



SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

WEEK 5, TERM 1

WEDNESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY 2019

Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

Our reflection this week is around the next touchstone of the Edmund Rice Education Australia Charter – “Inclusive Community”. Our community is accepting and welcoming, fostering right relationships and committed to the common good.

Expression – A Catholic school in the Edmund Rice tradition:

- Provides pastoral care that nurtures the dignity of each person as a child formed in the image of God;
- Demonstrates a preferential option for the poor by standing in solidarity with those who are powerless and marginalised, and strives to provide access to those who otherwise would not seek enrolment;
- Is sensitive to the economic situation of each of its families, designing school programs to empower all to participate with dignity and confidence;
- Promotes social inclusion and views diversity as beneficial to a liberating education;
- Works in collaboration and partnership with the local Church;
- Acknowledges the service and contribution of the Christian Brothers and welcomes them into the life of the school;
- Acknowledges the primary role of parents and guardians in the growth and development of the child and provides opportunities for their participation in the life of the school;
- Recognises the traditional ownership and cultural heritage of Indigenous peoples of Australia, and welcomes them into its community;
- Looks beyond itself to contribute, according to its means, to the overall growth and development of Catholic schools in the Edmund Rice tradition and to Edmund Rice ministries in Australia and overseas.

URGENT REMINDER – PARENTS

It is extremely dangerous to drop off or pick up students on Denison Road. For that reason it is compulsory that all students must be picked up and dropped off at The Boulevard. No student at any time is to cross Denison Road in the Bus Zone. Once again, this is a very serious safety issue.

P&F OPEN FORUM

I often speak about the partnership that is essential between the school and home if your son is to seek his potential. One way we make this partnership real and relevant is by having an Open Forum every term that is run by the P&F. This Open Forum is normally followed by a Master Class on an educational issue of interest. The first P&F Open Forum for 2019 will be held on Monday, 18th March at 7.00 pm.

PRIVACY POLICY

If parents are interested could you please check our Privacy Policy on the website:

- Teachers at CBHS may at any time test pupils to determine their individual learning needs. These tests include for example: SLOSSON, YARCK, PAT Maths, RAVENS and SA Spelling tests.
- Tests administered by teachers provide data which, combined with information about class performance and behaviour, assists in identifying how best to utilise resources to meet the learning needs of pupils generally.
- Through regular reporting and teacher feedback the school provides feedback on pupil progress.
- At all times CBHS manages the balance between respecting the privacy of our family and providing the best possible teaching and learning outcomes.

MCC SWIMMING CARNIVAL – THURSDAY, 7TH 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.

SCHOOL PHOTOS School photos will be taking place on Monday, 4th March and Tuesday, 5th March. Personalised photo order forms have been distributed via Homerooms and spare envelopes can be obtained from Student Services. If you wish to have a family photo taken please complete a separate family form. These can be collected from Student Services or the Front Office.

THANK YOU Thank you to the Parents and Friends Committee for organising a fantastic Family Fun Day for Year 5 families last Sunday. 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’.

POSSIBLE CHANGE TO STUDENT TRACKSUIT

The Student Leadership Team of CBHS Lewisham has asked the SLT to look at the possibility of a new tracksuit. They have come up with a design. I would like to take a survey of the school to see if families support this. If approved, it would be phased in over time so that new existing tracksuits could be worn out. The design for the tracksuit was put forward by the Student Leadership Team and this will be discussed at the Open Forum.

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.



FAREWELL FR KEVIN, CHAPLAIN

It is with boundless gratitude that we farewell Fr Kevin Tuitu'u as Chaplain of CBHS. Fr Kevin has been at CBHS for five years during which time he has given selflessly to the liturgical and prayer life of the School, celebrating many special occasions such as Opening Masses, Graduations and Mother's and Father's Day Masses. His quiet presence in such Masses as House Masses, Class Masses and Community Mass will be much missed. In our Primary School Fr Kevin often visited classes, heard confessions and celebrated Year Group Masses regularly and I am sure all of our students who have known Fr Kevin from their beginning years at CBHS will be thankful and grateful for the person he is and the guidance he has provided them. The role of Chaplain is a demanding one and unfortunately, despite his best efforts, Fr Kevin is becoming increasingly unwell and no longer able to fulfil this role. Fr Kevin will always be a respected and much loved member of our community and will be warmly welcomed when he visits us. We wish him well and continue to pray for him now and in his future. He is always welcome at CBHS.

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

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

At our first assembly this year, the importance of "respect" was highlighted to our school community. Actively respecting others and one self may be considered to be the platform from which we give witness to values of the gospels. As a Catholic community in the Edmund Rice tradition, this is most important. Respect is something that should be identifiable in everything we do. It should be evident by the way our boys relate to one another, student-parent relationships, teacher-student relationships and the way in which we may sustain members of our community who may be poor or marginalised. Our teacher, Jesus Christ, was always an individual who strived to demonstrate respect to everyone he encountered – no matter what their situation or standing in the community. As such, Jesus serves as a great reminder to us that respect should always be at the forefront of our minds when living a full and harmonious life.

Prayer for Mutual Respect

*Creator God, you made us all in your likeness.
You blessed each of us with special gifts and talents and characteristics
so we can make Australia a better place to live.
We pray that you will make Australia an example
for other countries to follow.
Your Son, Jesus carried his cross to prove your
love for us and saved us from eternal sin.
God did not judge people by their skin, religion or culture
but extended his love to all he came across.
Teach us to recognise and value the gifts of others.
Help us to understand the burdens our neighbours carry.
Teach us not to judge but to respect each other as individuals.
Give our people strength to continue their journey
and bless them with the power to ease their burdens.
We pray also that the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures
be respected by all Australians and that we appreciate
the true value of these cultures.
We pray that your spirit burns brightly in all that we do.
May our lives be witnesses to your love for us.*

AFTER SCHOOL ACADEMIC SUPPORT GROUP

Please be aware that CBHS is facilitating an *After School Academic Support Group* every Tuesday and Wednesday for students in Years 11 and 12. It is held in the Waterford Learning Centre commencing at 3.30 pm and concluding at 5.30 pm. This is a wonderful academic enabling opportunity for our senior boys to be supported by Old Boys on assessments tasks, homework, task preparation or it may be used as a quiet study space. I strongly urge all senior students to make good use of this initiative.

CBHS CAMPS

Students in Years 5 and 7 attended their respective Outdoor Education Camps last week in the wonderful Hawkesbury area. These camps are strategically timed in order to ensure that our boys have an opportunity to know one another more deeply. This is achieved by participating in fun and varied activities which are all about teamwork, trust and resilience. Initial feedback from students and staff is that the camps were most successful and enjoyed. I wish to thank the numerous staff members who organised and attended these events.

**REPRESENTATIVE SPORT**

Many students are currently close to completing their summer sports representative commitments. I have been most impressed with the enthusiasm and energy that is constantly demonstrated by our boys when representing our School. I wish to thank our boys along with their coaches for their ongoing commitment during the summer season. Additionally, I acknowledge the Representative Sport Coordinator, Mr David Mamo, for his guidance of representative sport. God bless,

Frank Chiment, Deputy Principal

CURRICULUM UPDATE**TIMELY FEEDBACK**

At CBHS we are committed to timely feedback as part of our academic and pastoral care of our students. Feedback offers students time to reflect on their learning experiences and action ways to improve learning gains in a particular subject. Feedback occurs in class, written and verbal, and in formative and summative assessment tasks. Assessment tasks will be marked within a two-week period upon submission. Student feedback informs each student of the learning outcomes they have achieved upon completing the assessment task, at a particular level, and the learning that they have accomplished. Feedback is empowering and transformational because it provides students with teacher subject-specific advice on their areas of strength and areas for improvement. By empowering our students, they are reminded that real learning gains can be made through courage, perseverance and resilience.

YEAR 8 2020 - LANGUAGES CHOICES Each student in Year 8 is required to study one language for 100 hours (one year) to satisfy the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) mandatory requirements for the Record of School Achievement (RoSA). The two languages that we will be offering in 2020 are:

- French
- Italian

In Week 9, Term 1, current Year 7 students will be required to make a selection based upon their choice from the information that has been given to them by Mrs Forbes, Language KLA Coordinator. After discussing their preference with parents, students are asked to complete the preference sheet and return to Student Services (only) **by Tuesday 3rd April 2019**. Any Year 7 student handing in his preference sheet late may miss the opportunity to gain his preferred choice. Any enquiries could be directed to Mrs Forbes (charmaine.forbes@bhslewisham.nsw.edu.au).

COURSE	2019 COMPLETION & HAND-IN DATE	
	Projects must be handed in to the supervising teacher on this date no later than 3.00 pm. Students are asked to speak to their teacher for any school amended completion and hand-in date	
2019 PERFORMANCE/ PROJECT MARKING DATES		
Extension English 2	Friday, 23 rd August	Wednesday 28 th August
Industrial Technology	Major Projects - Thursday, 15 th August	Major Projects - Monday 26 th August to Saturday, 7 September
Music	Submitted Works - Monday, 10 th September	Music Performance Examinations - Monday, 9 th September to Saturday, 21 September
Visual Arts	Bodies of Work - Monday, 2 nd September	NESA to advise

Students will receive notification of their Language course towards the end of the year once the timetable for the entire school has been created. This will ensure parents and carers have adequate time to order their e-textbook for Year 8.



2019 HSC Timetable for Practical Submissions

A detailed summary for HSC Practical completions, submissions and marking is available on the BOSTES website under *Key Dates and Events*. 2016 completion dates for various HSC Practicals conducted by CBHS Lewisham are scheduled below.

Christian Brothers' High School Lewisham may set earlier dates (minor only) for Completion and Hand-in date submissions. Key Learning Area Coordinators will communicate this directly to current HSC students.

2019 HSC Oral Examinations Timetable for Languages The HSC Oral Examinations for Languages will be conducted between Thursday, 8th August and Saturday, 14th September 2019. NESA is yet to release the timetable for language oral examinations and students will be advised by Mrs Forbes once it is available on the NESA website. Specific information about examination times and venues will be available to students via Students Online approximately three weeks before their examination date. Students can find information on how to prepare for their oral examination on the *HSC languages oral examinations - advice to students* page on the NESA website.

HSC Languages: Students will be contacted by Mrs Forbes, Languages KLA Coordinator, in due time to nominate options for a scheduling time and location for their HSC Language Oral Examination. I will then enter these student nominations on NESA.

Mrs Monica O'Brien, Assistant Principal – Curriculum

CAREER PATH AND MENTORING COORDINATOR

I am currently communicating careers news directly to your son's school email account. All advertisements for apprenticeships, job information and university news are forwarded to your son's school email account daily. Each Friday I will be emailing a copy of one of our careers newsletters to parents of students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to promote discussion about careers. Parents please make sure your current email address is with Student Services. All students in Years 10, 11 and 12 will have the opportunity to attend the CBHS Lewisham Mini Careers Expo where they will have opportunities to speak directly with representatives from University, TAFE and Industry. Parents are most welcome to attend this event – CBHS Mini Careers Expo – Friday, 8th March – 11.30 am-1.30 pm – Br Julian McDonald Hall.

SCHOOL CAREERS WEBSITES

The school has two excellent careers websites for our students and their parents/carers. All students in Years 10, 11 and 12 will be attending a Careers Assembly in the next fortnight to make sure they are registered and accessing the information available. Parents are very welcome to register and sign up to the websites: www.jobjump.com.au - Password: orcas and www.cbhslewishamcareers.com.

UCAT AND GAMSAT FOR UNIVERSITY ENTRY FOR MEDICAL COURSES

Students interested in medical, dental and clinical science courses need to check the university prerequisites carefully and note which medical entrance test their university of choice requires. Students should consider whether they need to register for one or both tests. Prior registrations are required. More information available on websites. UCAT (University Clinical Aptitude Test) www.ucat.edu.au
GAMSAT (Graduate Medical Schools Admission Tests) www.gamsat.acer.org.

LAW TEST

Students interested in completing a law degree should carefully consider whether they will need to sit the LAT TEST in October. Prior registrations are required. LAT (Law Admission Test for UNSW). www.lat.acer.edu.au

APPOINTMENTS Students are encouraged to email or speak with me directly at recess or lunch in G39 about their career path ideas. Senior students can request a meeting in a study or home period. This will allow me some time to research specific requirements before formally meeting. robyn.stoddart@cbhslewisham.nsw.edu.au.

Mrs Robyn Stoddart, Career Path and Mentoring Coordinator

MCC SPORT REPORT The Semi Finals of the MCC Summer Competition took place last Thursday with three of our teams progressing to this week's Grand Finals. Results of last week's games were:

Cricket:	First XI 7-118 v 10-88 and 15A 10-57 v 10-57 v 8-66
Touch:	1 st VI 11-6, U15 7-2
Tennis:	67-72

Grand Finals on Thursday are:

Cricket:	First XI at Marrickville at 10 am
Touch:	at Holy Cross Ryde. 1 st VI 1 pm, U15 11 am

Those boys not involved in Summer MCC Sport who are part of the Swimming Squad will train at Sydney Uni during Thursday sport this term.

Boys in Year 9 will be spectators at the U15 Touch game, leaving after Period 1 and then travelling directly to Tasker for Sport. Boys in Years 11 and 12 will go to the First VI Touch after normal Periods 1-3 while boys in Years 7, 8 and 10 will sit classes and Sport as normal. Notes of explanation will be going home to all families today and be posted on the intranet.

Congratulations to our Swim Team who participated in the Christian Brothers' Carnival last Saturday night. The team finished in a credible third place behind the powerful Strathfield and Waverley. The boys now move on to the MCC Carnival next week. 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.

David Mamo, Sports Coordinator





For parents/guardians of students:

2019 Student Residential Address and Other Information collection notice

This notice is from the Australian Government Department of Education and Training (the department), to advise you that the department has requested that your child's school provide a statement of addresses, in accordance with the Australian Education Regulation 2013 (Cth) (Regulation).

A *statement of addresses* contains the following information about each student at the school:

- Student residential address (**not student names**)
- Student level of education (i.e. whether the student is a primary or secondary student)
- Student boarding school status (i.e. whether the student is boarding or a day student)
- Names and residential addresses of students' parent(s) and/or guardian(s)

Schools generate a record number for each student for the purposes of this collection, which is also provided to the department.

Purpose of the collection

This collection is routinely used to inform Commonwealth school education policy, and to help ensure that Commonwealth funding arrangements for non-government schools are based on need, and are fair and transparent.

On 20 September 2018 the Government announced that it will implement a new, improved capacity to contribute methodology used in the calculation of the Commonwealth's needs-based funding arrangements for non-government schools. This follows a review of the existing socio-economic status (SES) score methodology by the National School Resourcing Board. Further information about the review and the Government's response can be found here: <https://www.education.gov.au/review-socio-economic-status-ses-score-methodology>.

The information collected in the *statement of addresses* will be used to refine the new capacity to contribute methodology and may also be used in school funding calculations from 2020.

Use and disclosure of personal information

Your personal information is protected by law, including the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth). Any use and disclosure of your personal information relating to the *statement of addresses* will occur in accordance with the Regulation.

Your personal information may be used by the department, or disclosed to the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), for the purposes of SES score policy development, reviewing SES score methodology, calculating SES scores, Commonwealth school education policy development (including school funding), or where it is otherwise required or authorised by law.

For example, your personal information may be provided to the ABS for statistical and research purposes, which includes data integration projects such as the Multi-Agency Data Integration Project (MADIP). Further information on the MADIP can be found here:

[http://www.abs.gov.au/websitedbs/D3310114.nsf/4a256353001af3ed4b2562bb00121564/9099c77cb979d558ca258198001b27a0/\\$FILE/MADIP%20PIA_2018.pdf](http://www.abs.gov.au/websitedbs/D3310114.nsf/4a256353001af3ed4b2562bb00121564/9099c77cb979d558ca258198001b27a0/$FILE/MADIP%20PIA_2018.pdf).

The department may, from time to time, carry out audits of school submissions. In the event of an audit, contracted auditors may seek to compare a school's *statement of addresses* with student enrolment information held by the school. These contractors will not use the information for any other purpose.

The department may also be required to disclose your personal information to its service providers, including the Australian Government Department of Jobs and Small Business, for the purposes of the provision of information and communications technology (ICT) support services to the department.





Australian Government
Department of Education and Training

What do you need to do?

You are not required to do anything. Your school is responsible for providing the requested details to the department, however, you may wish to ensure that your school has the most up-to-date and correct details for your family.

Contacts for further information

Your school can provide additional information about the process of the address collection.

If you have any further questions regarding the collection, you can contact the department by:

- Email: seshelpdesk@education.gov.au
- Phone (free call): SES helpdesk on 1800 677 027 (Option 4)

The department's privacy policy is available on the department's website at www.education.gov.au. The privacy policy contains information about:

- how individuals can access and seek correction of the personal information held by the department;
- how complaints about breaches of the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) can be made; and
- how the department will deal with these complaints.





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MAY 2019
12-3.00PM**

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The Promenade King
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LUNCH AND DRINKS PACKAGE INCLUDED
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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

We are very lucky to have secured the services of
Andrew Coorey as Master of Ceremonies and
guest speaker, **Commissioner Robert Fitzgerald, AM.**

The lunch will be a great event celebrating ERFA's amazing
programs around the world, with all funds raised further empowering
communities by giving them access to quality education.

To register or for more information, please visit:
<https://erf.org.au/sydney-long-lunch-2019/>

Should you have any queries, please contact: ERFA Donor Relations Manager, Jarrod Turner
jturner@edmundrice.org • 0481 905 290

P&F REMINDER

This is a reminder from the CBHS Parents and Friends in regards to TWO events:

1. Sunday 3rd March, Year 7 Son and Parents Bowling afternoon

This is an opportunity to get together, meet other families and enjoy an afternoon of fun

**\$25 per person includes 2 games of bowling plus pizza
3pm start**

**Strathfield Super Bowl
546 Liverpool Road
South Strathfield**

Please book via Qkr

2. Friday 1st March – Parents Social Evening

The P and F extend a very warm invitation to all parents to the **Annual** Parent Social evening being held next Friday, 1st March. This is always a very enjoyable evening, held in the Heritage Courtyard providing opportunities to catch up, meet new parents and welcome all to the CBHS community. The evening is generously hosted by the Parents and Friends and includes canapes, drinks and music. So please come along as we celebrate the start of 2019.

RSVPs are required for catering purposes, but please note there is no charge for the evening.

- Friday 1st March
- From 6.30 pm to 9.30 pm
- Heritage Courtyard (or the McDonald Centre if weather inclement)

The CBHS Parents and Friends hope you will join us

RSVP HERE

<http://www.123formbuilder.com/form-4641044/rsvp-parents-social-evening>



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