UOW College - Chinese Students

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WELCOME BACK FOR 2016

Welcome back to CHS to all of our students, with a special welcome to new students and families.

The staff are excited in their return to school to see our students in full school uniform and displaying a positive attitude to the classwork.

We look forward to a successful 2016 at CHS with the introduction of the integrated Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) class in year 8 and robotics in year 7. During the course of 2016 we hope to sell some surplus school land to fund the construction of a multipurpose Gym. These are exciting development for the students here at CHS.

We welcome 2 new Head Teachers this year, Ms Alicia Van Loo in English and Ms Helen Mathews in Special Education.

The first day back for our staff was last Wednesday for the staff development day. Our major focus on the day was teacher accreditation based on the Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership professional standards. All of our teaching staff are Proficient but many are seeking recognition at the Highly Accomplished level.

Please visit www.corrimal-h.schools.nsw.edu.au for further information about starting school in 2016. Additional information to help prepare for the school year can be found at www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au or the Public Schools website.

UOW College Chinese students visit

Last Monday CHS had a study visit from 32 students and 2 teachers from Guangdong Education Service Centre in China. They were participating in a 10 day study tour program at UOW College, UOW Wollongong. The students undertook an academic English and cultural activities program while residing with local host families in the Illawarra region.

The purpose of the visit to Corrimal High School was to provide the students with an intercultural exchange opportunity by meeting local Australian students, communicating in English and having fun while observing a local Australian high school environment.

The following is a message from the organiser of the exchange:

Thank you and all the wonderful staff and students and Corrimal High School for kindly hosting the Guangdong students yesterday. They had a terrific experience and the group returned home today on a high from the cultural exchange.

We really appreciate you hosting the students given the timing with the commencement of the new term for 2016.

Thanks to Mr Matthes and our Chinese (Beginners) Language students for the lesson, and Mrs Arthur, Mr Abbott and Mr Majoor for the backyard cricket activity.

Mark King
Principal
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**Chinese Students from Guangdong Visit Corrimal High School**

On Monday 1st February a group of 32 Chinese students from Guangdong, China aged from 13 to 17 visited Corrimal High School. The Chinese students were greeted by the student body and taken for a tour around our school to show students the differences between an Australian and Chinese school setting.

The group of Chinese students engaged with our senior Chinese Beginners HSC class and were given opportunities to introduce themselves and practice their Chinese language skills together. A game of table tennis was played to embrace Chinese culture before our P.E teachers introduced our new Chinese friends to the game of cricket.

Mr King presented the group with a signed cricket bat before we bid the group farewell.

We hope to continue cross-cultural exchanges within the school and further develop an appreciation of cultural diversity within our community.

Mr J Matthes
Language Teacher

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The 2016 Corrimal High School Swimming Carnival will be held on Tuesday 9th February 2016 at Corrimal Pool. The carnival will be compulsory for Year 7 and Year 8 to attend and competitors only from Years 9 – 12 (PASS/SLR students are required to attend due to course requirements).

If students in Years 9 - 12 are not competing at the swimming carnival, normal lessons will occur at school on this day. No lessons will occur at school for Years 7 and 8 as the carnival is compulsory for these year groups.

Students attending the carnival will go to normal roll call at school and then walk to Corrimal Pool with CHS staff. Students will be dismissed from Corrimal Pool at the completion of the carnival at 2pm. If your child wishes to leave the pool early, a signed parental note is required to be handed in prior to the day. The theme is “HAWAIIAN”- come dressed in bright, Hawaiian inspired attire. Best dressed prizes will be awarded on the day.

The cost for the 2016 Swimming Carnival will be a $3.10 pool entry fee (payable on the day) for students and $0.60c for parent spectators. We cater for a variety of swimming abilities with events offered in both competitive and non-competitive events. Permission notes have been distributed this week to all students.

The Illawarra Zone Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 19 February at Corrimal Pool and the South Coast Regional Swimming Carnival will be Wednesday 9 March at Dapto Pool.

YEAR 11 AND SCHOOL SPORT 2016

The NSW Department of Education has recently reviewed its Sport and Physical Activity Policy for Year 11 students attending weekly organised sport (Wednesday afternoon sport). The policy states that sport is no longer a mandatory requirement for Year 11, but it is encouraged.

‘Schools are also encouraged to provide Year 11 and 12 students weekly access to a minimum of 150 minutes of moderate with some vigorous physical activity and sport’ (NSW Education Sport & Physical Activity Policy, 2015)

At Corrimal High School we are encouraging all of Year 11 to sign up for a Wednesday afternoon sport in 2016. The benefits of regular physical activity include a lower risk of obesity, improved sleep, improved mental health and improved social skills.
Year 11 students who do not sign up for a weekly Wednesday afternoon sport will be dismissed from school each Wednesday at 12.35pm (starting 10 February 2016) and are expected to undertake a home study program. The school Library will be open during sport on a Wednesday afternoon for those Year 11 students wishing to use the facility for study.

KNOCKOUTS AND REGIONAL TEAMS

Students will have the opportunity to trial for a school knockout team and/or Regional teams in the coming weeks. All information is given to students via the daily notices in roll call and on assemblies. Please encourage your child to see Mrs Arthur for any information regarding knockout teams or trials. There are quite a few trials coming up so students need to be prepared with the correct information.

SCHOOL SPORT TERM 1

Welcome back to another school year, we hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas break! We are looking forward to another fantastic year of school sport. We have introduced a number of new opportunities available for selection including Snooker, Futsal, Gardening Club and Underwater Hockey. Students will be selecting their sport during lunch on Wednesday the 3rd of February 2016 in the school library.

Recreational sport will commence on Wednesday 10th February 2016 for Years 8-11 (Year 7 have sport as a year group and Year 11 is optional BUT encouraged). Once your child/ward has selected a recreational sport, please discuss this decision with them and sign the attached permission note. Be sure to consider venue, mode of transport, equipment required and cost. The school offers a number of sports that have no cost attached. Students must choose carefully, as no changes will be made after Week 4 of Term 1.

Venues and costs are outlined below. Please ensure that the permission slip is completed and returned to the PDHPE staffroom ASAP to secure a spot in your chosen sport. No student will be leaving the school without a signed permission note.

Note: Year 7 participate in their own sport program with their year advisors for Term 1.

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Yours in Sport
Mr K Majoor and Ms B Arthur
2016 Sports Organisers

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**FSC WIN Network Senior Boys Academy**

For boys aged 13 - 16 years
Monday nights 6:00pm - 6:30pm
Ian McLennan Park, Kembla Grange

Summer Term: Monday 15 February - Monday 11 April (8 Weeks)

Summer Term Cost $160

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I would particularly like to welcome to our new year 7 students and welcome back all our other library users.

What can the library do for me and how should I use it?

The library is open before school, every recess and lunch, as well as Wednesday afternoons during sport for seniors.

I can help with: reading choices, research, essays, creative writing, speeches and time management. Start your assessment tasks and homework as soon as you get them as this allows you to spend time on the drafting and editing process, which I can help you with.

Any book requests, please let me know and I will order them.

Ms S Cutsforth
Teacher Librarian

Breakfast club will start up again at Corrimal High School on Tuesdays and Thursdays in week 3.

Anyone who would like to come in for some delicious toast or cereal and kick start their day, are more than welcome to attend.

Times are 7:50am- 8:25am.

Look forward to seeing you there.

Mr B Wellings, Mr J Foster and Mr C Mulder
PARENT ONLINE PAYMENTS

Parent online payments are now available from your mobile device.