after treatment has begun.
Shigella	Diarrhoea (which may contain blood, mucus and pus), fever, stomach cramps, nausea and vomiting.	 ... until there has not been a loose bowel motion for 24 hours. Antibiotics may be needed.
Slapped Cheek Syndrome (Parvovirus B19 infection, fifth disease, erythema infectiosum)	Mild fever, red cheeks, itchy lace-like rash, and possibly cough, sore throat or runny nose.	 ... as it is most infectious before the rash appears.
Whooping Cough (Pertussis)	Starts with a running nose, followed by persistent cough that comes in bouts. Bouts maybe followed by vomiting and a whooping sound as the child gasps for air.	 ... until the first 5 days of an antibiotic course has been completed. Unimmunised siblings may need to stay home too until treated with an antibiotic.
Worms (Threadworms, pinworms)	The main sign of threadworms is an itchy bottom. Sometimes children feel 'out of sorts' and do not want to eat much. They may also have trouble sleeping, due to itching at night.	 ... and tell the school as other parents will need to know to check their kids.

***It is important that the rest of the family is checked for head lice, scabies and ringworm**



Information provided by NSW Health.

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P&C UPDATE

It is an honour to be elected as president of our parent body. We have a very dedicated executive team who works tirelessly behind the scenes delivering projects and advocating on your behalf when matters of importance come to our attention. We have a very engaged parent community who attend our evening meetings and contribute to our school community. Everyone is welcome and we get particularly excited about seeing new faces. We absolutely need fresh ideas and new, innovative, creative ways of doing and thinking.

As an executive team we will meet shortly to set our budget for the year and allocate our spend. If there is something that you would like us to consider for the benefit of the students at our school, please come along to our next meeting or get in touch via the email below. We would love to hear from you. If you are interested to know about the benefits of P&C membership, you can find more information here: <https://www.chhspc.org.au/membership>

Did you know that the P&C has a website? Bookmark it for future reference: <https://www.chhspc.org.au/> . Here you can find the uniform price list, canteen menu, order online from both of our shops, find out what our EMR team is up to in relation to safe technology and with the tax year about to end, make a tax deductible donation to the building funds. So many options in one place. If you would like to receive our minutes and be notified about our events please email us and we will add you to our database. Please also like our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/CHHSPC/>) and keep up with the latest communications.

Our next meeting will be on the 19th June at 7:30 PM. There is always something that has been prepared in house for you to sample.

Until we meet again, stay warm!

Regards,
Liga Hegner

Email: chhspc@gmail.com

WHAT'S COOKING @ THE CANTEEN?

As the weather gets colder, we see an increase in staff and students purchasing hot food options to stay warm. If you find that your favourite choice is sold out by the time you get to the Canteen, please take note that you can order and pay for your hot food of choice in the mornings before school starts. You can also place an order online or via the App with FlexiSchools.

Introducing JUICIES. This frozen juice bar comes in Tropical or Wildberry flavour and only cost \$1 each. Juicies are Halal certified and contain No Added Sugar.



Year 12 Only Lines.

Term 3 will see the return of the Year 12 ONLY lines. Please be courteous and keep these lines easily accessible for our Year 12's to use as the HSC gets closer for them. The Year 12 only lines will be in use from the start of Term 3- July 23rd 2019 onwards.

The Human Body is primarily comprised of Carbon (C), Hydrogen (H), Oxygen (O), and a little bit of Sodium (Na)...

so we're 100% NaCHO.



UNIFORM SHOP NEWS



Winter



Sports



Summer

OPENING HOURS

TERM 2

WEEKS 2 - 10:

Monday & Friday - 8.15-11.30

WINTER UNIFORM

Winter uniform is now available for both boys and girls.

We have ALL SIZES currently in stock. Smaller winter jumpers are now available in sizes 10, 12 and 14 at a cost of \$75.00. Larger sizes (16,18,20,22 and one size 26) are still available.

If parents cannot make it to the Uniform shop, Students are welcome to come in to get fitted during our opening hours and then place online orders at a later time.

WINTER SPORTS PANTS

Winter sport track pants can be worn for sport lessons. These are available for purchase now. They are a great option for this colder weather. Embroidered with CHHS on the side, these pants will keep your children warm throughout the colder weather.

We currently have sizes 8 to 2X-Large in stock. Cost is \$40 each.



ONLINE ORDERS

The online ordering system is working smoothly and changes to the website have now made it easier for parents to access. You can find the online uniform shop at:

www.chhspc.myshopify.com

Orders can be collected from the uniform shop at recess on Mondays and Fridays. Please ensure that students allow plenty of time when collecting orders and not to leave orders uncollected for too long. You can find a copy of the uniform shop price list on the webpage listed above.

Margaret
CHHS Uniform Shop Coordinator

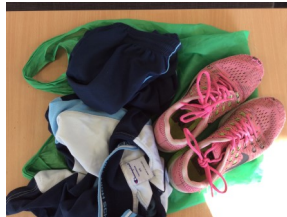
Lost Property

Lost property is building up again, can you please ensure that your students name is in all items of clothing so they can be returned to your student as soon as it is found.

If your student has lost anything from bottles to clothing and jackets, sports uniforms and shoes, they are awaiting collection at the Administration Office.

All items that are remaining in lost property will be donated at the end of term so if you are missing anything could you please come and collect it.

Thank you



Calendar

June 17th	June 18th	June 19th	June 20th	June 21st
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Year 10 Commerce • Year 9 PLO Seminar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hills Zone Athletics –Day 1 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hills Zone Athletics –Day 2 • P&C Meeting • Max Potential • Year 11 Parent Teacher Night 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scripture Seminar Year 7 • Year 10 Wellbeing Seminar 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PDC Debating Year 11 against Crestwood High • Macbeth theatre excursion

June 24th	June 25th	June 26th	June 27th	June 28th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospitality Work Placement • Year 8 & 10 Reports • Year 10 subject information Week • AFL School cup state final years 7-8 • Careers: Apprenticeships and Traineeships 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospitality work Placement • Year 10 Parent Teacher Night 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospitality Work Placement • Yr 10 Subject Selection talks • Oz tag championships Meadowbank/Kingsway 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hospitality Work Placement • Scripture Seminar year 8 • Western Sydney Careers Expo • Year 8 Welfare—The Hurting Games Sessions 5&6 • Year 10 to 11 Parents Subject night 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Celebrations assemblies • Health EXPO at Westmead Hospital • French Excursion Periods 3-6

July 1st	July 2nd	July 3rd	July 4th	July 5th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spirit Week Begins • Year 10 into year 11 subject selections interviews • Year 10 & 11 Japanese excursion • French excursion Periods 3-6 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concert Band Community Tour • Year 9 Commerce in class Visit Commonwealth Bank • History PBL Showcase • Year 8 Welfare—The Hurting Game Sessions • Year 8 Parent Teacher Night 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spirit Week Assembly • Yr 10 & 11 Subject Selections due online • Spirit Week Mufti Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scripture Year 10 • Year 9 reports Distributed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last Day Term 2