



St Clare's Catholic High School

A Catholic school of excellence and improvement

Upcoming Events

*Friday 7th April - LAST DAY Term 1
Monday 24th April - Pupil Free Day - Staff Formation Day
Wednesday 26th April - FIRST DAY of classes for Term 2 for all students
Wednesday 26th April - PDSSSC Touch Gala Day
Tuesday 2nd May - PDSSSC Cross Country
Friday 5th May - Year 7 Reflection Day*

"Everything is connected - Every day, Every Learner"

10 April 2017

From our Principal - Mr Shane Morris

Every Day, Every Learner - An Update



Our attendance level this week was **76.1%**. Our target is 90%

Let's all make a sustained effort to be persistent and have the drive to be at school every day, of every week.

As the term concludes and we move towards Holy Week, I share with you the words of Pope Francis:

"Lent is a new beginning, a path leading to the certain goal of Easter, Christ's victory over death. This season urgently calls us to conversion. Christians are asked to return to God, with all their hearts (Joel 2:12), to refuse to settle for mediocrity and to grow in friendship with the Lord. Jesus is the faithful friend. Who never abandons us. Even when we sin, He patiently awaits our return; by that patient expectation, He shows us His readiness to forgive" (cf. Homily, 8, 2016)

Let us pray for one another so that, by sharing in the victory of Christ, we may open our doors to the weak and poor, he concluded. Then we will be able to experience and share to the full the joy of Easter.

Staffing Announcements

Earlier this term, **Mr Michael Vella** our Religious Education Coordinator informed me that he will be finishing up at St Clare's. This decision for Mr Vella has not been an easy one, but we respect his decision in spending more time with his family after experiencing a long period of ill health. Mr Vella has contributed to Catholic Education for 44 years. His contribution and impact he has had on students, teachers and parents, has been significant.

Mr Vella is a committed, passionate and experienced teacher who has held various leadership positions over his 44 years of teaching, such as Pastoral Coordinator and more

recently (since 2014) as the Religious Education Coordinator at St Clare's Catholic High School. During this time we have seen first hand how dedicated and passionate Mr Vella has been in working with the whole community to live out their faith experience. I ask that we keep Mr Vella and his family in our prayers as he enters this new phase of his life.

I would like to extend my thanks to **Miss Stephanie Cassar**, for accepting the position of acting Religious Education Coordinator for term 2.

I would also like to extend our best wishes to **Mr Daniel Mufale** who is taking paternity leave for 14 weeks, as he and his wife await the birth of their second child. I would also like to extend our congratulations to **Ms Lauren Forwood**, our school counsellor who will be getting married in the holidays. We wish Ms Forwood every blessing during this exciting time.

I would also like to farewell and thank **Mrs Rachel Pirovic-Moss** who has been teaching in the RE team this term. I wish you every success at your school.

Welcome New Staff

I would like to welcome **Mrs Rachael Thompson and Mr Truong Hai Ho** who will be joining St Clare's for term 2 in the PDHPE department. I know that our community will join with me in welcoming Mrs Thompson and Mr Ho to our community.

Pilgrimage

On Easter Monday I will be departing for the Holy Land for an extraordinary three weeks. I am very excited to have this privilege to travel to the Holy Land, Rome and Italy with our Bishop Vincent, our Executive Director, Mr Whitby and colleagues, Principals and Religious Education Coordinators from our Diocese. During my absence, Mr Anthony Hulme will be Acting Principal. I will be keeping all our community in my prayers as I experience the grace and amazement of places we only read about in the bible. I look forward to sharing my experience with staff and students when I return on Monday 7 May.

Enrolments for 2018

I have commenced enrolment interviews for 2018. This is an important process for me, in getting to know new families and new students to our school. St Clare's Catholic High school welcomes students from our local catholic, government and independent schools. Our community is experiencing some growth in our junior years and as a result we look forward to increasing the number of students to our community in 2018.

We also have vacancies in Years 8-10 for 2017. Please contact Mrs Camilleri our Enrolment Officer for further details on how to apply.

From the Assistant Principal - Mr Anthony Hulme

Term 1 learning and school based activities have occurred at such a rapid pace. I can hardly believe how quickly this term has passed. It was wonderful to learn so much about the St Clare's community over this last 11 weeks and the wonderful students that are enrolled at St Clare's.



A reminder for parents/carers as we prepare for Term 2



As a matter of practicality I take this opportunity to remind parents to update the school office of any changes to contact details, particularly as email addresses and mobile numbers provide us with readily accessible modes of contact especially in relation to student absences.

Bullied - (Currently on iView for a limited time - <http://iview.abc.net.au/programs/bullied>)



Over the last few weeks I watched some episodes of the ABC documentary on Bullying, hosted by Olympic swimmer Ian Thorpe. It is not without controversy, however, it provides an insight into the effects of bullying and the inappropriate use of social media.

It seems many people are seduced by the opportunity for instant expression and an immediate audience, and remain ignorant or uncaring of the damage they frequently cause to themselves and others when they post unformed thoughts, as seen on the TV documentary, Bullied.

The academic attention to our 'online etiquette', where so many spend more and more time, rightly notes how much rudeness makes its way onto message boards and into Facebook threads and how quickly the back-and-forth on social media turns nasty. That happens in part because the exchanges are disembodied. We don't have to face whomever we're lashing out at. It's not a stretch to assert that, if two online protagonists suddenly found themselves

sitting opposite one another, then many of these impulsive, ill-conceived and aggressive attacks simply would not happen.

Many of us have clearly forgotten the advice dispensed by our parents/grandparents when they could sense there was a little tension or 'heat' about. It went something like, "count to 10 before you speak". It meant that slowing things down often generated a more thoughtful and polished response. So next time you send an online message in the heat of the moment or send a thoughtless response, take advice from those with life experience, pause for 10 seconds and think twice before pressing send.



It would be a fitting time to remind both students and parents that electronic messages should not be sent to or from students during the school day. This causes interruption to learning. If a student is unwell or needs to contact a parent/carer they should just go to the student foyer and ask for the office staff to make first contact. No student should call home first - let the school do it.

More information can be found at: www.reachout.com/cyberbullying

Student Devices

With the students taking a short break from their studies, this would be a perfect time for parents/carers to check over your personally owned devices. At all times parents/carers should know all the passwords to be able to open and get onto the device that you own. The device for school should be used for academic purposes with a limit of 2 games and no inappropriate content to distract your child's learning.



Please make sure all unwanted/downloaded content is deleted and the device has adequate memory available. Any updates should be performed over the student vacation.

It would be suggested to check internet history/logs to make sure content viewed is the material you would allow. Whilst at home, students should use their device in a location that would allow adequate parental supervision.

Uniform for Term 2

With the students planning for the return to Term 2 in Winter Uniform, it is worth noting some of the details to avoid embarrassing phone calls on the return to school.

Uniform / Hair

- Boys must have their shirts tucked in at all times, including before and after school.
- Girls should have their hair tied back, skirts at knee height and have no nail polish or false finger nails.
- Hair cuts must be in accordance with the St Clare's policy, as indicated in the diary.
- No facial jewellery (plastic spacers/keepers are not permitted at any time)
- Only girls are permitted to wear one small earring/stud in the lower ear lobe only
- Chewing gum is not allowed at any time.

Students who do not meet these simple expectations will receive a demerit/detention from their Learning Advisor or class teacher, for continued breaches and disregard of the school policies and procedures.

Winter Uniform - Terms 2 & 3

BOYS

- School trousers (grey)
- Open-necked white shirt with school crest
- Grey socks
- School tie
- Black school blazer with school crest on breast pocket
- Black belt

GIRLS

- School skirt (to be worn to the knee)
- Open-necked white blouse with school crest
- Black tights or black pantyhose (no knee-highs)
- Black school blazer with school crest on breast pocket

Note: NO tie for girls (this is an error in the Student Planner).

The correct school shoes that are to be worn are black, polishable, lace up, leather traditional style school shoes that have a small solid heel. Flat soled synthetic/canvas style skate shoes do not meet WHS requirements. Girls style such as 'Mary Jane' should be avoided due to the open top design of the shoe. This style does not meet WHS requirements in Science and TAS.

Winter - Boys & Girls

- White polo shirt with school crest
- White school sports socks with tri-colour band
- School tracksuit (jacket and pants). NB: Tracksuit jacket may only be worn on Thursday (sports day)
- White leather/vinyl athletic shoes with solid upper (i.e. no punch holes). NB: This is an Work Health and Safety requirement for practical subjects. Skate/canvas style shoes are NOT permitted as part of the sport uniform ie VANS, Converse etc

Please note that combinations of Sport and normal uniform are NOT permitted.

The final decision in regard to correct uniform rests with the decision of the Principal or delegate.

From the Business Manager- Mr David Wakeling

School Fees / Payment Plans

Thank you to those parents/carers who have paid their Term 1 school fees, or have made contact with the School to set up a payment plan.



Families who have not yet completely paid their term one fees and who have not made contact with the School to set up a payment plan would have received an overdue notice. Please contact the school's Finance Officers on 9830-2400 (select option 2) to arrange a weekly, fortnightly or monthly payment plan over the course of the whole school year. Payment options include Cash, Cheque, EFT, BPay, Direct Debit, Centrelink deduction or Credit Card. **Note that the Finance office is open between the hours of 8:30am and 4:00pm.**

Financial difficulty

Families who are experiencing financial hardship which makes it difficult to meet the financial commitment of your child's education, can have their circumstances assessed for assistance with fees, over and above that of a payment plan. This will require that families provide certain income, expense and liability documentation to substantiate that they meet the requirements of Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta school fee management policy. Once the documentation is submitted the Business Manager will assess and may require an interview with families.

Assessments are made for one year only and **MUST** be reviewed each year. So, if you had an arrangement last year, you will need to contact us again this year. Please note that unless an assessment or review is done, you will be liable for the full amount of school fees.

These matters will be treated sensitively and with absolute confidentiality, and will not affect your child's education.

Notice required to withdraw a student or ten(10) weeks fees in lieu of notice.

Please note that section 5.7 of the Catholic Education Office Parramatta Diocese School Fees Management Policy, requires that one term's notice (10 school weeks) in writing must be given to the Principal. If no notice is given (or less than 10 weeks notice), then an additional 10 weeks fees will be payable. Under this policy only the Manager of the School Fees Liaison Unit, Catholic Education Parramatta has the discretion to vary this policy.

From the Acting Religious Education Coordinator - Miss Stephanie Cassar



We are currently in a significant and special season in the Church where we take the time to reflect on our lives, our relationships, our shortcomings, and most importantly, on who God is in our lives.

This Sunday 9th April, we welcome Holy Week with the **Palm Sunday Celebration**, a day that has been established by Blessed JohnPaul II as the International World Youth Day celebration.

Our school community has been invited to join Bishop Vincent, the youth and clergy of the diocese, to participate in the Palm Sunday procession, which moves off from Parramatta Town Hall and concludes at St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta. The Palm Sunday procession commemorates the entry of Jesus Christ into the city of Jerusalem in the weeking preceding His Passion, Death and Resurrection. In our own time, it is the Catholic feast day, which signals the beginning of Holy Week liturgies.

If you are free this Sunday, I encourage you to come with your family and friends and join us at this wonderful celebration which will set off the Easter season in a special way.

RSVP to Miss Stephanie Cassar at scassar5@parra.catholic.edu.au by Thursday, 6th April.

Here are the details:

Date:	Sunday, 9th April 2017	
Program:	4:45pm	Gathering in front of Parramatta Town Hall (182 Church Street)
	5:00pm	Procession along Church St concluding at St Patrick's Cathedral (1 Marist Place)
	6:00pm	Mass celebrated by Bishop Vincent
	7:00pm	BBQ in the cloister



From the Leader of Diversity and Learning- Ms Catherine Ruff

The Premier's Reading Challenge

Need a challenge these holidays?? The Premier's Reading Challenge is available for all NSW students in Kindergarten to Year 9, in government, independent, Catholic and home schools. This challenge aims to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure in students, and to enable them to experience quality in literature. I encourage all students to join in this experience and perhaps use the holiday period as an opportunity to delve into the world of books and unlock their imaginations. It's free to join and you will find the booklist and many other valuable resources available on the website. If you haven't registered yet, simply register here:

<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>



The 2017 Challenge commenced on Monday 6 March and concludes on Friday 25 August.

Naplan Dates

Students in Years 7 and 9 will sit for the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) in May. The testing schedule is as follows:

Tuesday 9th May	Language Conventions (45 mins) & Writing (40 mins)
Wednesday 10th May	Reading (65 mins)
Thursday 11th May	Numeracy (60 mins) - Calculator (50 mins) Non-Calculator (10 mins)
Friday 12th May	Catch up tests for students who missed test/s

National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy 2016 PARENT/CARER CONSENT FOR DISABILITY ADJUSTMENTS

In May 2016 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) will be completed by all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN will assess the literacy and numeracy learning of students in all Australian schools. The tests will be conducted across Australia on the same days for all students.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement and will be able to compare their child's performance against the national minimum standard.

A student with a significant intellectual and/or functional disability may be exempt. However, all other students are expected to participate in NAPLAN and disability adjustments may be made to support individual students. Adjustments to testing conditions should reflect the normal support the student receives in the classroom. Parents should discuss the adjustments that can be accessed by their child with the child's teacher and the principal. Large print, braille and black and white versions of the tests are available for students registered with the NSW DoE, NSW CEC or NSW AIS as vision-impaired.

The completed parent/carer consent form for access to disability adjustments must be lodged with the school principal by **2 May 2016**.

Should parents/carers wish to apply for adjustments for their ward please contact Ms Catherine Ruff, Leader of Diversity and Learning via clarehassallgrove@parra.catholic.edu.au

PAT-R Testing

During the past week all students completed the online PAT-R Test.

What is PAT-R?

PAT-R - Progressive Achievement Tests in Reading: Comprehension, Vocabulary and Spelling. It is a test designed to assist teachers in their assessment of students' reading

comprehension skills. The test is a 40 minute test that consists of multiple-choice questions measuring literal and inferential comprehension, and reflect contemporary understanding of the reading process.

The results from these tests are used to assist teachers in their planning and teaching, so that students' are given tasks that challenge them at an appropriate level. If you would like further information about this assessment please speak with your child's English teacher.

COMPLIANCE AUDIT - Peer Review Feedback

Every calendar year all schools within the Parramatta Diocese undertake a peer review. The Peer Review process involves the presentation of curriculum documentation to peers from other schools in a professional learning context. Peer Review is a key part of the School Compliance audit process which allows all schools to view, assess and provide critical feedback on the curriculum presented by the school being reviewed. This year at St Clare's, the Science and HSIE faculties were selected by CEDP to present the curriculum documentation for both Stage 4 and Stage 5. The review process took place on Tuesday March 28th. Feedback from the review process was affirming and recommendations made will be implemented to ensure a continual improvement to teaching and learning at St Clare's.

From the Leader of Wellbeing and Learning- Mrs Theresa Nielsen

Harmony Day 2017

This year, St Clare's Catholic High School community came together on Harmony Day in a celebration of cultural diversity as a community on 21st March 2017. The day was marked with a celebration of colour, music, dance and traditions.



The theme of the day was "Everybody belongs...". In Learning Groups, students worked collaboratively to create a photo scene and complete the phrase "Everybody belongs...". The photos then became the "leaves" of a tree and the centrepiece of the day. The opening ceremony was a sharing of traditions from the diverse cultures represented at our school and a flag procession. Flavina, a student of Samoan background, shared the tradition of the Malu. The Malu is the traditional tattoo which Samoans get imprinted on their skin. The Malu has a unique design and starts from the waist down to the knees. Flavina invited her guest to the stage to display part of her traditional tattoo.

A special guest, John Hunter, an Aboriginal elder, was also invited to the ceremony to speak about the smoking ceremony and body painting traditions. The students listened eagerly as

he described how the smoke is used to cleanse oneself. The students, parents and carers were invited to participate in the ceremony. During lunch, students were invited to bring in some traditional cultural food to share with their friends in a school picnic. Following lunch, students performed traditional and modern cultural dances for the community. Overall, it was a fantastic day for the community to come together and share traditions, food and music where everyone truly was welcome and belonged.



Term 2 Uniform

Parents and carers are reminded all students are to wear winter uniform in Term 2. This includes:

- Blazers for all students
- Ties for boys
- Black pantyhose/tights for girls.

With the cooler weather settling in, I would also like to remind families that the sport jacket is only to be worn on Thursdays with the sport uniform. Students are permitted to wear their red jumper underneath their blazer for extra warmth. Non school uniform hoodies and tracksuit jumpers should not be worn to, from and at school. If there is an issue with your child's uniform, please contact their Learning Advisor or Leader of Year.

Attendance

Attendance has been a keen focus across the school throughout Term 1. The Leaders of Year and Learning Advisors have worked together to track and monitor student attendance. This term, parents and carers may have received a phone call and letter from the school alerting them that their child's attendance has fallen below 90%. As a school, we are aiming for 90% attendance. While there is a way to go to meet our target, we thank families for their support in taking phone calls and attending planning meetings. In support of our work as a

school, Stacey Dellow from Jarara will be working from St Clare's on Tuesdays with a particular focus on working with Indigenous students and families on their attendance.

I would like to congratulate the 181 students who have 100% attendance in Term 1. These students were awarded a very special certificate to acknowledge this achievement. Well done!

In Term 2, we will continue to track and monitor student attendance. While we understand there are circumstances that arise across the year that requires a student stay home from school, we ask these days are kept at a minimum. If you would like to discuss your child's attendance at anytime, please contact their Leader of Year through the school office.

2018 Student Leadership

Year 9 2017, students who are considering a student leadership position in 2018 are reminded the leadership selection process will commence in the latter half of the year. In preparation for this, students are reminded to work towards this goal by getting involved across the many leadership opportunities across the school. This could be simply volunteering for the Library Crew, Social Justice or trying out for a representative sport team. As supporting evidence of their commitment to the school's core values of persistence, passion for learning, pride and being a peacemaker, students are reminded they will be required to attain a Principal's award before the leadership selection process commences. Finally, I would like to wish all families a happy Easter and restful break.

From the Leader of Learning Mathematics - Ms Ciara Duffy

Evidence collected from formative assessments on all Year 7 students have indicated that many students require regular practice of times tables and basic division.

There are many apps that can be downloaded onto your child's iPad or iPhone. Examples include Math Bingo, Math Martians, My Times Tables, 10 Minutes a Day Times Tables, Multiply Wiz and Division Wiz. Many of these applications are free and will help your child to become more fluent in their recall of times tables.

The recommended time for revision of times tables is 10 minutes per night.

How can parents help their child to learn the times tables?

- 1. Post a chart of times tables on the fridge.**
- 2. Provide encouragement along the way.**

3. Spend quality time together practising. For time-poor families, this could be on the way to or from school, afternoon, evening or weekend activities.
4. Encourage your child to access his/her Maths Online account at mathsonline.com.au. This website can be used to review and practise the times tables.

Thank you for your ongoing support of learning at St Clare's.

From the Leader of Sport - Mr Brenton Geribo

PDSSSC Swimming Championships

The PDSSSC Swimming Championships were held at the Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre, Homebush on 24th March. Congratulations to the following students who represented St Clare's on the day.



Tiarna Bernal, Chloe Gibbons, Emily Gibbons, Angelo Guevera, Madison Holmes, Kayne Hudson, Daniel Lawther, Kyle Logue, Chloe Ryan, Leonard Skelton, Amber Steward, Laura Summers and Samuel Wilkes.

Cross Country

Our school Cross Country was held last Monday 3rd April, with all of our competitors doing really well. The U/12's and U/13's ran 3 km, the U/14's, U/15's and U/16 girls ran 4 km, while the U/16 boys ran 6 km. The PDSSSC Cross Country Championships will be held on Tuesday, Week 2, next term. 44 of our students will compete at Sydney Motor Sports Park,

Eastern Creek after they were successful in progressing through to the next level. A special thank you to Mrs Watton, Mrs Naylor and our student helpers for assisting in the running of the day.

U/15 Boys Rugby League

Congratulations to Peter Taateo (Front Row) and Lee Lo Tamaseu (Centre) who have successfully made the Sydney Independent Catholic Colleges U/15 Rugby League team to play at the NSWCCC trials in May. The boys attended the SICC trials last week and were successful, not only in their selection but with the PDSSSC team coming out victors on the day.

From the Social Justice Coordinator - Mr Dale Ahern

As a school community we have been working hard to raise and support Caritas in their efforts for Project Compassion. Caritas annual Lenten fundraising and awareness appeal is an extraordinary ongoing demonstration of faith, love and generosity of the Catholic community. All money raised throughout Australia is to help end poverty promote justice and uphold dignity. As a way of fundraising and to kick off Project Compassion Social Justice held a Pancake stall which was a great success raising over \$500. Continuing on from this Learning groups have been raising money and we as a school have raised approximately \$3200. To finish a great fundraiser Social Justice held a sausage sizzle on thursday at lunch for students. All students had a great BBQ to help St Clare's assist in Project Compassion.



From the School Counsellor- Ms Lauren Forwood

Sleep Hygiene and Healthy Habits

As the term draws to a close, we all tend to find ourselves a little more tired and run down than usual. The school holidays are a great opportunity to build new habits around sleep. Having a good night's sleep is crucial to feeling well and functioning at our best. Sleep hygiene is about having a variety of practices and habits that enable this to happen. Some suggestions include:

- *Having a regular bedtime that enables you to get an optimum amount of sleep each night is important:*
 - *6-13 year olds are recommended to get 9-11 hours of sleep each night*
 - *14-17 year olds are recommended to get 8-10 hours of sleep each night. Refer to this [chart](#) from the National Sleep Foundation (US) for more details.*
- *Limit daytime naps to 30 minutes.*
- *Avoid stimulants such as caffeine and nicotine close to bedtime. Also avoid alcohol too close to bedtime.*
- *Even 10 minutes of physical activity can help to improve your sleep quality, the amount and intensity that is helpful differs for each person, so work out what feels best for you.*
- *Turn off all electronic devices an hour before bedtime. The blue light that is emitted from these interferes with your production of melatonin, which helps you to get to sleep. Essentially, the light makes your brain think that it is day time.*
- *Establish a relaxing bedtime routine. This can include reading, light stretches, or taking a warm shower or bath.*

For further tips and suggestions, refer to this [document](#) for the Centre for Clinical Interventions in WA.

Parent Education Series - Term 2

We are in the process of developing our next parent education evening. Watch this space in the coming bulletins for further details. If you have any particular topics that you would like to hear about, please don't hesitate to contact Lauren Forwood at the school on 9830 2400.

Mt Druitt Learning Ground

In Week 9, we met with some of the staff from Mt Druitt Learning Ground in Bidwill to learn a little about the type of services they can offer our community. Their programs have proven effectiveness and are based on Aboriginal and other cultural understandings.

- *As their main form of work, the Learning Ground offer an adolescent program for young people who may have lost their way with school or their home lives, and*

need some extra support to get back on track. Students enrolled in this program attend the Learning Ground for a few hours on a Monday and are supported by teachers, psychologists and other professional staff to rebuild their communication, identity, relationships, and generally feel better connected and more confident in their day to day lives.

- *The Youth Activities Program (YAP) runs on Fridays from 5.30pm - 8.00pm during school terms, and is for young people aged 10 - 17 years. Some of the activities include “Rap4Change”, “Dance, Drama and Performance”, Curiousworks Film and Photography Workshop”, and “Art Graffiti and Design Workshop”. For more details or to enrol your child, contact Steve on 0415 740 208.*
- *The Enablers Leadership and Communication program aims to support all individuals to build a better understanding of self and others, give you insight into how you came to be where you are, and helps you to develop new skills moving forward. Any adult is welcome to attend - the staff from the Learning Ground partake in this program themselves. It is a 5 week program running on Tuesdays between the 2nd - 30th May from 5.30pm - 8.30pm. For more details or to register, contact Cassandra on 0431 675 076 or email info@chainreaction.org.au.*
- *The Family Life Skills program aims to help parents foster a positive relationship with their children, reduce conflict, and help their children with the challenges life may throw at them. It is a 5 week program running on Tuesdays between the 2nd - 30th May from 5.30pm - 8.30pm. For more details or to register, contact Cassandra on 0431 675 076 or email info@chainreaction.org.au.*
- *The Learning Ground also offer workshops for parents. See below:*
 - *Parenting in a digital world:*
29th August from 5.30pm - 8.30pm
 - *Baby and toddler:*
*28th November from 10.30am - 1.30pm**For more details or to register for either of these workshops, contact Cassandra on 0431 675 076 or email info@chainreaction.org.au.*

The Learning Ground are located at Bidwill Square in Bidwill.



29 March 2017 KLA Careers News Bulletin

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO HEAD TEACHERS and ALL STAFF
and to Parents,**

It may only take one piece of news to lead a student towards success in their life's career.

If you know students enjoy your subject, this is a great way to assist them, so please encourage them to take part in those events mentioned below in your Subject Area.

Find below a listing of special careers news that have also been emailed out to many of our students and their parents.

HSC SUBJECT KLA / FACULTIES

CAPA

Dance, Drama, Music, Visual Arts

CATC Design School Open Day for Graphic Design, Interior Design and Photography

29 April. 12.00pm to 3.00pm,

46-52 Mountain Street, Ultimo

See student exhibitions, watch industry presentations and workshops and learn about course and career opportunities to suit you.

<http://www.catc.edu.au/about-us/upcoming-events/sydney/catc-sydney-open-day>

Shillington Graphic Design Information Session

26 April. 6.00pm

Level 3, 50 Margaret Street, Sydney

Hear from students and teachers about graphic course advice and career opportunities.

<https://www.shillingtoneducation.com/au/graphic-design-course/info-sessions-and-graduation/>

ENGLISH

Years 11 and 12 Career Taster Day with a Difference

10 April. 10.00am to 2.00pm

Macleay College Level 2, 28 Foveaux St Surry Hills

Students will join sessions to discover more about their personalities, strengths and what careers they are best suited to. Included are sessions on: -Journalism -Advertising. Lunch is provided.

RSVP here: goo.gl/tFXCf1

MATHS

How to become a Chartered Accountant

<https://www.youunlimitedanz.com/Site-Content/About-CA/How-to-become-a-CA>

Australian Mathematics Competition

27July

For all mathematics levels with more special events to follow. Teachers can register students online.

<http://www.amt.edu.au/mathematics/amc/>

P.D.H.P.E.

Community and Family Studies, P.D.H.P.E.

Australasian College of Natural Therapies Open Day

29 April. 10am to 2.00pm

235 Pyrmont Street, Pyrmont Sydney

<http://www.acnt.edu.au/about/events-and-workshops/open-day-pyrmont>

CSU Indigenous People to train as Paramedics

Providing greater opportunity for Indigenous people to train as paramedics is one way that Charles Sturt University(CSU) is helping to close the health-care gap. Charles Sturt University has a strong international reputation as a leading paramedic university with a reputation for producing some of Australia's best paramedics, and for this reason, their graduates enjoy one of the highest graduate employment rates in Australia.

<http://news.csu.edu.au/latest-news/health/closing-the-gap-is-good-paramedicine>

Careers in Sport at BCA National Sports College

Learn the skills in diet, coaching, programming, business and leadership that you'll need for a management level career in sport, outdoor recreation or fitness. Visit

<https://www.bcanational.edu.au/information/courses/sports-courses/sis50612-diploma-sport-development> for more information.

SCIENCE

Senior Science, Biology, Chemistry, Earth and Environmental Science, Physics

Worldwide Med - A free resource for aspiring medical students.

Recently launched by a medical graduate from The University of Sydney, Worldwide Med is an online platform that aims to help prospective medical students make better decisions about studying Medicine in Australia and around the world. <http://worldwidemed.co>
Please feel free to make use of it and do get in touch if you have any questions or feedback at hello@worldwidemed.co

Professional Cadetships Australia Videos

What is it like to be a cadet in Business or Engineering or I.T.?

<http://www.professionalcadets.com.au/business-cadetships-video.asp>

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Science 50:50 / Women in Engineering STEM Careers Week for Year 10 Girls

Applications open 31 March

Runs from 10 to 14 July

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Traineeships Available

ARC has multiple traineeships available across Sydney for recent school leavers. Earn while you learn - get paid to study a Certificate III, work full time for 12 months in an office environment with a salary, annual leave, super etc and gain valuable work experience. Contact recruit@arcgroup.com.au or call on 02 8833 3999.

Dooleys Western Sydney Youth Summit

6 April. 9.30am to 2.30pm

PCYC Auburn, Wyatt Park, Church Street, Lidcombe

The Youth Summit is short intensive workshops on how work experience, interning, traineeships and volunteering as a pathway to paid employment. Call 8737 5500

<http://www.adsi.org.au/events/140-06-04-2017-join-us-at-the-dooleys-western-sydney-youth-summit-2017>

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Chemistry, Physics, Essay writing, Economics, Biology or English Preparation. Learn the smart way and browse HSC courses at <https://cce.sydney.edu.au/>

Western Sydney Uni Year 12 Free HSC Study Sessions

3 to 7 July

https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/hsc_study_sessions/hsc_study_sessions

Defence Info Sessions

All Defence areas near to you such as:

Trades, GAP, Reserves, ADFA, Commando, Women in the Force, Pilot and many more. Go to this link to find what is happening nearest you.

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/DefenceJobsAustralia/events/>

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Blazers from Uniform Shop

It's now time for purchasing or ordering your Blazer. The blazer is \$175.00

A deposit of \$50.00 is required to start a Layby. All layby's are to be finalised no later than 18th April. All students from Year 7 - 10, who require a blazer need to come to the Uniform Shop during recess or lunch, or with their parents on Tuesdays between 8:00am to 1:30pm or on Thursdays between 12:00pm to 3:00pm, as there will not be a Blazer fitting day.

We currently have stock available in most sizes .

It is essential that those students who wear a size 18 garment or larger be fitted for their blazer as soon as possible, as we may need to order these.