CONGRATULATIONS TO:-

• Elouise Dimech who has been chosen as the recipient for the 2009-10 Cantabrian Scholarship.
• Gabby Craven who has been selected in the Regional Debating team.
• All students who had a 100% attendance percentage in term 3.
• Green Dear students who managed to reduce consumption of electricity by 21.3% compared to the base week in term 3 resulting in a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions (CO2) of 6733.1kgs. Green Dear students have big plans to continue to make a difference in the CO2 emissions for our school. This resulted in a $568.80 reduction in the cost of electricity for the trial period.
• SING Australia - to all students who joined in at the special assembly and enjoyed the SING, SING project - very joyous!

BEST of luck to:
• Year 10 students with School Certificate exams
• Our School Spectacular performers who are busy rehearsing. The following students who are participating in the School Spectacular at the Sydney Entertainment Centre: Tara Smith, Helen Wang, Helen Eade, Christina Schwartz, Christina Mitrevski, Natalie Martire, Stella Healy, Kristie Vranjkovic, Jessica Foley, Daniela Kirchgasser, Caroline Badart-Prentice, Keely Boyden, Dimitra Kouris, Rosana Sanchez, Josephine Falesita, Aumea Framhein, Justine Burgess, Gloria Lumanauw, Diane Chan, Jessica Cox, Barbora Pekarova, Eloise Jennings, Ianna Sunwu, Diana Jo, Coco Wang, Amy Yoon, Ria Andriani and Andreia Passos

Thank you to:
• The congregation of St Pauls Church who provided a wonderful lunch for Year 12 during their last week.

* All families who have been paying off various school costs. If you have been paying off overnight excursions please make sure this is completed by last week of November. Another round of camps awaits us in 2009.

ATTENDANCE
Every year a minority of students convince parents that learning has finished at school in TERM 4 - this is not correct of course.

PARENTS and Caregivers should note that formal lessons, normal teaching and learning does not finish until FRIDAY 12.12.08. 15.12.08 is Recognition Day - MONDAY 16.12.08 is PICNIC day - TUESDAY 17-19.12.08 WEDNESDAY to FRIDAY Students will be supervised in year groups and assist with set up for the 2009 school year. This is to allow us to complete some staff training and prepare for another big year. Canteen availability during these 3 days will be notified in the next newsletter.

REMINDER -
Any student taking more than 15 days leave from school at any time of the year must apply for an exemption. This application is available from the school and must go the Regional Director for approval. Please attach copies of Air Line tickets to these applications. All student absences need to be explained with a note from parents or a doctor’s certificate.

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TIMETABLE 2009—ADVANCE NOTICE

Students are our priority at Canterbury Girls High School. We are proactive in assisting our students in achieving their personal best. In response to TAFE student concerns of missing lessons on Tuesdays, as well as, extension students’ frequent early starts and or late finishes, and, in consultation with the latest research in Adolescent cognition, there will be a few changes to the format of the senior school timetable.

The changes are to Monday and Tuesday every week.

The rest of the week continues as per normal. Please see times below.

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FOR SENIORS ONLY, MONDAY BECOMES A FIVE [5] PERIOD DAY.

FOR SENIORS ONLY, TUESDAY BECOMES A THREE [3] PERIOD DAY.

By making these modifications, it allows students to attend TAFE without missing any lessons at school, as well as allowing for some extension courses to be timetabled Tuesday afternoons. All senior students will also have access to Library facilities Tuesday afternoons to assist them in their course of study.

* * For some students alternate after school arrangements with the picking up of younger siblings may be necessary.
A HOLIDAY FULL OF LEARNING

7 States, 3 countries, 1 summit was the key line used for the 40k home foundation Intervarsity summit on Australia’s role in ending extreme world poverty. This event started on 10 October and was to run for two days. Students from 26 universities from Australia, the South Pacific and Papua New Guinea gathered in the great hall of University Technology of Sydney on an early Friday morning.

A few guest speakers for the day included High Court Judge Justice Michael Kirby and Tim Costello the CEO of World Vision Australia. Part of smaller activities was being divided into smaller groups where we focussed on $100 to areas affected by poverty and our focus group where we learnt about trade.

Day two of our summit kicked off with us going back to our focus sessions where we learnt about poverty existing in the Pacific Islands through our guest speaker Emel Tuitutu. Unfortunately our time ended and we needed to move onto the next session which was our small groups. We, along with 30 other university students were required to highlight the main issues that we believed would contribute to eradicating poverty. After a very heated discussion, we had a much needed lunch break to reboot our brains. Lunch sadly came to the end and we were required to move into the university hall where Bob Carr, our former Premier gave his congratulations to us. Next came the tedious part as our main ideas and suggestions needed to be prioritised as it would form our Sydney declaration. The declarations are the goals to be followed by us to help eradicate extreme poverty around the world.

Overall it was a very enjoyable two days and was a great opportunity and privilege to attend. We made many friends and we hope to pass on our increased knowledge to our school as well as raising awareness and ways to get involved.

_Amanda Simpson and Victoria Marsters_

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STUDENT HEALTH

A reminder to parents to notify the school about your child’s health

We welcome information from parents about your child’s health, even if you are not requesting specific support from our school. Our school asks for medical information when you enrol your child. It is also important that you let us know if your child’s health care needs change or if a new health condition develops.

Information about allergies, medical conditions such as asthma and diabetes and other health care related issues (including prior conditions such as medical procedures in the last 12 months) should be provided to the school by parents. Please provide this information in writing to the principal. This will greatly assist our school in planning to support your child’s health and wellbeing.

Please also remember to notify staff in the school office of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts. We appreciate your assistance in this regard and assure you that any information you provide the school will be stored securely and will only be used or disclosed in order to support your daughter’s health needs or as otherwise required by law.

_Out and about in Vietnam_
Hi, I am Ella Wang, the Chinese Community Liaison Officer. I have met with all the girls of Chinese background, and I would like to meet their parents, so I am going to do a survey to determine the best time for us to meet. Do you know that a good communication between parents and school can make your child's study much easier and improve her results? So please contribute to the survey and come to the meeting. The survey will be passed on you by your daughter, and it is in both English and Chinese. It can be returned to school by your daughter. Thank you.

Ella Wang

Both classes of Year 9 Food Technology went for an excursion to the Gelato Factory with their teachers, Ms Ormanci and Ms Kastanias, at the end of Term 3. The classes went on separate days and fortunately the weather was perfect on both occasions. It was a brisk walk away beginning straight after roll call. Once at the Gelato Factory all the girls had to put on special hair nets to ensure that no hair fell into the gelato being made and then they were allowed behind the scenes to find out all the secrets to perfect gelato. Some of the girls even got to participate in making a special batch of chocolate gelato. They were told about all the considerations that have to be taken into account to ensure that the product is of its optimum freshness and flavour and is safe to eat. The philosophy of the Gelato Factory is that the product should imitate closely the fresh product it is meant to represent and so they use fresh ingredients. After the informative tour of the factory the girls were allowed to choose their flavour for their sample ice cream as part of the excursion. Outside sitting on chairs they all rested and enjoyed their ice cream. Then it was time to start back to school. Some of the comments were that it was the best excursion ever - it was informative, interesting and the gelato was amazing.
PUBLIC LIBRARY ACCESS TO ONLINE DATABASES:

- One of the advantages of joining your local Public Library is that you get free access to a number of online databases, as well as Homework Assistance programs and the "yourtutor" online tutoring system.
- Public Library membership is free and open to everyone - if you are under the age of 18 you need a parent or guardian's signature on a permission form, together with photo ID and proof of current address.
- Application and permission forms are available from the Library section of the relevant Council website (see details below) or in person at the Library.

CANTERBURY CITY LIBRARY:
www.canterbury.nsw.gov.au
Ph: 9789-9405 Branches at Campsie, Earlwood, Lakemba and Riverwood.

Online Databases:
Electric Library Australasia … full-text newspaper & magazine articles
Greenfile … covering all aspects of human impact to the environment.
Consumer Health Complete …consumer related health & medical content
Australia/New Zealand Reference Centre & MasterFILE Premier …full-text search of over 275 English media publications.
Literary Reference Center … a comprehensive literary reference full-text database, from over 1,000 books, reference works, journals etc.
NovelList …a Fiction database covering more than 135,000 fiction titles.
Science Reference Center … full-text coverage of hundreds of science encyclopaedias, reference books, periodicals and other sources.

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Online Databases:
Ancestry …family history
Australian Public Affairs Full Text … magazines & newspapers
Australia NZ Reference Center … magazines, newspapers, maps & flags
Consumer Health Complete … health e-books & games for kids & reading
Encyclopedia Britannica Online … full-text multimedia encyclopedia
NSW Family History Document Service … family history
GreenFILE … environment
History & Reference Library … history Libraries Australia … libraries
Literary Reference Center … books & authors
MacquarieNet … activities & teacher resources
MasterFILE Premier … magazines, source documents
NovelList … books & authors
Science Reference Center …science Standards Australia … standards
Virtual Reference … all sorts of information
WebsterWorld … all sorts of information

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Online Databases:
Worldbook Online … online encyclopedia
Dictionary.com – dictionary
Drug Information … resources available in NSW Libraries
NSW.NET … link to NSW State Library online databases
GoodReading … online version of the magazine for booklovers
Legal Information Access Centre (LIAC) … up-to-date law information
Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) … statistics on almost anything

Standards Australia Online Public Library Service …international and Australian standards online.
NSW HSC Online … the excellent site provided by Charles Sturt Uni.

THE STATE LIBRARY OF NSW:
www.sl.nsw.gov.au
Ph: 9273-1414
In order to use the online databases you need to join the State Library and be issued with a Library Card – this is free but takes a few days to process.

1. Log in to the State Library website – see URL above.
2. Select the “Using the Library” tab from the top menu bar.
3. Select “Search our collections”.
4. Select “Electronic Resources”.
5. Click on the “access to databases from home link”
6. Click on the “apply online” link if you haven’t already joined the Library
7. Log in to the required database and search for the information you need.

Online Databases:
British Newspapers 1600-1900 … newspapers, newsbooks, pamphlets etc.
Early English Books Online (EEBO) … publications between 1473-1700
Eighteenth Century Collections Online (ECCO) … between 1701-1800
Film Indexes Online … full international coverage of films & film personalities from over 170 countries
Health & Wellness Resource Centre … full text medical information, including medical dictionary, alternative health, drug & herb information
INFORMIT Online … access to resources on social sciences, education, law, criminology, film studies, health, medicine, accounting, economics, business, management, drug information & sport.
Literature Resource Center … online collection of reference works, literary criticism, journal articles & other resources on literature.
ProQuest 5000 … a multidisciplinary collection of 19 separate databases covering subjects from the humanities through to pure & applied sciences.
ProQuest Australia & New Zealand Newsstand … full-text of more than 25 newspapers & transcripts from the ABC & BBC.

SING SING in action last week at CGHS
ONE SONG, ONE DAY – we were part of 200,000 students across Australia singing to celebrate the value of Music education.

The Essential Secondary Science Assessment (ESSA) test for Year 8 students will be held on Tuesday 25 November, 2008. The test takes approximately eighty [80] minutes. It contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks.

Students will be tested on their:
• knowledge and understanding of science
• understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation
• ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
• ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas

The test covers work students have covered in Years 7 and 8.

P. Copas ~ Head Teacher Science
During the first week of the term 3-term 4 school holidays, a group of loud and very excited Canterbury Girl's students met at Sydney International Airport to catch the plane to the destination for their eight day study tour-Vietnam. And what an interesting, fun and once-in-a-lifetime experience was had by all.

The mixture of year 7’s, 9’s, 10’s and 11’s (plus the teachers and Mr Bailey’s two sons) got off the plane (after what seemed like a billion hours, but what was, in fact, a mere eight hours) and were greeted with humid, hot air, lots and lots of noisy people, some stern-faced customs guards and our very own tour guide Lam!

Once we adjusted to the crazy atmosphere, we were swept through the crowded streets of Ho Chi Minh City in our tour bus. And what crowded streets they were! There were people, cars, buses and bicycles everywhere and all of us, used to the calm, controlled streets of Sydney, had absolutely no idea what was going on! Luckily, Lam and our bus driver did, and we arrived safely at our fantastic hotel.

There were many firsts had by all during our Vietnam experience-such as our first crossing of Vietnamese roads (not a walk in the park I must say), our first coconut-on-fire for dinner, our first experience of the devastating effects the Vietnam War had on Vietnam, and our first experience of the Vietnamese people’s hospitality.

Some of the highlights of Ho Chi Minh include the War Museum, which showed us some remarkable and moving photos and relics of the Vietnam War, including tanks and bombs used in the War, and the horror that the Vietnamese people had to face, which some are still facing today.

We also visited the old Presidential Palace, now known as the Re-unification Hall, which shows how the Vietnamese people have strived to make Vietnam a peaceful place (not to mention the beautiful furniture used by the former Presidents). While in Ho Chi Minh, we also had the privilege to see an authentic Vietnamese water puppets show and visit the Cu Chi Tunnels, used in the War (not to mention the chance to go down the hot, stuffy and extremely tiny tunnels to get a taste of what it was like for ourselves).

Thanks to the 6 staff who escorted our girls to Vietnam

Another great experience was visiting the Mekong Delta and it’s fascinating floating market, where you could buy just about anything and see it being made too! Although the weather was nearly unbearable, it was a great experience and a chance to see into the lives of everyday Vietnamese people.

The next day we departed the busy and chaotic Ho Chi Minh City and arrived (by plane) into the peaceful little town of Hoi An on the coast, in the shadow of the beautiful Marble Mountains, and bordered by the South China Sea. Our first taste of Hoi An was visiting the museum containing the relics of the ancient civilization of the Cham people, Vietnam’s indigenous people, and a leisurely climb up the Marble Mountains to visit the many beautiful and skillfully made Buddhist shrines, before arriving at our resort. The greatest thrill for us hot and bothered Aussies...
was the huge resort pool which was made use of after every day’s outing.

The highlights of Hoi An included a private cooking lesson by a very humorous chef at the Red Bridge restaurant, near a peaceful river. We had a very...cultural...experience at the markets (nothing like Paddy’s I can tell you, unless Paddy’s sells pig heads and chicken feet!) before being taken to make our own Vietnamese lunch. This went all right (mostly) until our chef instructed us to make a rose out of tomato skin. What! Why would anyway make a rose out of tomato skin? I’ll not go into the tragedy that occurred except to say that I now appreciate the lengths chefs go to for their art.

On our final day in Vietnam, we went to see the ruins of My Son, centre of the ancient Champa Kingdom dating from the 7th - 13th century. For history enthusiasts, this was a chance that could not be missed. We were also instructed on the art of lantern-making (harder than it sounds, trust me) and got to take our fabulous creations home with us.

And so ended our 8 day tour of Vietnam. Everyone learnt a lot, saw a lot, and will remember a lot. All the students that went would like to thank the brave teachers that accompanied us to Vietnam, including Mr Bailey, Ms Kovanis, Ms Tranter, Ms Liu, Ms Cateris and Ms Mawassi. We all look forward to the future adventures in store for us now that we have had a taste of travel and new cultures. Thanks again!

By Chloe Smith
Year 9

Ashanthi and Lauren- on the bus in Vietnam