ENGLISH COMPETITION 2008

Students from Carlingford High School achieved very pleasing results in the ICAS English Competition held in August. 41 students from Years 7-10 participated in the competition and 56% of those students scored a Credit or above. I would like to congratulate the following students for their performance and thank all the students for their participation.

**Distinction:** Amy Armstrong (7), Junda Huang (7), Nicholas Wilson (7), Benson Wong (8), Elaine Luo (10).

**Credit:** Rachael Cantrill (7), Nancy Chen (7), Brian Hong (7), Ashlee McDonald (7), Jonathon Ray (7), Zihao Xue (7), Hannah Alexander (8), Jessie He (8), Stephenson Li (8), Eugene Lu (8), Mark Ouyang (8), Jessica Wang (8), Wilson Zhang (8), Xin Yu Zheng (8), Michael Pierotti (9), Damien Turco (9), Clara Lau (10).

Philip Nesbitt
Head teacher English

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

**KARINA COX—Year 11**
Well done to Karina Cox for her recent success at the NSW Pony Club Dressage Championships held on the 29—31 August at Worrigeen near Nowra. She was placed 1st and 4th in her events which made her equal champion for her age group. She was also a member of the highest scoring zone team. Karina now has to ride in the 17—24 age group where competitors can be so much older and experienced.

**FRASER NIXON—YEAR 10**
Congratulations to Fraser who was representing our school in the NSW CHSSA Athletics State Carnival which took place on the 4—6 September 2008 at Homebush. He participated in the 3000m Walk and the 2000m Steeplechase in the age 17+ division.

**ESTHER JO—Year 8**
Congratulations to Esther for achieving the Minister’s Award for Excellence in Student Achievement at the Community Languages School/Carlingford High.
JENNIFER MASSEY—
Year 10

Congratulations to Jennifer who danced and performed in PCYC Parramatta’s Rock Eisteddfod entry. Very excitingly, PCYC made it to the grand final at the Entertainment Centre. It is so exciting because PCYC has not entered the Rock Eisteddfod before and they only just scraped in with the minimum requirement of 20 performers on stage and 10 backstage just 6 weeks before performance date. Other entries were spectacular and large. So, it is a coup for PCYC’s small group to make it this far and a credit to all involved.

THE SIEMENS SCIENCE EXPERIENCE

SCIENCE OPPORTUNITY FOR YEAR 9 STUDENTS

The Siemens Science Experience, a three day hands-on science, engineering and technology program, will be conducted again in Australian universities in 2008/2009 for students who will be entering Year 10 in 2008. Each program includes a wide variety of practical activities, together with interesting presentations by leading scientists and engineers.

It is a Rotary Services Project and fully supported by the Australian Science Teachers Association. The cost of the three day program is $105 (includes GST). Local Rotary clubs are often willing to pay this fee.

Further information and application forms are available from the school’s Science Department, Rotary clubs and from www.scienceexperience.com.au. Early application is advised.

Any Year 9 student is welcome to attend.

An electronic copy of the above may be obtained by email from kim.aitken.ext@siemens.com

David Hopley
Head teacher Science

WORLD YOUTH DAY

As you all know, World Youth Day is the biggest Youth Event in the world, bringing young people from all over the world together for 1 week to participate in a sharing of their Christian faith. This event is held every 3 years in a designated city which is chosen by the Pope. Sydney was chosen to host WYD 2008 and out of 12,000 applicants from all over the world only 200 were chosen to perform. I was fortunate enough to be selected to perform at this truly spectacular event.

My performance was held at Darling Harbour where I sang 6 of my own songs that I had composed. Two of them I wrote specifically for WYD. The performance was a huge success and I was able to showcase my talent in front of hundreds of young people. I enjoyed every minute of it and can’t wait till the next WYD in 2011 in Spain.

Olivia Kierdal
Year 9 student

Olivia Kierdal at World Youth Day
FAREWELL TO YEAR 12

The end of this term marks the end of formal schooling for the current Year 12. As their Year Advisor, I would like to wish them all great success in the HSC and every satisfaction for their post-school life. It has been my pleasure and privilege to watch them grow in confidence and stature since year 7—I have been very fortunate to have been involved in their lives. They have proven to be a responsible, respectful and mature group of young people and we can all be proud of their achievements.

We look forward to celebrating this time with them by joining together for breakfast on Wednesday 24th September, and formally recognising them as Year 12 graduates at their final School Assembly on Friday 26th September. Their formal, on Wednesday, 26th November will be a special occasion as the last time the whole year will celebrate together.

On a personal note, their final Assembly will also be mine. After being at Carlingford High School since 1986, it is time to retire from teaching and enjoy other things in life. I have indeed been fortunate to have spent so many enjoyable and fulfilling years here— the people I have worked with and the students I have taught have reaffirmed my faith in Public Education.

Robyn Croswell  Year 12 Adviser

LEGAL BADGE DAY

On Friday, 5th September 2008 the following students went to Carlingford Court with Mrs Bev Parkes as volunteers to sell badges for Legacy.

Kimberley Cochrane
Kate Graham
Claire De Mellow
Heather McIntosh
Natalie Payze
Michael Pierotti
Alli Deagle
Damian Turco

Their excellent efforts raised $1635.70. Thank you for your commitment to Legacy on behalf of Carlingford High School.

National Literacy and Numeracy Week (1st – 7th September, 2008)

On 3rd and 4th September, Year 7 and 9 classes took part in the Reach For The Stars activity as part of the numeracy section of the National Literacy and Numeracy Week. This involved students tossing 20 cent coins at two different targets. The results for each class were recorded and submitted to an online data bank.

Why, you may ask! There are three reasons. Firstly, the national data can now be used by all registered schools as part of any activities associated with the Statistics topic. Secondly, it was an opportunity for students to contemplate a number of mathematical issues while taking part in the activity. Ideas from Circles, Area, Probability and Geometry (and possibly many more areas) could be involved here. Finally, it was an opportunity for students to realise what all adults already know, that maths is fun!

The activity could not have gone ahead without the sterling efforts of 4 very motivated Year 7 students – Simi KAKWANI and Phoebe PASH of 7B, and Brendon UNG and Edward DIEP of 7Y. They made the two colourful targets exactly to specification, and gave the Maths Head Teacher a helping hand in recording Year 9 results.

The Maths Faculty
developing responsible and independent learners

What’s happening at Carlingford High School!

September 12—26
Year 11 Exams

September 17
Year 7 Gala Day

September 23 & 24
Trial School Certificate

September 23
Year 8 Gala Day

September 26
Year 12
Farewell Assembly

Last day term 3

Parents Prayer Group Meets on the first Tuesday of every month at 9.00 am during term time in the meeting room off the Common Room in A block
Contact Debra Tattersall 0425 275 127

Lost Property

A block office is at present home to the following:

Umbrellas
Sleeping Bag
Basketball
Grey trousers, black belt
Apron and tea towel
Jewellery – bracelets, ring, earrings
Memory card and memory stick
Reading glasses and cases
Hair bands
Chinese playing cards
Watches
Keys and keyrings
Earphones
Wallets/purses
Girls toilet bag
Beach towels
Tupperware container
Black jacket
Brown beanie
scarves
Van diesel bag
Colorado cooler bag with snoopy chopsticks
Canterbury T shirt (M)
Jackets
School shoes (various sizes)
Caps
Black and white bag containing sports uniform inside
Pink supre bags containing clothes and shoes
Blue long sleeve shirt (24)
Black fleece jacket (14)
Many many blue sweatshirts, sports tracksuit and jackets
Girls shirt
Girls tunic
The school would be grateful if any of these items could be reclaimed!!!!!!

Dundas Valley Junior Rugby Union 50th Anniversary dinner.

25th October 2008 - Rosehill Gardens.

We are looking for all ex players, coaches, managers, netballers, cricketers, marching girls, softballers as well as anyone connected with the club in any way.

Please call Margaret Myhill 9631 5369

Baseball and T-Ball Players wanted.

Carlingford Baseball Club still has positions available in some teams for players for the coming summer season for children between the ages of 5—13. Games are played on Saturday mornings. Please contact Carol Barton on 0407 557 782.