

HIGHLIGHTS

SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

WEEK 10, TERM 3

WEDNESDAY, 25TH SEPTEMBER 2019

A Prayer for Leaders “Do it Anyway” – Mother Teresa

People are often unreasonable, irrational and self-centred.

Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives.

Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies.

Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you.

Be honest and sincere anyway.

What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight.

Create anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous.

Be happy anyway.

The good you do today will often be forgotten.

Do good anyway.

Give the best you have, and it will never be enough.

Give your best anyway.

In the final analysis, it is between you and God.

It was never between you and them anyway.



Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

SENIORS 2019

This is one of the most significant weeks in the lives of our seniors – their last week of formal schooling. Whilst there is obvious excitement and joy that is linked to celebrating the end of the year, there is also a lot of nervous energy. Our seniors are now called to leave familiar surroundings, take their skills, knowledge and values that they have acquired and become productive members of our society. This does not mean an end to their learning. Learning is a life-long process – it will mean, however, an end to a secure and safe environment where teachers and mates genuinely cared for them and supported and challenged them when needed.

School will finish at 3.15 pm on Friday, 27th September

The timetable for the senior Graduation Day tomorrow, Thursday, 26th September is:

- 8:40 am Administrative/Homeroom Duties in Blue Room
- 8:50 am Affirmation Session in Blue Room
- 10:00 am Primary School Morning Tea for Year 12 in the Plaza
- 10:45 am Students will be assembled in house groups in the Plaza
- 11:00 am School Farewell Assembly in McDonald Centre
- 6:30 pm Graduation Mass at Our Lady of Fatima, Kingsgrove

GRADUATION DAY – 26TH SEPTEMBER

There will be no sport on Graduation Day

ALL STUDENTS must wear full school uniform including blazer



YEAR 12 GRADUATION MASS commences at 6.30 pm – Our Lady of Fatima, Kingsgrove

LEADERSHIP FOR JUSTICE DAY is Tuesday, 15th October
for all Year 11 students in the McDonald Centre – plain clothes day for Year 11 only.

STAFFING TERM 4 We farewell Mr Frank Chiment and wish him all the best as he starts as Principal of Patrician Brothers' College, Blacktown. Mr Chiment has been an outstanding Deputy Principal for CBHS. We congratulate Ms Lucie Farrugia who will be the Deputy Principal and Mr Dan Valencic who will be Acting Assistant Principal – Identity.

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

CURRICULUM UPDATE

2019 SPEECH NIGHT ACADEMIC AWARDS

As we do every year, we look forward to the upcoming Speech Night where academic awards are presented to students in Year 5-11 and the ATAR Dux of 2018. Academic Awards were presented to students in Year 12 at their Graduation Mass.

The Annual Speech Night will be held on Monday, 11th November 2019 at the Sydney Town Hall. In Term 4, Ms Farrugia will soon circulate a detailed letter to all parents and carers. Below is information for parents regarding the calculation of Academic Awards.

Year 11 Academic Awards include the following:

- The Year 11 Dux and all other Year 11 Awards are based on the assessment tasks including the end of Year 11 examinations.

Year 7-10 Academic Awards include the following:

- The First Place Academic Awards in each course will be awarded on data available to each KLA Coordinator up to the end of Term 3. First Place in each subject will receive a silver coloured medal presented in a CBHS Lewisham crested wooden box in addition to a personalised Speech Night Certificate.
- The Dux in each year and the next four overall awards will be awarded on data available to each KLA Coordinator up to the end of Term 3. The Dux in each year and the next four overall awards will receive a gold coloured medal presented in a CBHS Lewisham crested wooden box in addition to a personalised Speech Night Certificate.

Year 5 and 6 Academic Awards include the following:

The Primary Academic Awards are based on information available to teachers up to the end of Term 3. As always, we look forward to this community evening.

Mrs Monica O'Brien
Assistant Principal – Curriculum

PROCEDURE TO APPLY FOR STUDENT LEAVE

If parents wish to take their sons out of school during term time they should apply direct to Br Conn. If the leave is for more than 10 school days an Application for Extended Leave Form must be completed – this form can be collected from Student Services, the Front Office or from the Principal's Secretary. To apply for leave for less than 10 days please send a letter direct to the Principal.

2019 EREA TEACHING AND LEARNING CONFERENCE

On 11th September, Mrs O'Brien, Mr Page, Ms. Farrugia, Jackson Mitchell-Lane and myself attended the Edmund Rice Education Australia (EREA) Teaching and Learning Conference at UTS Sydney. The main focus revolved around 'Liberating Education', one of the Four Touchstones of Catholic schools in the Edmund Rice tradition. Along with Jackson and myself were students from Waverley College and St Pius X Chatswood, as well as many staff from other EREA schools. Throughout the day, we listened to and engaged in lectures that challenged us to think about how we can work together and make a better learning environment for teachers and students at EREA schools. One part of the day I particularly enjoyed was doing a panel where we broke off into different groups and discussed our own topics of interest. My group focused on the idea that students who don't get the best ATAR scores, but tried their hardest during the HSC and were involved in lots of co-curricular activities and social justice initiatives should have the same chance as getting a job with students who got a really high ATAR. We role-modelled this during the panel as a way to express our message. It was a great experience to hear other people's opinion and what they thought about ways to help students achieve their academic goals and encourage them to become lifelong learners.

Matthew Moussa (Year 10)

Parking at CBHS Lewisham for a school event

Christian Brothers' High School is situated in a densely populated location with limited parking availability. As members of the CBHS Lewisham school community, we are all also members of the neighbourhood in which CBHS is situated. Please help us to be good neighbours in abiding by the advice below and making the surrounding streets safe and comfortable for all to use.

- Consider either organising to share a car with another family or using public transport if it convenient for you to do so. This will serve to reduce the amount of traffic in the area for school events, causing less congestion and freeing up parking availability for others.
- Be careful not to block access to our neighbours' driveways (either partially or completely). If a driveway is blocked a resident may report the matter to the Police who may then issue a ticket with respect to the offending vehicle.
- Be observant of any areas where parking is restricted – these areas are clearly labelled. Some roads directly surrounding the school have a two hour parking restriction during certain times of the day.
- Be observant of bus zones. Signs clearly indicate the duration and area of a bus zone.
- Park safely and legally even if it means walking further to the school entrance.
- Be respectful of our neighbours when visiting the school and drive in and out of the area in a safe and quiet manner.
- Take any rubbish with you and not leave rubbish on a footpath or the kerb.
- Model safe and considerate behaviour for your child – they will learn from you.

REMINDER**BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION**

Parents are advised that supervision commences each day at CBHS at 8.15 am. A bell will sound at 8.15 each morning indicating that the playground is now supervised by teachers. Whilst students are permitted to enter the school prior to this bell (no earlier than 7.30 am), parents need to understand that teachers will not be on duty.

**AFTER SCHOOL**

The school does not provide supervision after the 3.15 pm bell (2.45 pm on Thursdays).

Students who catch the School Specials are supervised until the buses have departed.

2019 HSC STUDENT MASS AND BLESSING – BEVERLY HILLS

All HSC students and their families are warmly invited to attend an HSC Students' Mass & Blessing to be celebrated at Regina Coeli Church, 70 Ponyara Road, Beverly Hills at the 5.00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, 12th October 2019.

HSC MASS – DRUMMOYNE

Candidates studying for the HSC or international baccalaureate are invited to St Mark's Catholic Church, 33 Tranmere Street, Drummoyne. Afterwards there will be a gathering and supper in the Parish Centre. If you would like to participate in a ministry in the Mass please contact Parish Office on 9181 1795 or email Sr Antonia at pa@stmarksdrummoyne.org.au. Readers, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Musicians and Singers are all welcome.

MCC SPORT REPORT

This Wednesday will be final summer sport trials for the term. Thursday due to Year 12 Graduation Ceremonies no sport will take place so this Wednesday will be our last MCC trialling session for the term. Week 1 Term 4 we begin with a trial match on Thursday against Randwick. Most teams should be finalised by the end of Week 1. First week back we will have Swimming Squad training also commencing.

20th September (last Friday) marked the date of the CCC Athletics Carnival where eight CBHS students represented the MCC against the best athletes from all Catholic schools in NSW. Congratulations to all the boys who did well especially Kai Hammond who won both the Opens 800m & 1500m events. Also placing 3rd in the 800m & 1500m races was Prayaag Thapa of 7 O'Neill, a prospect to watch for the future. Also this week we wish Max Jones of 12 Magee who is competing in the Opens Pole Vault at the CCC Carnival this Thursday.

Remember any students wanting to leave a venue after training without a parent/carer must furnish the manager with a note signed by a parent/carer.

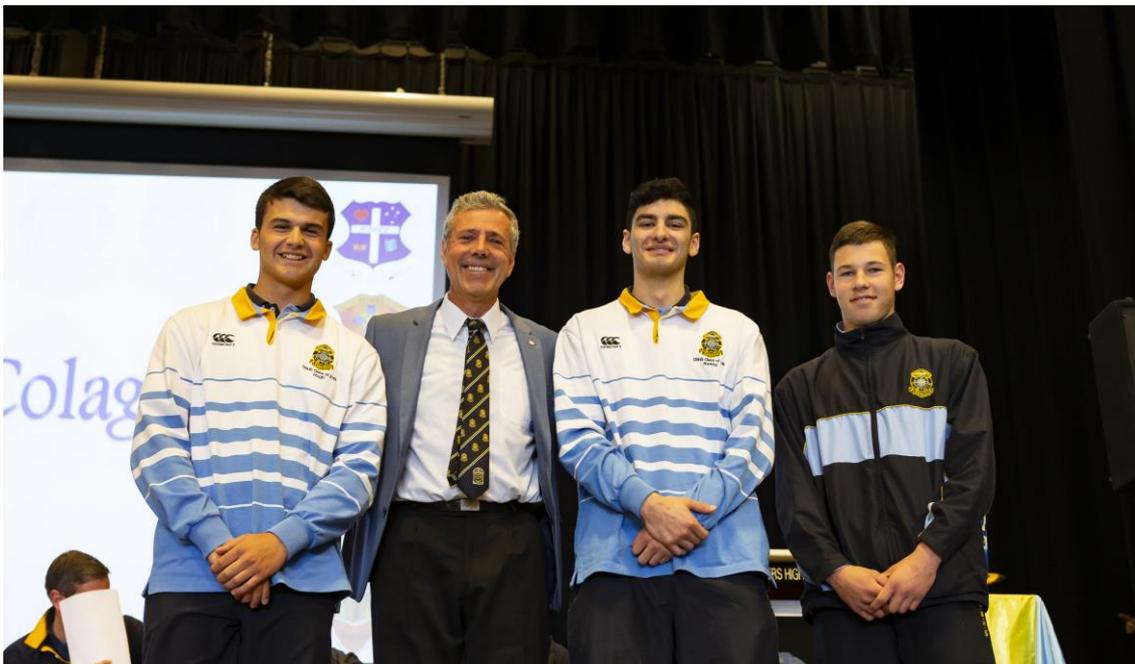
All parents requiring information about NSW Combined Catholic College teams and events should visit the new website at www.csss.nsw.edu.au to download all information and entry forms. Please note that ALL individual entries and nominations must be done by parents of interested students via this process. Families should check the website for clarification so your sons don't miss out.

Upcoming Dates & Events:

Summer Sport Trials from Week 10

U14 and U15 Basketball are the only trials Tuesday afternoons. All other teams/sports will trial Wednesdays after school 3:30 pm to 5 pm and Thursdays during sport 12:15 pm to 2:45 pm

Mr Vince Colagiuri
Acting MCC Sports Coordinator



Mr Vince Colagiuri with three boys selected for Australian representation:
Hugh Dempsey, Ronny Kayrouz and William Sabolch

