



# HIGHLIGHTS

SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

WEEK 6, TERM 1

WEDNESDAY, 6<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2019

Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

Our final Charter reflection is on the fourth touchstone "Justice and Solidarity". We are committed to justice and peace for all, grounded in a spirituality of action and reflection that calls us to stand in solidarity with those who are marginalised and the Earth itself.

**Expression: A Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition:**

- Develops a curriculum that integrates the themes of justice and peace, underpinned by Catholic Social Teaching.
- Adopts prophetic stances in the light of Gospel values and is involved in advocacy for just causes.
- Promotes participation in service and solidarity learning programs in partnership with those on the margins.
- Seeks to provide opportunities for involvement in immersion programs in which students and staff form relationships, work with and learn from those on the margins.
- Is committed to working with and walking alongside the Indigenous peoples of Australia, advocating justice and promoting reconciliation.
- Demonstrates a deep respect for and partnership with the environment, promotes eco-justice and works towards a sustainable and regenerative future for all creation.
- Recognises that its members are part of a global community and actively supports the development of all humanity.
- Nurtures a culture of critical reflection and prayerful discernment in justice and peace issues.

**TECHNOLOGY**

Being able to bring a personal learning device to school is a privilege for our students. Indeed, they are fortunate to have parents who value learning and support the development of ICT skills at schools. At Lewisham we believe that a well-rounded student must be one who is digitally 'fluent', equipped with the skills to grapple with an ever-changing technological landscape.

We need to remember a few basic protocols when using personal learning devices at CBHS Lewisham. Please remind your son to:

- bring his personal learning device to school, fully charged, each and every day. He WILL NOT be allowed to charge it at school;
- check his emails **every day**;
- install Google Classroom on his mobile phone and enable notifications so that he may receive information about assignments and tasks instantly – even off site;
- only use his personal learning device under the instruction and permission of classroom teachers;
- never play games, use apps or access web sites that he is not supposed to in class or in the library during lunch and recess;
- **Never** use ICT to harass, humiliate, belittle or hurt others. Don't record, share or publish material that is unsolicited, offensive, inappropriate or false;
- ensure your device doesn't contain data you would not want your family or teachers to see;
- never engage in destructive activities such as hacking, uploading viruses, damaging infrastructure, distribution spam or deleting the work of others;
- never use the identity, accounts, passwords or confidential details of other people. Keep his details confidential;
- always give his device to teachers and provide access codes on request;
- **take care of his personal learning device and that of others.**

**WELCOME TO OUR NEW CHAPLAIN – FR TREVOR**

On Wednesday at our School Assembly we welcomed our new Chaplain, Fr Trevor Hird. Fr Trevor is a Parramatta Diocesan Priest. He has already settled very well into our school community. CBHS Lewisham is very fortunate to have a Chaplain three days a week and it is a real commitment from the school to the spiritual journey of our young men.

**MCC SPORT IS COMPULSORY**

At the beginning of the MCC Season, it is important I spell out the school's policy on MCC Sport. If a student is capable of representing the school in any sport it is compulsory for him to do so. As in all situations, the school is willing to compromise around training times. It is frustrating when some club or rep teams don't demonstrate the same desire to compromise. As fixtures are in school time, this is not a problem as it is a part of the school curriculum. Attendance at the Wednesday training is compulsory – 3.30-5.00 pm, although in some rare cases early departures can be arranged, even if this means being slightly late for the other training. CBHS is a very proud and successful member of MCC and participation in MCC sport is a great experience for our young men. Any changes to the CBHS MCC routine must go through our MCC Sports Coordinator, Mr Mamo.

#### GET MICROSOFT OFFICE 365 FREE

The school has registered our staff and students to receive a copy of the Microsoft's productivity suite Office 365. Students and teachers may now obtain the online version of Microsoft Office 365 plus one TB online storage for free. Visit the following website to get your copy: <https://products.office.com/en-au/student/office-in-education>

*With the guidance of Blessed Edmund Rice, may we continue to strive with strength to be of service to others. Live Jesus in our Hearts Forever.*

Yours truly,

Br Paul Conn  
Principal

**MCC SWIMMING CARNIVAL – THURSDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH** Attendance at this Carnival is **compulsory** for all Year 8 and 12 students. **Activities such as tutoring, work or sports training need to be changed.** This is the only time we ask students to do this and it only occurs twice in their time at CBHS. Thank you for your cooperation.

#### CURRICULUM UPDATE

##### WRITING & POETRY COMPETITIONS

Writing, in all of its forms, is an exceptionally valuable tool for both school success and life beyond. Below are three writing opportunities for you to explore and become involved in.

Interested students are asked to speak with Mrs O'Brien or Mr Reynolds (English Key Learning Area Coordinator) if they are interested in entering any of these writing competitions.

##### 2019 KILL YOUR DARLINGS SCHOOL WRITING PRIZE

*Kill Your Darlings* is excited to launch our inaugural *KYD* School Writing Prize, which is designed to develop, mentor, edit and publish the work of two writers from Australian secondary schools.

Entries, of up to 1500 words in the categories of fiction and non-fiction, with students responding to a current social or political issue, are the requirements of the competition.

The two winners will receive a \$500 cash prize, editorial support and publication in *KYD*.

The award will be judged by *KYD*'s publishing director and author Rebecca Starford, along with award-winning author and poet Maxine Beneba Clarke.

**Entries open:** Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019

**Entries close:** Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> June, with the winners to be announced at a special event in August 2019.

For more information: <https://www.killyourdarlings.com.au/2019/02/announcing-the-kyd-school-writing-prize/>

Please speak with Mr Reynolds directly if you are entering this competition.

##### 2019 BANJO PATERSON WRITING AWARD ENTRIES

Entries in the 2019 Banjo Paterson Writing Awards are now open.

There are three categories: Short Story, Contemporary Poetry and ABC Central West Radio Children's Writing Awards.

There are generous cash prizes to be won - \$2,000 for the Contemporary Poetry winner and \$2,000 for the Short Story winner.

**Entry:** \$5 Children

Entry forms are available to download from the Central West Libraries website [www.cwl.nsw.gov.au](http://www.cwl.nsw.gov.au).

**Entries close:** Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2019.

<b>Website:</b> <a href="http://http://www.cwl.nsw.gov.au/">http://http://www.cwl.nsw.gov.au/</a>	<b>Twitter Page:</b> <a href="https://twitter.com/centralwestlib">https://twitter.com/centralwestlib</a>
<b>Facebook Page:</b> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/CWLibraries">https://www.facebook.com/CWLibraries</a>	<b>Instagram Page:</b> <a href="https://instagram.com/centralwestlibraries">https://instagram.com/centralwestlibraries</a>

##### THE 2019 DOROTHEA MACKELLAR POETRY AWARDS FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Australia's longest-running annual poetry competition for school children.

**Eligibility:** Only students enrolled in Australian education facilities are eligible to enter.

**Entries accepted** from 1<sup>st</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2019.

**Entries close:** Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2019

Maximum 80 lines; no illustrations, graphics or decorations.

Optional Theme: *'Is There Anybody There?'*

**HOW TO ENTER:** **ONLINE** group entries from schools are preferred—coordinated, collated and submitted through a teacher or parent.

##### Award Categories:

- Lower primary (Years K – 3)
- Upper primary (Years 4 – 6)
- Assisted learning Primary
- Junior Secondary (Years 7 – 9)
- Senior Secondary (Years 10 – 12)
- Assisted learning Secondary
- David Maher award (individual, Primary only)
- Multicultural NSW award
- Schools' award.

For full **conditions of entry**, details on **how to enter**, **entry fees** and **prizes for each category**, visit [www.dorothea.com.au](http://www.dorothea.com.au)

Mrs Monica O'Brien, Assistant Principal – Curriculum  
and Mr Reynolds, English KLA Coordinator

**THANK YOU****P&F FAMILY FUN DAY**

Thank you to the P & F Committee for organising a fantastic Family Fun Day for Year 5 families last Sunday. Thanks also to Jordan O'Connell (Year 9), Lucas O'Connell (Year 6), Cooper Herron (Year 9), Max Herron (Year 7) and Zac Collins (Year 9) who came along to assist with the running of the activities. It was a great day enjoyed by all who came, providing a wonderful opportunity for families to enjoy time together. It would be remiss not to congratulate all the parents who joined in for the 'laser tag'.

**P & F SOIREE**

Thank you to the P & F Committee for organising the Parents' Soiree last Friday evening. The weather, food and company was perfect and a lovely night was enjoyed by all who attended. It was a wonderful opportunity for current parents to enjoy an evening together, whilst also welcoming parents new to our community. This was followed on Sunday with the Year 7 Family Bowling afternoon, by all reports plenty of fun, laughter and bowling.

**OPEN DAY**

Last week we welcomed many visitors to our 2019 Open Day, the day was a great success. Thank you to the parents who extended an invitation to family and friends, your advocacy is important and appreciated. We were very proud of Year 12 and Year 6 students who led the tours and were ambassadors for CBHS Lewisham. We received overwhelming feedback – our visitors were very impressed by our students.

**BLUE AND GOLD DINNER**

Please save the date – **Friday, 10th May**. The P & F are organising the Blue and Gold Dinner to be held at Canterbury-Hurlstone RSL. Planning is underway and more information will be sent.

**Lyn O'Neill**  
Development and Community Manager

**YEAR 10 FREE INFORMATION EVENINGS SYDNEY UNIVERSITY TO ASSIST WITH SUBJECT SELECTION**

Sydney University is inviting Year 10 students and their parents to attend their campus for a fun and informative evening where they will answer the important questions: How does scaling work? What should you consider when selecting your subjects for Year 11 and 12? What are prerequisites and assumed knowledge? What is university really like? You will hear from a range of speakers including University staff and students.

**Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> April,  
Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup> May and  
Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
Camperdown/Darlington Campus, University of Sydney**

Please register your attendance through the Sydney University Website <https://sydney.edu.au/study/admissions/events-for-students.html> or  
E: [prospective.students@sydney.edu.au](mailto:prospective.students@sydney.edu.au) or T: 1800 793 864

**MCC SPORT REPORT**

The Grand Finals of the MCC Summer Competition took place last Thursday with three of our teams progressing fighting for premiership glory.

Results were:

Cricket: First XI 10-88 v 7-86 PREMIERS  
Touch: 1<sup>st</sup> V1 4-5, U15 5-7 both RUNNERS UP

Good luck to our Swim team that now move on to the MCC Carnival on Thursday night at Homebush. Thank you to our Year 8 and 12 students and their teachers who will be supporting the team on the night.

Age Champions for 2019 are:

U12	Neo Belfield Smith	U13	Philip Gionis	U14	Marcel Youssef
U15	Matteo Bentivogli	U16	Joel Renshaw	Opens	Paul Apostolopoulos

The CBHS Swimming costume is to be purchased via the QKR App and NOT through the Uniform Shop. Boys to bring receipts to Mr Mamo for collection of costume. Only boys who make the final team are required to purchase costumes.

Trials for the upcoming MCC Football and Rugby League season begin next Wednesday, March 13 after school. All trials, except Opens Football who train at Arlington, will take place at Beaman Park with return transport provided. Boys will return to school at approximately 5:15pm

All parents requiring information about NSW Combined Catholic College teams and events should visit the new website at [www.csss.nsw.edu.au](http://www.csss.nsw.edu.au) to download all information and entry forms. Parents should go to the "help" section after entering the NSWCCC site and then follow the registration links. Once complete, your sons will receive a once only CCC identification number which they can then use to nominate for all sports at CCC level throughout their school life. Please note that ALL individual entries and nominations must be done by parents of interested students via this process. Families should check the website for clarification, so your sons don't miss out.

**Term 1 Events**

7 <sup>th</sup> March	MCC Swimming Carnival, 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm
21 <sup>st</sup> March	MCC Golf and Squash
28 <sup>th</sup> March	MCC Cross Country
4 <sup>th</sup> April	MCC Junior CCC Cup Gala Day

**Mr David Mamo, Sports Coordinator**



# UNI OPEN DAYS 2019

## Australian Catholic University

[acu.edu.au](http://acu.edu.au)

Canberra 24 August  
North Sydney 31 August  
Strathfield 7 September

## Australian College of Applied Psychology

[acap.edu.au](http://acap.edu.au)

Sydney 1 May, 22 August, 27 November

For the latest information on session dates visit  
[acap.edu.au](http://acap.edu.au)

## Australian Maritime College

[amc.edu.au](http://amc.edu.au)

Launceston 10 August

## Australian National University

[anu.edu.au](http://anu.edu.au)

Canberra 31 August

## Charles Sturt University

[futurestudents.csu.edu.au/events](http://futurestudents.csu.edu.au/events)

Bathurst 4 August  
Wagga 11 August (TBC)  
Albury 18 August (TBC)  
Port Macquarie 25 August  
Dubbo 30 August  
Orange 6 September

## CQUniversity

[cqu.edu.au/openday](http://cqu.edu.au/openday)

Sydney 22 August  
Online Chat  
available 3-6pm 30 April, 23 May,  
18 September, 10 October, 26 November

## Griffith University

[griffith.edu.au/open-day](http://griffith.edu.au/open-day)

Mature Student Open Evening,  
Gold Coast campus 16 May  
Griffith Open Day, Gold Coast, Nathan  
and South Bank campuses 11 August  
Mature Student Open Evening,  
Gold Coast campus 12 September

## International College of Management, Sydney

[icms.edu.au](http://icms.edu.au)

Manly 11 August

## La Trobe University

[latrobe.edu.au](http://latrobe.edu.au)

Albury-Wodonga 18 August  
Bendigo 25 August  
Melbourne 4 August  
Mildura 14 August  
Shepparton 2 August  
Sydney 22 August

## Macleay College

[macleay.edu.au](http://macleay.edu.au)

For campus tours/appointments and course  
information call 1300 939 888  
or visit [macleay.edu.au](http://macleay.edu.au)

## Macquarie University

[mq.edu.au](http://mq.edu.au)

North Ryde 17 August

## MIT Sydney

[mit.edu.au](http://mit.edu.au)

Sydney 24 August  
For campus tours/appointments and course  
information call 1800 648 669 or visit [mit.edu.au](http://mit.edu.au)

## National Art School

[nas.edu.au](http://nas.edu.au)

For campus tours/appointments and course  
information call (02) 9339 8744  
or visit [nas.edu.au](http://nas.edu.au)

## SAE Creative Media Institute

[sae.edu.au](http://sae.edu.au)

Sydney and Byron Bay 11 August

## SIBT

[sibt.nsw.edu.au](http://sibt.nsw.edu.au)

For campus tours/appointments and course  
information call (02) 9964 6555  
or visit [sibt.nsw.edu.au](http://sibt.nsw.edu.au)

## Southern Cross University

[www.scu.edu.au/opendays](http://www.scu.edu.au/opendays)

Coffs Harbour 16 August  
Lismore 17 August  
Gold Coast 18 August

## TOP Education Institute

[top.edu.au](http://top.edu.au)

For a campus tour call (02) 9209 4888

## Torrens University Australia

[torrens.edu.au](http://torrens.edu.au)

Torrens University 11 May, 17 August  
Media Design School 11 May, 17 August  
William Blue College  
of Hospitality 11 May, 17 August  
Billy Blue College  
of Design 11 May, 17 August  
Blue Mountains International  
Hotel Management School 7 September

## University of Canberra

[canberra.edu.au](http://canberra.edu.au)

Bruce 31 August

## University of New England

[une.edu.au](http://une.edu.au)

Armidale 10 May

## University of Newcastle

[newcastle.edu.au](http://newcastle.edu.au)

Port Macquarie 15 August  
Central Coast (Ourimbah) 3 August  
Newcastle (Callaghan)  
and Newcastle City 31 August

## University of Sydney

[sydney.edu.au](http://sydney.edu.au)

All campuses 31 August

## University of Technology Sydney

[openday.uts.edu.au](http://openday.uts.edu.au)

City 31 August

## University of Wollongong

[uow.edu.au](http://uow.edu.au)

Wollongong 3 August

## UNSW Sydney

[unsw.edu.au](http://unsw.edu.au)

UNSW Sydney 7 September  
UNSW Canberra 24 August

## Western Sydney University

[westernsydney.edu.au/openday](http://westernsydney.edu.au/openday)

Parramatta City campus 18 May  
Parramatta South campus 18 August  
Liverpool City campus 21 September

