Congratulations to:-
> 20 girls who danced beautifully at the Friday night performance of the Regional Dance Festival.
> The students who performed for the audition tapes for School Spectacular. Again in 2008 we have been successful in gaining spots for 12 Dancers and 16 Singers. Ms Dennis and Mrs Cateris will hold auditions for these places later in the year. Tickets will go on sale in September and we intend to take a school group to the Friday afternoon performance.
> 7 students, who are members of Interact, who assisted Campsie Rotary members collecting for the Red Shield Appeal on the 25.5.08.
> 48 students who participated at the Zone Cross Country.
> 70 year 7-12 students who were facilitators at workshops for 150 primary school students on Public Education Day and were wonderful ambassadors for CGHS.
> 4 new year 7 SRC representatives-Tehina May Nooapii, Susan McLeod, Barbara Nogo, Sarah Ahmed.

Welcome to New Staff members:-
Ella Wang who is working one day a week as a Chinese Community Liaison Officer supporting the students of Chinese background and their families.
Janet Kastanias has joined the Technology staff for the remainder of 2008 replacing Mrs Stephenson.

Thank You to:-
> The Parents and Citizens who recently held a fantastic Trivia night which raised funds which go back into the school facilities for all students.
> Mr John Bailey, Head Teacher, who donated his time to be the Trivia quiz master.
> Mrs Cheryl Patulny and Mrs Jayne Townsend who assisted with the Dance ensemble costumes.
> All the local businesses and individuals who supported the Trivia night - a list appears on the back page of all contributors.

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LOWES INSERT
My, its mid Term, already, what a dynamic and educational start we have had to Term 2. It's very heartening to see how earnestly teachers and students are working together on our core business that is students learning in the classrooms.

I stress again the importance of regular attendance for all, as the time missed from learning programs minimises the chances of your daughter achieving her very best educational outcomes.

Ms Manton, our Teacher Librarian is working closely with students and staff in the preparation of units of work and resources plus she is always on hand to assist girls improve their research and study skills.

We have had representatives from Local Libraries speak to our Senior students encouraging a life long practice of using libraries. Teachers in our Learning Centre are facilitating study skills sessions as well as guiding individuals with tasks.

This is the time of year when our students are focused on tasks and assignments. As winter bites I reiterate my message of healthy living (sleep & exercise) and healthy eating, (orange juice and plenty of vegetables) to stave off the flu bugs.

HSC Trials start Term 3 Week 4 and Preliminary exams Week 9.

Any parent or community member who has the flexibility of time and would like to be considered for Aide work during our Trials, please contact the school and speak with Ms Houvardas our HT Admin.

Despite our current wet weather Winter sport is well underway (under water last week). Families are reminded that students must wear appropriate sports gear, including footwear. This is a safety issue as girls actively participating in sport will injure themselves wearing flimsy “white rabens”. Sport teachers, grade and non grade have been asked to enforce the school dress code which clearly states School sports gear and shoes.

Thank you to all teachers who assisted us make Public Education Day such a success. I have had extremely positive feedback from Primary schools already.

**MOBILE PHONES**

**Generation Y** - we know you are able to multi task a range of technological equipment at the same time. We understand that you embrace these as tools for learning. However to learn, understand and remember you do need to listen, hear and ask teachers for assistance in class.

The schools electronic policy requires mobile phones to be off and out of sight. All girls carrying a mobile phone must have the number registered and have a pass; otherwise your phone will be confiscated.

**YEAR 10-11 Subject Selection**

We have started the complex process of explaining to Year 10 the breadth of choices available to them for the next 2 years. They will receive a comprehensive subject booklet which describes courses available for them if they choose to study full time at school. All students in Year 10 have completed a short survey on goals, interests and “dream jobs” which Ms Kaur & Ms Murray have used to sort into groups for workshops over the next few weeks of Term.

There will be some girls who choose different Pathways in 2009 and the Careers adviser and myself are very willing to meet with you and discuss the best options for her.

I look forward to seeing lots of you at our Year 10 Subject Choices Evening on Tuesday 25th June in our Library at 6.00. p.m

Students should have organised their work experience for Term 4 with Ms Bear. Do so otherwise miss out on the best places.

To all families please continue to ring me if you have questions, concerns or want to share a “sunshine” story about our fine students and staff.

Judy Playfair
The P&C held its second trivia night on Saturday 17th May. It was a resounding success. It raised approximately $2,900. A big thank you to all those that helped make this a success by giving their time and effort. A special thanks to John Bailey for his entertaining and challenging questions.

NEXT MEETING 25.6.08 at 7.30 in Cantabrian Hall - all welcome

PERFORMANCE CAMP 2008

Canterbury Girls High School had its second Performance Camp at Narrabeen on Wednesday 21st to Friday 23rd of May with 36 girls from the school’s Training Band, Concert Band and the Senior Dance Ensemble attending.

It was a great opportunity for the dance ensemble to bond as a group and work intensively on their piece “Gypsy” which they were preparing for the Regional Dance Festival. The girls also had the opportunity to participate in technique classes in classical ballet and jazz styles. For the Band students the camp provided the opportunity to work in small instrumental workshops with the visiting tutors helping them to further develop their individual instrument performance skills and to work together as a larger band to build on their performance repertoire. We were able to begin work on our new book “Movie Music” learning to play songs such as “Accidentally In Love” from SHREK, “Mission Impossible”, “The Rainbow Connection” from THE MUPPETS, “My Heart Will Go On” from THE TITANIC to name a few.

We were also able to participate and experience the many recreational activities provided by the recreational staff at the camp enjoying rock climbing, archery, initiative exercises, canoeing and a bush walk. Night time recreation included a music trivia night, some drama activities and games involving working under pressure which were all loads of fun and enjoyed by staff and students alike.

Much was achieved during the 3-day camp, and, due to its success and the benefits it offered our dance and band students, another camp has been booked for next year.

On behalf of everyone who went on the camp we would like to take the opportunity to thank Ms Fisher for organising it and to also thank her, Ms Dennis and Mrs Cateris for giving up their time to attend. We would also like to thank Mr Lane for the work he is putting into the band and for organising our music and the tutors for the camp. We had a great time and look forward to a bigger and better camp in 2009!!

Lulu Lucas and Ruby Paredes from 7C

Hard work at the Performance Camp
Congratulations to this year’s Theatresports Intermediate and Senior Teams.

Intermediate Team: Caitlin Jurd, Christina Schwartz, Kim deVisser, Orani Abeyewardene, and Chloe Smith finished fourth out of eight schools in their heat held at Sylvania High on 6th May.

Senior Team: Ashanthi Abeyewardene, Zoe Withers, Scarlett Papera, Helen Pang and Emma Kennedy reached the semi-finals of their competition (June 2), following success in their first heat on May 16th.

The State final will be held at the Enmore Theatre on June 28th. It’s a great night out. For details see the drama noticeboard.

Well done girls on your energy and fearlessness and a huge thank you to Ms Strachan for all her lunch time coaching and support.

Shakespeare On Trial

Was Romeo really a love rat? This question was hilariously explored on May 27th when Year 9 participated in the annual Shakespeare Performance, Shakespeare on Trial. A cast of three recreated the famous balcony scene and put Romeo and Juliet in the middle of a television talkshow. Year 9 voted at the end of the performance and decided that Romeo was NOT a love rat. The students, who are all studying Romeo and Juliet this term, thoroughly enjoyed the show and couldn’t quite believe that Shakespeare could be performed with that many accents.

Coming Events

Look out for the afternoon/evening show “Halfway To MADDness” on July 3 in the Cantabrian Hall. Year 11 and 12 Drama will present group and individual projects, Year 9 Hip Hop group will perform and the Year 7 Performance Class will present a little magic from A Midsummer Night’s Dream. Tickets and more information available soon.

Canterbury Girls High School is proud to announce the formation of its inaugural hip-hop dance group. Two audition days were held due to the enormous number of girls wishing to join. This group has been formed by Ms Hunter who is enthusiastic about giving the girls an opportunity to showcase their talents in the style of hip-hop dance. We look forward to seeing the group “getting into the groove” in upcoming performances throughout the year.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION YEAR 8 PARENTS - EVENSTART TUTORING

Some year 8 parents should have received a letter from the Federal government informing them of $700 worth of tutoring that they can access for their student in either Numeracy, Writing or Reading. These letters should have arrived last week. The school has decided that the best option so as to not interrupt the learning that takes place here is for parents to access private tutors for this support. Your letter should tell you how to do this. Any enquiries please ring Ms Kadri on the school number.
Salut! During first period on Friday 4 April, 7C had a delicious French breakfast. Some of us decorated our tables with tablecloths we had brought from home and Mrs Cateris covered the front table with a bright red, blue, white and yellow tablecloth from Switzerland. Each student paid $4 to Mrs Cateris and she provided us first with croissants, little bowls of Nutella and jam and a cup of chocolate milk. Even the jam was from France. The croissants were huge. Some people dipped their croissants in the chocolate milk, which is what French people do. French kids usually have hot chocolate for breakfast, but adults mostly have big bowls of Café au lait (milk coffee). There was enough for seconds, which most people had. We were all pretty full but Mrs Cateris had one more treat for us which was brioche, a sweet type of French bread. Everyone loved it and ate so much we didn’t need any food at recess!

The crumbs from the croissants made quite a lot of mess, but we all helped and in a few minutes the room was spotless.

Mrs Cateris took photos of us eating and everyone was happy and smiling. Overall it was an awesome taste of French cuisine and definitely worth the money! That day just made LOTE so much fun. It was an enjoyable and delicious experience, which all of 7C loved, and a good way to help learn French and learn about their different food. We hope that we can have another day like that, maybe a French lunch next time. French is the funnest class. A big thankyou to Mrs Cateris.

(Written by 7C French class)

CONGRATULATIONS YEAR 7 SRC NOMINEES AND ELECTED REPRESENTATIVES

Congratulations to all the year 7 nominees and those elected. Nominations are a measure of the faith peers have in all the candidates, and there were several. It is a testament to this year’s Year 7 group that so many capable students were nominated.

The elections ran smoothly and all the girls who were required to speak should be congratulated for their impromptu efforts. Their ability to speak, unprepared, in front of the whole year group is, once again, testament to the calibre of students we have in Year 7 and, indeed, in this school.

Elected representatives are:

- Tehina Nooaipii
- Susan McLeod
- Barbara Nogo
- Sarah Ahmad

Once again, congratulations to you all! It will be a great year in the SRC!

Ms Strachan

ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

On Tuesday, 20 May, 2008, 46 students from Canterbury Girls competed in the Zone Cross Country Carnival at Scarborough Park. Each student competed in a gruelling 3km or 4km race through parks, bush tracks and a rainforest. Students who achieved particularly pleasing results on the day were Rayanne Succari (year 11) who finished 11th, Stella Healy (year 9), who crossed the finish line in 13th place, and Nisha Adhikari (year 7) who finished in 4th place! These three girls have all qualified for the Area Cross Country Carnival. Well done to all competitors and helpers on the day!
GRADE SPORT

The Winter grade sport competition is well underway with Canterbury Girls entering a record twenty four teams in the Zone competition. The Open Soccer team and Open B Netball teams both remain undefeated going into Round 6 of the competition. The Open A, U14A, and U13A and B netball teams as well as the U15A Volleyball team and the U14 Table Tennis teams are all very close to the top of their respective draws.

All the other grade teams are providing some excellent competition for the other schools in our zone and, with seven rounds yet to play are all a good chance of making it to the finals.

Well done and good luck to all teams and their coaches in the 2008 Winter grade competition.

Summer grade recommences week 7 in term 3.

J. Delmas
(Grade sport coordinator)

DEBATING

Canterbury Girls High School is currently enjoying a flurry of debating competition. Our newly formed Year 7 team, comprising Rosie Schofield, Lulu Lucas, Casey Clarke and Sarah Jeffrey are eagerly awaiting their first debate with Belmore Boys. Likewise, Year 8, last year’s zone winners, are due to debate Belmore Boys. Year 11 are in the midst of their competition and Year 10 have won their first two debates against Peakhurst High School.

Debaters give up their own time for coaching and engage in an intellectually challenging activity. Most recently Year 10 won their debate by successfully challenging the proposition “That voting should be voluntary”. Well done debaters, and best of luck with the ongoing competition.

D. Barford Debating Co-ordinator

Public Education Day

150 local year 5 and 6 students from 12 different primary schools joined 65 Canterbury Girls High students for a series of workshops on Dance, Drama, Environment, Leadership, and Band. The workshops culminated in a fantastic assembly where all the students presented work from each workshop. The day was truly a celebration of love for learning as the young and the more mature joined for dance and drama performances as well as shared with each other goals for leaders in schools. A big thank you to all the CGHS students who were fantastic participants. Of course a thank you to the Primary school students for the enthusiasm and local Principals for allowing the girls to attend. As well thank you to the CGHS staff for the workshops and organisation- Ms Slattery, Ms Tranter, Mrs Jones, Ms Dennis, Ms Murray, Mr Lane, Ms Playfair. Lyndan our ever cheery Canteen Manager put on a very healthy lunch and thanks to Dave for the assistance with the BBQ.

Dancing up a storm on Public Education Day.
The Canterbury Girls knockout soccer team played exceptionally well this season. We dominated the first game against Wiley Park. With a score of 6 - 0, our defence and attack were both outstanding.

Our second game was against Randwick Girls High, we knew it would be a challenge and we needed to play as a team and maintain possession if we wanted to come away with a win. Although Randwick had skillful fast players, Canterbury played really well, passing the ball well and supporting each other all over the park, amongst it. We managed to score eleven brilliant goals with the goal count shared amongst a number of players. Randwick scored two goals, one which was an unstoppable goal from a free kick just outside the penalty and the second a direct penalty. Although the final score in this game seemed very one sided it no where near reflected the intensity of the game. It was an exciting hard game, where we really did need to step up and play to the best of our ability as individuals and a team.

Canterbury’s third game was against Menai. We were all pumped and excited to give it our all as we knew we would have to work hard for this win. The two teams were equally matched and it was clear from the beginning that the team that made the most of their opportunities would come out with the win. Both teams had many shooting opportunities and were equally unlucky, as both defences did an exceptional job to keep the game scoreless. Unluckily we conceded a direct penalty within the last fourteen minutes, and although we repeatedly tried to equal the score we did not succeed. Canterbury played exceptionally well with everyone from our goalie, to our defenders and attack and our brilliant substitutes. We were just unlucky not to proceed to the next round but 2008 was by far one of our most successful seasons.

Well done girls!

Leah Smith ~ Captain

On 12 May, we competed in the Futsal Regional Championships. Our team consisted of Nicola Bolton, Mary Vlachos, Tessa George, Jennifer Kim, Kate Jurd, Christina Schwartz, Stephanie Borja and myself Leah Smith. We had three games and we played very well winning two out of the three and drawing one. Throughout the three games, we defended very well, had good ball skills and moved into space. Throughout the day we continued to improve our good team work and team passing which resulted in some terrific goals scored by different players. As we did really well in our pool, we played the top team in the pool, which was Kingsgrove High. We defeated Kingsgrove and moved onto the Grand Final against Riverside Girls High School. It had been a very long hard day and Riverside was a well drilled team that knew exactly what they had to do and stuck to it. They had an incredibly skilled and fit substitute who took advantage of our exhaustion. Although we were defeated, throughout the competition we played well as a team and have now made it to the Futsal State Championships to be played on 23 June.

Leah Smith ~ Year 12

BEST of LUCK to the Futsal team at State Championships
June, 2008

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TRIVIA NIGHT DONATIONS

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Riteway Supermarket (Hurlstone Park),
Tran’s Newsagency (Hurlstone Park),
Mihn’s Restaurant (Dulwich Hill),
Ashfield Aquatic Centre,
Summer Hill Wine shop, and the many individuals who supplied their time and goods to raffle or auction.

IMPORTANT DATES COMING UP

Wednesday 25 June - Year 10 Senior Subjects Information Evening @ 6.00 p.m. in Library
Tuesday 17 June - SRC Cluster Day
Monday 23 June - Zone Athletics Day 1
Tuesday 1 July - Zone Athletics Day 2
Thursday 3 July - Performance Evening Show in Cantabrian Hall 5.00 p.m. - 7.30 p.m.
Tuesday 29 July - Parent Teacher Evening in MPC at 4.00 p.m. - 7.30 p.m. for Year 7, 8, 9, 10, 11
Tuesday 22 July - TERM 3 COMMENCES

WELCOME to our new CLO ELLA

Ella Wang
Canterbury Girls High school

TO ALL YEAR 10 STUDENTS & THEIR FAMILIES
AN INVITATION TO THE INFORMATION EVENING ON WEDNESDAY 25 JUNE AT 6:00 p.m.
IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY
RE: SENIOR COURSE INFORMATION

PEACE PARK

On 29 May, Ms Manton escorted Pearl, Hannah and myself to Canterbury Boys High for a discussion in improving and decorating Peace Park. We were paired up in different groups with students from all over the region. Our main goal was to create a reflective section in Peace Park, many of the ideas that were given out consisted of using plants to decorate the area, some ideas had the use of water. At the end of the session all groups had to elect a person to talk about their ideas.

After we had finished we walked back to Canterbury Girls and continued our day with the Education Day Assembly and delicious lunch.

Danielle Barnett

Trinity Church, Chinese CLO