Welcome to new staff member Anna Matos, new Careers Adviser, who comes to us on transfer from Blakehurst High.
Also welcome Angela Carmichael and Caitlyn Boshell. Angela is here for the rest of 2009 job sharing with Ms Mikhail and Caitlyn is replacing Ms Dennis for the remainder of 2009. We wish Ms Dennis all the best for the birth of her new baby.
Welcome also to new canteen operators Cathy Brymer and Amanda Williams.

New Staff Angela Carmichael, Caitlyn Boshell and Anna Matos
Best of Luck to:
Year 12 in the upcoming Trial HSC examinations.
Congratulations to:-
The Senior Choir and Yr 10 Hallelujah Dance ensemble who have been selected to perform an individual item at the Sydney Region Music Festival at the Opera House in September. This is a fantastic achievement, as only 3 schools out of the many who auditioned were selected to perform individual items.

Parents are reminded that instead of sending home paper notes we now are sending SMS’s to alert you to whole school issues and referring families to the web site for latest updates.
Please inform us if your mobile numbers change or if you have a new email address.

Our new cola, covering one of our outside basketball courts is now complete. School funds, that is, payments from families for school fees, paid $55,000 towards this new construction. Thank you to those parents who are supporting the education of our students by paying Voluntary Contributions. As well the ‘Playfair Gym’ is nearing completion and has been funded totally by school and community resources. Thanks to donations from Year 12 2008, Student Representative Council 2009, P and C 2009 and voluntary contributions we now have our own fitness circuit room for PE classes and sport.
Well done to the SRC for raising $660 on our Michael Jackson Memorial Mufti day, photos of some of the winners of best dressed prizes appear throughout the newsletter.
TRIVIA NIGHT

The Trivia Night held on Sat 20th June was a great success. It was very well attended and brought together all members of the school community.

It raised over $2800.00 which will be used for the benefit of the school. It was made possible by the hard work of the planning committee, generous donations by the community and local businesses - see the separate list - and a special thank you to our quizmaster John Bailey.

The next P&C activity will be a Gardening Bee at the school on Sat 15th August from 2:00 to 4:00pm all welcome.

Welcome back to term 3 to all parents and caregivers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

On Saturday 29 August Canterbury City Council is holding an Environmental Expo at Canterbury Girls High School. They will highlight new ideas, technologies, how to get rebates plus much more. The P&C will be providing a BBQ, Coffee, Cakes and a second Hand Book Stall for the event.

Donations of home made cakes and biscuits will be greatly appreciated and can be made on the day from about 9:30 onwards. It looks like it will be an interesting event and well worth supporting.

Next P&C Meeting is on Wednesday 26 August at 7:30 pm in the Cantabrian Hall and everyone is welcome.

Dimity Flowers, President

GARDENING: Working BEE

Saturday 15.8.09
2.00-4.00 pm entry thru Minter Street Gates
All welcome

On Tuesday 30th June Ria Andriani, (Year 12) and Grace Kim (Year 11) were invited, on short notice, to attend a Campsie Rotary meeting. Ria was asked to sing and Grace played piano for her. Both did their job beautifully being wonderful ambassadors for the school. They and the Support Teachers Vision, thanked Campsie Rotary for their continued support and for their support of Canterbury Girls. For some years Campsie Rotary has provided monetary prizes for girls who excel with their work. Well done Grace and Ria.

Mrs McDougall ISTV

Regional Athletics Success

A big congratulations to the 60 students who competed at the Zone Athletics Carnival. Special congratulations to Lauren Cazar, Lynette Brown, Lydla Maiva, Jessica Taumalolo, Priscilla Taumalolo, Courtney Mahoney, Mary Vlachos, Ariienia Ponini, Melanie Gates and Sera Fualolo who made it into the St George Regional Athletics Team. We wish those girls all the best in the next round of competitions.

ABORIGINAL SECONDARY STUDENTS GREAT DEBATE

Jessica Cox, Year 10, is representing the school in Sydney Region’s Aboriginal Secondary Students Great Debate 2009. Jessica attended a training day at Parliament House on Tuesday 4 August in which she learnt about the skills required of an effective chairperson, a role she will be performing at the Great Debate on Friday, 21 August, 2009. This debate is an initiative designed to showcase the skills and talents of Aboriginal debaters within the region. Thank you to Jessica and Ms Mawassi for their participation in this important regional initiative.
REGIONAL DIRECTOR-GENERAL FOR A DAY

On 27 May, I was selected out of many to be Regional Director-General for a day. My companion on the day was a Year 10 student, Emma from another school. The actual Regional Director-General is Dr Phil Lambert who is such an inspiring and intelligent man. He is also humorous which allows the students to connect with him. He is responsible for 228 schools, with over 88 students and 7000 teachers. Today it was my duty to take care of the 228 schools where significant decision making is essential. I was worried, somewhat apprehensive and nervous because I did not know what to expect.

Dr Lambert’s goal is to visit all 228 schools each year to see how the school is progressing. His job is more of a person-to-person job rather than person-to-paper. As he said, “Why spend the whole day answering phone calls, replying to emails and doing paper work when there are things to do and people to see”. I agreed. “My assistant, Patsy, does all that for me.”

After he showed Emma and I around his office and gave us an outline about what he does, we hopped into his car and drove off to our first location, St George School which is a school for special children. It is an amazing school thanks to the staff and especially the Principal, Ms Diana Murphy who puts it all together.

Our next stop was to Arncliffe Regional Office which is a teachers’ Professional Learning Centre. It is basically where teach and support other teachers ‘bridging the gap’. This was encouraging as it allows teachers to gain more knowledge because being a teacher does not mean they know everything and still need to learn.

Our final visit was to Yeo Park Infants’ School which is in the local area and close to Canterbury Girls High School. It is a school where only Kindergarten to Year 2 students attend. Ms Stacey Furner is a lovely principal who cherishes the students in every way.

Having gone through this amazing opportunity, I have experienced two schools that I never knew existed.

Being Regional Director-General for a day has given me an understanding of what it is like to be one and how much listening and talking is needed.

I’m glad I have participated and really enjoyed my day as Regional Director-General and met really awesome people along the way.

With great power comes great responsibility!

Christina Sanchez

The school celebrated NAIDOC Week with a special performance in the MPC on Wednesday, 29 July attended by Year 7 & 8, international students and Aboriginal students. Students saw Dion Drummond perform a number of traditional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander songs and dances. Students also saw Dion demonstrate how to throw a variety of spears and boomerangs. All who attended greatly enjoyed Dion’s performance and developed their understanding of the importance of NAIDOC Week.

Green Dear planting On National Tree Day

Other MJ look alike Erica Deo
SUBJECT SELECTION - YEARS 8 & 10
Towards the end of last term, Year 10 participated in a subject selection program to choose their subjects for the Preliminary HSC, 2010. Year 10 undertook subject selection tutorials and attended a subject selection information evening with their parents prior to making their subject selections. Once selections were made, students were then provided with feedback on their choices in a one on one interview with senior school staff.
This term, Year 8 has participated in a subject selection program involving them choosing two elective subjects for study in Year 9, 2010. Year 8 attended a subject selection meeting where they were taken through their subject selection information booklet and provided with an opportunity to ask questions of staff representing the various electives.
Year 8 subject selection forms are due to be returned to the school by Friday, 7 August.

Both Year 8 and Year 10 are to be congratulated on the responsible way in which they engaged with the subject selection process.
Year 7 will receive the Yr 8 elective selection forms towards the end of this term

PARENT-TEACHER EVENINGS
Parent-Teacher evenings were held for Years 8, 10 and 12 near the end of Term 2 and for Years 7 and 11 at the start of Term 3. These evenings provided an opportunity for parents and caregivers to discuss their daughters’ progress with teachers and to identify strategies for ongoing improvement. The evenings also involved the distribution of Semester One school reports.
Reports not collected by parents and caregivers on the night were mailed to parents and caregivers the following day. All Year 8, 9 and 10 reports were posted to parents / caregivers late last term; parents/ caregivers of Years 7 and 11 students should receive their daughters’ reports by mail by Monday, 10 August.

TRIVIA NIGHT DONATIONS-
We would like to acknowledge and thank the following people for their generosity and donating prizes for the Trivia Night which was held on Saturday 20 June. We had a successful night and all recipients of the prizes thrilled.
9 June saw our band members and Ashfield Boys’ band students (plus some teachers) jet setting off for three days and two nights to the Great Aussie Bush Camp. We went to rehearse our upcoming performances and bond through recreational activities. A long and treacherous bus ride brought us to the camp, where we were greeted by friendly instructors and placed in groups and cabins. Throughout the week we had to endure being woken up at the crack of dawn (or 7:00 a.m., as the adults liked to call it) and live in freezing conditions.

The girls were mixed together with the boys (eew) and divided into groups to have a go at some of the scary and terrifying activities the camp had to offer. Throughout the camp we had to toughen ourselves up and climb, leap, shoot (arrows), kayak in the ice cold water, face fearful heights and Dance Revolution. Even though some of these things were scary and out of our comfort zones, everybody tried their best and had lots of fun.

The night activities also proved a challenge. As we were forced to dance with each other at a disco, as well as avoiding giant mud puddles during the commando challenge (sadly, many failed at this). The instructors treated us with night stories, one making us scream with fright, another making us cringe yet laugh at a terrible (and long) joke. The instructors were kind people and fed us every morning, afternoon and evening plus a few snow cones and hot chocolates here and there. On the third day we all screamed in horror at our reflections, as we encountered the first mirror at camp.

None of us forgot the reason of why Band Camp is referred to as Band Camp and every day we squished into a room and played music. With six [6] band pieces to perfect for the performances coming up, we were very busy, yet band was anything from boring, with lollies and exciting songs to keep us motivated. All of our rehearsing and work will be proven at Canterbury’s Half Way to MADD concert and at Ashfield’s music night. On behalf of all of the Canterbury Girls who went to camp, I would like to thank Miss Fisher and Jacque King for coming along and helping us on camp and to Mr Wilkins who helped organise it. We had a lot of fun and greatly appreciate how far the band has come because of this.

Winter grade finals will be held this year in week 5 and already many teams look like being strong contenders for winning their respective competitions. Our girls will have to play well however, in the last two rounds to ensure they secure a place in the finals series. Best of luck to all competitors in grade sport.

Summer grade and non grade sport will recommence in week 7 this term.
Other MJ Imposter - Ms Jenkins wins hand down best dressed staff member on Mufti day

Like exploding white ants
And when the giant is happy
He moves the clouds away
To shine on the beach
And everyone will come to enjoy the sun.

Sexting
Sexting involves young people sending provocative (highly suggestive or even sexually explicit) photos of themselves to their friends.

Beware!
Images sent by mobile phone can easily fall into the wrong hands. These images become part of a young person’s ‘digital footprint’ which can last forever! Once the images are in cyberspace they may be impossible to remove or control. This is potentially damaging to the future career prospects or relationships of the young person.

The Message to Young People

DON’T
• Post images of yourself
• Distribute any sent to you.
• It’s an offence; to take sexual photos of children and young people, and to pass them on.

Sexting & the Law

Crimes Act 1900 (NSW) Production, dissemination or possession of child pornography.

disseminate child pornography, includes:
(a) send, supply, exhibit, transmit or communicate it to another person, or
(b) make it available for access by another person, or
(c) enter into any agreement or arrangement to do so.

produce child pornography includes:
(a) film, photograph, print or otherwise make child pornography, or
(b) alter or manipulate any image for the purpose of making child pornography, or
(c) enter into any agreement or arrangement to do so.

Maximum penalty: imprisonment for 10 years.

POETRY FROM 7C
The following poems were written by Holly, Lauren and Samantha from 7C

RAINBOW
The rain is pouring down
As I stare out my window
I smell the air, fresh and cold
It makes me shiver
I still see the sun
It reminds me of a small yellow bouncy ball
I star back out my window
Searching for something
I search the sky like a hunting eagle
I realise the rain has stopped
But the sky is dull
Except for a line of colours
My rainbow I was searching for has come.

THE SEA
The sea is a playful penguin Wobbly and beautiful
She waddles towards the shore
With her tail shaking rapidly
Fish, Fish, Fish she cries all day long
As if she was like a starving bear

THE ANGRY OCEAN
The sea is an angry giant
Banging his fists against the ocean
In rage
When he is mad
He sends his shark friends out
TO KILL.
When the giant is asleep
His shore makes small waves
They tumble onto the shore
Hi everyone, I am very excited to be joining Canterbury Girls High School as Careers Adviser and look forward to working with both staff and students on all things Careers.

Welcome to the first of many Careers Newsletters, here you will find information on the world of work, post secondary study and training options, dates for University & TAFE Open Day’s, and much more. Ms Matos

**Year 12 - Thinking of going to University?**

The **UAC Guides** have arrived for those students who are considering going to University. Applications open Early August and close Wednesday 30 September 2009. As well as getting a copy of the Guide you will be able to attend a meeting during week 5 (Wednesday 25th August) to hear about the do's and don'ts of applying.

**Yr 12 - UAC E.A.S Disadvantaged Entry**  
(open early August 2009)

Have you suffered a long-term disadvantage due to poor health, low income, family problems, limited English? Can you prove it? If so, you might get into University with a slightly lower ATAR. You will need a copy of the EAS booklet and we will sit down and work on your application.

**Yr 12 - University Early Entry Schemes/Principals Recommendation Schemes**

Early entry schemes offer current year 12 students the chance to earn a guaranteed place in the degree of their choice at a participating university before they start their HSC exams based on recommendations from your school and interview.

- Wollongong University Early Entry closes 18 September 2009. Law Early Entry closes 28 August 2009  
- Australian Catholic University (ACU) Early Achievers Program. Entries open Monday 3 August 09  
  [www.acu.edu.au](http://www.acu.edu.au)
- University of Canberra principals recommendation scheme see Ms Matos Careers Adviser for application forms. UN Extra Early Entry  
  [www.une.edu.au](http://www.une.edu.au)

**Yr 12 - UAC – Equity Scholarships (open early August 2009)**

Want someone to help pay your way through university or college? Students, who are experiencing financial hardship and need help with higher education costs, may be eligible for an Equity Scholarship. Equity Scholarships are not based on academic merit they aim to facilitate higher education for students who are financially disadvantaged. See me & Visit UAC for further details and fill in an online application.

**Other Scholarships:**

- Puggy Hunter Memorial SCHOLARSHIPS for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students intending on studying a health related course  
  [www.rcna.org.au](http://www.rcna.org.au)
- Teaching scholarships  
- Australian Institute of Quantity Surveyors AIQS Scholarship Program and quantity surveying cadetships close 30 September 09  
- - MEGT Institute Scholarships Childcare, Tourism, Hospitality and Business applications close 18 September 09  
- University of Sydney 2010 Scholarships application forms now available from  
• MTA Apprenticeships Plus Group Training Company set up by the Motor Traders Association of NEW South Wales offers apprenticeships and traineeships in the fields of motor mechanics, panel beating and vehicle detailing contact them on 02 9891 6900 www.mtaplus.com.au

• Ultimo TAFE Prevocational Course Painting and Decorating starts Semester 2 2009 contact Adam Lucas 9217 3613.


• Deloitte Traineeship (Cadetship) Program provides high achieving Year 12 students who are interested in pursuing a career in the business or accounting with the opportunity to gain paid employment while completing a relevant university degree. For more information visit www.graduates.deloitte.com.au Tel: 9322 5405.

• BlueScope Steel Cadet Recruitment 2010 activily seeking young people interested in careers in Mechanical, Electrical, Computer, Engineering for information Tel: 02 472753885 www.bluescopesteel.com/cadets

What’s on!

• Tertiary OPEN DAY 09’ University of Canberra, ACU National, Canberra Institute of Technology, ADFA/UNSW, Australian National University (ANU) 29th August 9am-4pm. www.tertiaryopenday.com

• University of Sydney Open Day – Sydney Uni Live Saturday, 29 August 2009 www.live.usyd.edu.au

• University of Technology Sydney (UTS) Info Day Saturday 29 August from 9am -4pm City Campus & Wednesday 9 September 4pm-7pm Kuring-gai campus

• Deakin University open day Geelong Sunday 9 August 10am-3pm, Warrnambool Campus Sunday 16 August 10am-2pm, Melbourne Campus at Burwood Sunday 23 August 10am-4pm www.deakin.edu.au/future-students

• Australian Institute of Music (AIM) Open Day Saturday 22 August 2009, 10am-3pm www.aim.edu.au

• Education First High School Year Overseas – information Meetings Sydney City – EF language School 5-7 young St, Circular Quay Sat 8th August, Sat 12th September, Sat 10th October 1pm-2:30pm Tel:1800 251 866

• Australian Catholic University (ACU) National – open night, North Sydney Campus, Wednesday 9 September & Open Day, Strathfield Campus, Saturday 12 September, 10am – 3pm www.acu.edu.au

• TAFE Sydney Institute Open Day for International Students Friday 4 September 2009 11am – 4pm. The Muse (Building C), Ultimo College. 695-731 Harris St, Ultimo.

• Latitude Global Volunteering 2010 Gap Year www.latitudine.org.au

• Cultural Care Au Pair – ever pictured working overseas? You could have one incredible year providing live-in childcare for an American Family. Travel USA, Train in New York and earn $US allowance Tel: 1800 677 373 www.culturalcare.com.au


• Gap Year Program Agriventure program which offers a unique opportunity to live and work in Canada, USA, Europe, Great Britain, New Zealand and Japan visit www.agriventure.net.au

Important Dates Coming Up

10-21.8.09 Year 12 Trial HSC Examinations
14.8.09 Prefect 2010 Election day
15.8.09 Gardening working Bee 2-4 pm
21.8.09 SRC 2010 Election day
25.8.09 Student Drama day
26.8.09 Winter Sport Grade finals
27.8.09 Student Music day
29.8.09 Canterbury City Council Community Environment Forum-Cantabrian Hall
31.8.09 Student Dance day
1.9.09 Prefects and SRC 2010 Investiture
3.9.09 Visual Art show Opening
14-29.9.09 Year 11 Preliminary Exams