Celebration Concert

The annual Celebration Concert was held late last year in the Sydney Town Hall. Many people ranging from primary and secondary students to tertiary students, teachers, professional musicians and community members attended and performed.

The concert was divided into two halves. In the first half of the concert, the combined primary choir performed many short, sweet pieces accompanied by a piano. Along with the combined primary choir, other secondary and primary choirs performed their own songs. A Year 12 composition was performed on the Tubla (Indian drum) and guitar as a duet. Every one of these items were interesting to watch and listen to with some enchanting and some comical.

Items in the second half were performed by a professional orchestra and the combined secondary choir. The very first piece was the ‘Requiem’ composed by W A Mozart. It was a very challenging piece to learn but everyone pulled through and it sounded magnificent. ‘The Coronation Ode’ composed by Edward Elgar was the next item performed. This song was written in honour of King Edward 7th. With the choir, four soloists added even more spectacular sounds. At the very end, the primary choirs added their voices making a wonderful sound to a wonderful ending.

The orchestra accompanied both songs with accuracy and helped the choir in any way possible. In ‘The Coronation ode’, everyone in the Sydney Town Hall was lucky enough to hear the great organ accompany everyone. To finish off the concert, the orchestra and combined secondary choir performed two songs called ‘Send in the Clowns’ and ‘La Bamba’. In ‘La Bamba’ the performers wore brightly colour scarves, bandanas or sombreros to celebrate the end of the concert. It was a very energetic piece, very contrasting to the ‘Requiem’ and ‘Coronation Ode’. In between all the choir pieces the orchestra performed a couple of pieces, that sounded fabulous and very professional.

Everyone in the choir would like to thank Uncle Mal for helping us make a successful concert and Ms Chan for organising the choir in order to go and perform at the concert.

Clara Lau 8R
Congratulations:

Adam Spencer Year 11
Competing in the NSWCHSSA Baseball State Carnival

Monica Kade Graduated 2004 has produced
Battle Therapy — This is a comedy about Dr. Julian Stone, as psychologist who has a group of patients with obsessive compulsive disorders. Dr. Julian Stone, adores his patients, but it has come to a point where his patients are interfering in his personal life and with his relationship with fianceé, Grace Gardiner played by MONICA KADE. In order for Julian to get married, he must cure his patients before the wedding, survive their attempt to kill him and finally say ‘I do’.

PREMIERE DETAILS

DATE: Wednesday 16th May
LOCATION TBC: Fox Studios or George St Greater Union
TIME: 6.30pm

TICKET PURCHASE:
www.battletherapy.com (official website) direct link to tickets http://partycp8.com/index.php?id=41,122,0,0,1,0

Also, JULIA TAN from Year 12 this year, is also starring within the film! She plays the role of a Jinx Yoo, Julian’s neighbour who is obsessed with luck and fortune.

Schools Spectacular 2006

On Friday and Saturday 24 and 25 November, students, teachers and professional musicians from all over NSW performed at the Sydney Entertainment Centre for the annual Schools Spectacular. The year’s theme was ‘Shine’ and was hosted by John Foreman.

There were lots of items soft themes and performances including ballet, jazz, heavy metal, classical foreign and popular that were danced, sung or played.

The show was divided into two acts and each act had numerous sections. In Act 1, it started off with the theme ‘Shine’ followed by two foreign songs sun by the secondary choir and moving...
In the second act the Schools Spectacular paid tribute to the miners who were trapped. Next came the orchestral and ballet section. Afterwards the School Spectacular Marching Band played two pieces. Then came the more energetic songs. Finally, to top it all off was the Christmas section and a huge finale to finish.

Everyone of these performances were accompanied by the wonderful orchestra or terrific Stage Band. Fantastic soloists also took part in the Schools Spectacular. The Schools Spectacular would never have succeeded if it wasn’t for the co-operation, hard work and effort that everyone gave.

Clara Lau 8R
SPORT REPORT

The School’s Annual Swimming Carnival was held at Dence Park Pool, at Epping on Monday, 19th of February.

The weather was fine and all the students who attended seemed to enjoy themselves and at the same time competed strongly and tried their best. Congratulations to all of those students who went in the competitive events. The swimming program on the day allowed all the students to participate by either joining in the competitive events, novelty events or free swim at the end of a hot long day. The prize trophy for the Rod Cherry Memorial Bomb went to Alex Przeklasa - Adamski (yr 12) with a magnificent displacement of water with his belly flop. The crowd appreciated Alex’s efforts and gave him the loudest applause!

The carnival was a great success thanks largely to the staff who helped run the carnival and it all went smoothly due to their efforts and to all the students who competed on the day.

AGE CHAMPIONS

All these age champions were presented with their trophies on a previous school assembly.

BOYS          GIRLS

U/12 - Joshua Jenkins   U/12 - Amelia Hofer
U/13 - David Lee       U/13 - Bella Owen
U/14 - Luke Anderson   U/14 - Sarah Wade
U/15 - Peter Lee       U/15 - Chani Scammell
U/16 - Jonathan Dick   U/16 - Victoria Low
U/17 - Mitchell Henry  U/17 - Jessica Harris

The Kuring-gai Zone Swimming Carnival was held on Monday, 5th of March. Carlingford High School came 5th overall out of 9 schools who competed on the day. A lot of students from Carlingford competed well and tried their best for the school. These students advanced to the Area Carnival after coming 1st or 2nd in their race - Amelia Hofer, Rachel Gately, Aimee Burrow Chaney, Brooke Little, Bella Owen, Kia Horrocks, Jonathan Dick, Mitchell Henry and Mitchell Lane.

Students from Carlingford High trialled out for the Area Teams in Baseball and Volleyball. Two students from Carlingford made the Regional Baseball Team - Adam Spencer and Travis McDonald. Regional Volleyball Team - Balraj Ougra and Scott Laffer. Well done to all of these boys for a great effort in making into these representative teams.

D. Smith and S. Squires
CHS Sport organisers 2007.

Parking in the Vicinity of the School

The school has received a number of complaints recently about school community members attending school functions and parking illegally in the streets opposite the front of the school. Could I please request all visitors to the school to take care to observe the parking restrictions in these streets and to avoid blocking driveways.

Peter Myers
Deputy Principal

Loosit weight management study for young people aged 13-16 years

- Conducted at The Hills Community Health Centre, 183 Excelsior Avenue, Castle Hill, 2154
- Nine weekly group meetings in the late afternoon followed by some reunions over the following months.
- First meeting week of the 2nd April 2007 (we will break over the school holidays).
- Group sessions will include fun games and an opportunity to get to know other young people with similar concerns.
- Group sessions empower young people with skills, knowledge and confidence to get more fun out of life!
- Together, the young people look at self-esteem, setting goals, becoming more active, stress and healthy eating.
- Parents are also invited to attend sessions with other parents.

Developing responsible and independent learners
Year 7 Camp

Year 7 parents and guardians should now all have notes for the camp Broken Bay Sport and Recreation Camp beginning on the 23rd of May. The camp is designed as a challenging adventure for all the students.

On the first day students will take a bus and a boat and then will divide into groups of 20. Groups will then walk to campsites where they will prepare their own meals on a campfire. That night students will be sleeping out in the bush so it is essential that students have their own warm sleeping bag. The following day students will return to the camp where they will participate in activities including archery, initiative activities and a high ropes course. On the Thursday evening there will be a student disco and students will sleep in cabins. The Friday morning will be an opportunity for more activities and then it will be time to get back on the boat and head for home.

Students will return to school on the Friday around 2pm absolutely exhausted but with new found confidence and resilience.

A list of required items can be found on the excursion note. Please note that students will not be allowed to use mobile phones or ipods on the camp. There is no mobile phone reception at the location. Students should be contacted only in an emergency via the camp telephone number.

We will appreciate the return of the permission and payment envelopes to the student office as soon as possible.

Matt Palmer  David Mills
Year 7 Year Advisor  Assistant Year 7 Advisor

Success at Castle Hill Show

The following Textile Technology students have gained prize ribbons for their practical projects at the Castle Hill Show last weekend.

1st place Stacy Anderson YR11- Sequined Cocktail Dress and Mask; Gaby Martin YR 10 – Tie Dyed and Appliquéd Bag; Eliza Brown YR10- Hand embroidered and Free Hand Machined Embroidered Quillo; Kimberly Cochrane YR 8- Tie Dyed Bag with Free Hand Machined Embroidery

2nd Place Gaby Martin YR 10 -Appliquéd and Free Hand Machined Embroidered Quillo. Jessica Lewis Appliquéd Quillo YR 10 Eliza Brown-YR10- A Summer Dress 3rd Place Stephanie De Caria YR 10- Free Hand Machined Embroidered QuilloJessica Lewis Appliquéd Quillo YR 10

4th Place
Gwendolyn RogersYR10- Appliquéd and Free Hand Machined Embroidered Quillo

These projects will soon be on display in week 10 term 1 and in week 1- 3 in term 2 in the school foyer.

A huge thankyou to Julie Young and Lauraine Hill for their generous donation of fabrics.

USE OF MOBILE PHONES AND IMAGE CAPTURE EQUIPMENT AT SCHOOL

It is accepted that many parents/caregivers wish students to have mobile phones in their possession during the school day as it enhances security for those students travelling to and from school. For this reason there is no ban on their possession at school.

The school only has issue should a mobile phones, or other electronic communication device, including email, be used inappropriately. Inappropriately means:

• Disrupts or is likely to disrupt the school learning environment,

• Is used to bully or intimidate through calls, SMS, text message, photographic, video or other data transfer.

For this reason mobile phones are not to be turned on during the school day unless prior arrangements are made with the school.

Should a phone, or other electronic device be used inappropriately there are very clear policies on the actions that may be taken. These range from confiscation of the phone to suspension should there be, “verbal abuse transmitted electronically such as by email or SMS text messages”.

LOSS OR DAMAGE OF MOBILE PHONES

Schools are not responsible for the loss or damage of a mobile phone or other electronic devices brought to the school. Students bring these devices to school at their own risk and schools will not accept any responsibility for their loss or damage. Ref: DET Legal Issues Bulletin No. 35

FILMING, PHOTOGRAPHING OR RECORDING OF CONVERSATIONS

This is another important issue facing schools as the technology of mobile phones now allows photography and recording. Generally speaking it is an offence in law to record a conversation or photograph a person if the person does not consent to being recorded, filmed or photographed. Students must be aware of this and again this is made easy if a phone, or other electronic device be used inappropriately there are very clear policies on the actions that may be taken. These range from confiscation of the phone to suspension should there be, “verbal abuse transmitted electronically such as by email or SMS text messages”.

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Peter Myers
Deputy Principal
DRAMA/ENTERTAINMENT NOTICES
TERM 1 -- March 2007

ENTERTAINMENT

Entertainment is in its' second year at the school and falls under the ever growing category of VET or Vocational Education and Training.

Students this year are continuing to learn about a variety of topics related to the entertainment industry such as lights, sound and multi-media set up as well as Occupational Health and Safety, Event management, First Aid, Communication skills, and workplace behaviours.

Several students have already completed their work placements this year with businesses such as ‘Lots of Watts’, ‘Chameleon Touring’, and ‘International Events’ providing placements for our students. Others will be attending the ‘Riverside Theatre’ & ‘Hype’.

Students have already been involved in organization and staging for Music Solo’s Nights, Presentation Evening, technical support for the Principal’s Conference and Open Night. Future opportunities will also include the SRC Rotary dinner, Senior Dance & Drama night, 40th birthday celebrations, Art Exhibit and more functions that use our hall.

The purchase of a portable stage by the school has given an extra dimension to staging events in the hall and provided more ways to cover the areas of staging, bumping in and out, moving scenery and props.

DRAMA -- MORE THAN JUST A PLAY!
“Drama is life with the dull bits taken out”
Alfred Hitchcock

Drama is off to a flying start this year with 2 classes in Yr9, 1 in year 11 and 1 in Yr 12.

Year 9 are currently finishing a unit on Improvisation. They will move onto Play building and Scene work at the end of the term. Future units of work will include Preparation for the Arts North Drama Festival, Film-Making, and Comedy.

Year 11 are looking into and performing monologues, play building and theatre history.

Yr 12 are working hard at their major individual projects, having studied two Australian texts, and will shortly begin work on their Group Performance project as well as their study of American theatre.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Senior Dance & drama Night + mini Art Exhibit – Term 3
Theatre Review assessment Task – Yr 9 & 11 due week 10 Term 1 (those requiring an extension to this assignment must bring a note from home signed by parents)
Yr 9 Assessment in Improvisation – week 9 term 1

STUDENT INTRANET

Students are reminded to keep checking the intranet site for updates on excursions, assessment tasks and homework helpers.

The site also contains links to sites and web-quests developed especially for Drama that have been on the intranet since early 2003 – don’t forget: Drama was one of the first subjects in the school to have their information displayed in this way.

MAIN INTERNET SITE:

http://www.carlingfor-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/

INTRANET

http://www.carlingfor-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/intranet/

Meet students from other school and explore the wide and varied world of DRAMA.

For those who wish to be involved in productions outside of school they should check out Forest Youth & Sydney Youth Musical Society (SYMT) -- both provide vehicles for 16–25 yr olds to perform in and learn about the production side of theatre. Warning: the standard is very high and a professional attitude is expected!!

This money goes towards financing performance nights as well as the photocopying of scripts, the purchase of props etc…. If you are having trouble paying please contact the school. Assistance is available.

MUST SEE SHOWS (Check your local papers and the Saturday Herald Metropolitan for details) http://www.theatre.asn.au/ is also good – especially for auditions and slightly easier to navigate!! Some new and exciting works coming up include:

Twelve year old Colin discovers that his little brother, Luke, has cancer and may not survive. To shield him from this, Colin is sent to stay with relatives in London where he sets out on a quest to find a cure for Luke. After all, if the doctors in Australia can't help, maybe the highest person in the land can...

This is a tale of humor, pathos and coming to terms with the hardest concept of all - mortality.

**TICKETS**

- **Adults** $20.00
- **Child/Concession** $15.00
- **Family Ticket** $60.00 (2 adults, 2 children)

**PHONE 9676 1191**

**Venue**

**OLYMPIC PARADE THEATRE**

**BANKSTOWN**

Woodstock Players are proud to Moiré’s dark comedy *"The Miser"*. March 22 - 31 at the Ballroom, Woodstock, Burwood, Sydney. Tickets $20 Adults; $15 children and concession

For more information and to download a booking form: http://www.geocities.com/woodstock.players/ or phone:(02) 9715 7669

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

International Competitions and Assessments for Schools—Australia

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P&C NEWS ..........

At the P&C meeting held on 14-MAR-07, the special guest presenter was Mr. Matthew Palmer, who spoke on three areas:

- His activities/involvement as the Teachers Representative for the school to the Teacher’s Union (including the current Union position with respect to the A to E grading on reports as proposed by the Federal Government)

- His role in the Welfare team (including the levels of discipline in place at CHS), and his role as Year Advisor for Year 7.

- A school project being undertaken to implement an integrated and functional water conservation program, including a Rain Water Tank at CHS.

It was a very interesting session, and touched on areas of interest to the whole school community.

NEXT P&C MEETING:

**Special Presentation: Barry Weir, Languages**

When: Wednesday 9 May 2007; 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm
Where: Learning Centre, Carlingford High

ALL WELCOME

Would you like to be on P&C’s email contact list?
If you’d like to receive P&C emails, including Agendas and Minutes, please forward your details to Brigid Rooney (brigid.rooney@arts.usyd.edu.au), or contact Mrs Jillian Morton at the school office, on 9871 4222.

... Wanda Whittaker, CHS P&C Secretary ...

Extended Leave
Please Note

If you are taking your child on holidays, going on an overseas visit or your child has to be off school for medical reasons, please notify the school and fill out a DEPARTMENTAL EXEMPTION FORM—three weeks prior to your child’s leave.

The forms can be collected from Mrs Rolfe—A Block Office.

For further enquiries please contact me on 9871 4222