Congratulations to:

- Leni Loueizi, Year 11 who gave a wonderful speech last week at the Annual ZONTA dinner.
- Students who did very well in the Australian Geography Competition, see full results on page 6.
- The over 200 students who were part of Sting in the Tale. A wonderful show which highlighted how much talent is coming through in all areas of the Performing Arts. Special congratulations to Kasey Clarke, Year 12, who stole the show with her Commandant lead part and to Sarah Ahmad and Sara Miranda, Year 12 whose strong voices certainly shined. Combining show commitments with the demands of the HSC shows great commitment. A full photo spread and the program is on the school website.
- Brydie Ashton-Curd, Year 8 who is appearing in Antony & Cleopatra at the King Street Theatre over the next few weeks.
- Students performing at the upcoming Sydney Region Dance Festival – we have two ensembles at this year’s festival; the Canterbury Girls Ensemble performing ‘Rhapsody in Blue’ on Thursday, 20th June in the evening and Inner West Dance Ensemble performing ‘Waiting’ on Friday, 21st June, matinee and evening. Tickets available at the Seymour centre.
- Green Dear students, plus many of their mates who have worked very hard over the last few weeks at lunch times collecting used bottles and creating a fantastic plastic...
SRC News

This term, the SRC has been busy with various activities and projects, including the Stewart House drive, the SRC Zone meeting, and preparations for Reconciliation Week.

For the Stewart House drive, the SRC distributed envelopes in which students were to submit a $2 coin, which would put them in the running for a family holiday worth $4000. The money that the SRC raised went towards the Stewart House Foundation which deals with providing respite and educational resources to underprivileged children around Australia.

This term, Canterbury Girls was lucky enough to host the St George Zone SRC meeting. It was an enjoyable and also educational event. The day began with some engaging ice-breakers and a lovely morning tea. We then went on to discussing our own school’s SRC programs which provided a helpful insight into how we could improve our own school communities.

Last week was Reconciliation Week, so to commemorate this some members of the SRC, with the help of student teacher Ms Scott, sent large paper hands to each roll call. Each roll call member decorated their hand with illustrations and messages explaining what Reconciliation means to them. These hands now hang outside the library for all members of the school to view.

By Scout Eastment and Leni Loueizi, Year 11

LEAPS

Fifteen Year 9 students have been selected to be in the Lawyers Encouraging and Assisting Promising Students (LEAPS) Program. In LEAPS we go every fortnight after period 2 and we meet up with our Lawyers in the City. For the first LEAPS session we were at the Department of Education and our other LEAPS sessions will also be rotating to different Law Firms. LEAPS helps us with confidence, learning skills and to see the big picture (future). We enjoy having lunch and working with our Lawyers.

We’d like to say thanks to Miss Naisbett for supporting, supervising and the opportunity to be in the LEAPS program.

By Adriana Makakea and Mele Penitani

Prefect News Term 2

Our Prefect body has been very busy this term with their fundraising and event coordination activities. They hit the ground running in the first week of term at the Athletics Carnival (pardon the pun!) with their BBQ, demonstrating some excellent leadership skills in ordering, cooking, serving, cleaning and generally catering to over 600 hungry students! Their enterprising methods resulted in some outstanding teamwork and fundraising.

Their prompt and efficient chairing of the Monday assemblies has continued this term with a highlight being the drawing of the five kilo Toblerone draw! The lucky winner was not only the happy recipient of the supersized chocolate but also the collector of many new friends!!!

The Prefects also hosted the 150 Japanese student delegation which visited our school in week 3. The Japanese students and their teachers were very impressed by our students’ talents in public speaking, dancing and drama, our beautiful school grounds, our many modern facilities like our halls, commercial kitchen, our library and Learning Centre, our science rooms and the range of our curriculum which includes Dance, Drama and Hospitality alongside the most traditional subjects.

Special praise must go to Angela Mo who addressed the group in Japanese putting to effective use her studies of the Japanese language and who gracefully participated in a special tea ceremony with them.

The Prefects’ assistance in selling gelato on the nights of our play ‘A Sting in the Tale’ helped to the festive ambiences each night. It was a most popular activity and much appreciated by all.

This week the Prefects are all busy studying and preparing for the next round of assessment tasks and their trials early in Term 2.

We thank them for their efforts and wish them success in their academic endeavours.

Sylvia Kovanis, Prefect Co-ordinator

Theatresports

Congratulations to both Senior and Intermediate Theatresports Teams for their strong and imaginative improvisations in the first heat of the competition. The Senior Team of Lauren Cazar, Lauren Brett, Marieta Katuke, Aaliyah Bradbury; and Ly Lien have gained entry into the second chance heat and an opportunity to play in the Semi-final rounds to be held here at Canterbury on Friday 7th June! Best of luck girls. All supporters most welcome to attend.

Our Intermediate Team of Alison Cooper, Amy Goodwin, Alyssa Graf and Imogen Smith (Hannah Cazar unable to attend due to injury sustained in her other life as a soccer star) earned 2nd place in their first heat held at Inaburra High School on 23rd May. The team were simply outstanding in a competitive field of teams from performing arts, selective and private schools. The team will play in the semi-finals on 19th June at Tara Anglican School in Parramatta. This will be a fabulous night of high powered improvisation and all supporters are welcome to attend. Please contact Ms Slattery for further details.

Above, CGHS prefects host 150 Japanese students.

Thank You

- All staff who assisted with this year’s School Musical ‘Sting in the Tale’. Particular thanks to Ms Barry, Ms Hunter, Ms Reed, Ms Conroy, Ms Flannery, Ms Naisbett, Mrs Cateris, Mrs Jenkins, Ms Tezier, and Ms Wilson.
- Parent Trish Graf who did the fantastic poster design and Sting photo set, available on the CGHS website.
- Parent Stephen Jackson-Vaughan for his light and sound expertise during Sting.
- P&C support at a number of recent events.
- Peter McVie from State Arts Unit for his light and sound support during Sting.
- To all those families who have made recent donations of goods, time, expertise or ideas.
- Mr Robertson and Ms Salakas who have been very supportive of students and put in time to support the school campaign Postcode 2193 - Plastic Water Bottle free.
Reminders – Parent / Teacher Events

A reminder to all parents and caregivers that there are 3 important activities coming up in the next few school weeks:

1. **SUBJECT SELECTION EVENING** on Wednesday 19th June 6.00pm to 7.30pm provides parents and caregivers with important information about choosing appropriate subject selection for Year 11, 2014. Most importantly, the evening enables parents, caregivers and students an opportunity to gain advice from staff about HSC courses.

2. **PARENT TEACHER NIGHT FOR YEARS 7, 9 & 10** on Tuesday 25th June from 3.30pm to 6.30pm provides families with their daughter’s Semester One report card, and, more importantly, an opportunity to discuss progress and strategies for improvement. The school hopes to see as many Year 8, 9 and 10 families on this evening. Families of students staff are especially keen to see will be issued with a special written invitation by me.

3. **PARENT TEACHER NIGHT FOR YEARS 7, 11 & 12** on Tuesday 23rd July from 3.30pm to 6.30pm where parents and caregivers of Years 7 and 11 will receive their daughter’s Semester One report. Year 12 will not receive a report, but, as with Years 7 and 11, this evening provides a most important opportunity for shared dialogue between students, staff and families to support each student to achieve her personal best at Canterbury Girls High school.

Request for Support

The following two issues are causing concern, and all parents and caregivers are asked to assist in resolving them:

1. The school has received reports of students not observing traffic signals and laws when travelling to and from school. In particular, a number of students have been reported ignoring “Don’t Walk” signals around Canterbury Station as they proceed to the Station, even to the point of walking in front of moving traffic. Some students are lucky not to have been severely injured as a result of their actions. Would all parents and caregivers please address the issue of road safety with their daughters to ensure “safe travel to and from school?”

2. While the majority of students continue to support full school uniform – and are fantastic ambassadors for our school – there has been an increasing occurrence of incorrect uniform items of late. Would all parents and caregivers please support the school with uniform? Issues requiring attention include: ensuring black leather shoes are worn every day except Wednesday; making sure track suits are only worn on Wednesday and no other day; that jumpers are navy; that cardigans only be navy or black or grey; while sloppy joes, hoodies etc are not permitted. The school has an official school jacket which, as with all items, can be purchased from Lowes in Campsie.

White Ribbon Project

In 2013, Canterbury Girls High School will be participating in the White Ribbon Australia Project. White Ribbon Australia is a non-profit organisation and Australia’s only national, male-led primary prevention campaign to end men’s violence against women.

On Friday, 31st May, Mr Robertson and I attended a training day in the city to learn more about the project and its potential benefits to students in schools. Planning is currently underway to implement the project in 2014. It is envisaged that the program will focus on Year 7 and 8 students undertaking activities promoting respect and personal safety.

More information about the White Ribbon Australia program can be obtained from the website, http://www.whiteribbonon.org.au/about

Andrew Anderson, Deputy Principal

Knockout Soccer

After a fortunate first round result the brave, fearless and spirited Canterbury Girls Open Knock Out Soccer Squad headed down to Jannali for our much-anticipated second round clash. We were quietly confident, we had trained hard and the quality of players in our team, ranging from year 7 through to year 12, was noteworthy. Arriving at Jannali however and seeing that not only did they have two full size soccer pitches at their disposal but that each player on their team was a fit blonde haired juggernaut, we knew that this would be a tough one. Still, this did not deter us and we took to the pitch revved up and ready for a tussle.

And tussle is what we got. The first 15 minutes were bruising with both sides going full pelt at one another. However, what Canterbury lacked in size we made up in skill and it wasn’t long before the first chance of the game opened up for us. The daring Hannah Cazor won a free kick after she rounded her player but was thrown mercilessly to the ground face first for her efforts. The free was taken quickly and Alicia ‘the assassin’ Ottogali slipped the offside trap and burnt a hole in the back of the net with a blustering shot. 1 – nil to the good guys.

Unfortunately this was to be the high point in what soon became a Jannali dominated game. They were big, they were tough and at the end of the day they were just too good for us. We gave it our all, but when the final whistle blew all we had to show for our effort was two knee injuries, a concussion and 16 tired warriors. I am incredibly proud of all of the players involved and I congratulate to Jannali who look like they might go all the way this year.

Mr Robertson

Gardening working bee

Come along and pass on some skills to our students at a School Gardening Bee on Saturday 20.7.13 from 2 – 5pm, entry through Church Street Entrance.

We are re-doing the area affected by the recent building works and need plenty of willing hands.

Rachel and Lilly, Year 11.

Year 11 Excursion

On 28th March Year 11 and 12 Studies of Religion, Society and Culture and Chinese went on an excursion to Nan Tien Temple in Wollongong. The Temple was organised and welcoming, allowing us to enjoy different Buddhist experiences. After a short welcoming by our tour guides, we were given a relaxing lesson in Tai Chi and taught how to greet a Buddhist Nun respectfully. We then split into two groups for a tour of the Temple before lunch. We were shown a Temple dedicated to Kwan Ying, the Bodhisattva of Mercy.

Inside the Temple, the symbols used and some of the prayer rituals explained to us, such as the many arms she was depicted with, which represented her giving and helping nature. We were then allowed to have a brief question period before heading off to eat lunch. The lunch was vegetarian, as Buddhists are not allowed to eat meat, and consisted of fried rice, battered eggplant and zucchini, a bean and tofu dish and fresh apple.

Then we went to the Main Temple and learnt more about symbolism and beliefs of the Buddhists. After getting the opportunity to ring the gong of Gratefulness, we had a discussion about the mechanics of reincarnation, a complicated and not entirely explainable procedure. This concluded the tour, and after farewelling our tour guides we returned to the bus and the long trip home.

Mr Robertson

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION VISIT: www.canterbury-h.schools.nsw.edu.au
BYOD [Bring your own device]

For the last 4 years the federal Government has provided funding which provided students in Years 9-12 with a laptop for learning. This program has now ceased.

In 2014 we will be implementing a new policy on digital devices called Bring your own device (BYOD) and this refers to technology models where students bring a personally owned device to school for the purpose of learning. This is something being implemented across the state.

We are working towards a one to one program being fully implemented in 2014 for Years 7-9. We are making good progress on our plans to introduce a BYOD environment to CGHS.

Given that equity will still be an issue we hope to have devices available for hire through the school for students who do not have their own device.

We will provide to parents in Term 3 specific information in regard to hardware, system and software suggestions so that families have a 6 month lead in time to organise this. We will also have a process to ensure no one misses out.

MORE to come on this issue.

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Mathematics tuition
June-July 2013

Free help with mathematics
Tuition for Years 7 - Year 12

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cnr Marrickville & Petersham Rds
Marrickville Phone: 9335 2173

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The competition is a joint initiative of the Australian Geography Teacher’s Association and the Royal Geographical Society of Queensland.

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Week of Well Being 2013
“Giving Back to Our School, Our Community and Our Environment”

The idea that we benefit from involvement and engagement with peers, networks and wider community was the influence behind this year’s WOW theme of “Giving Back”. Contributing positively makes us feel better about ourselves and so is a practical way of improving ourselves while also benefitting others!

The keynote guest speakers this year each had a wonderful and inspiring story to tell of their experiences in giving back. Ronni Kahn from OzHarvest, Taga P’aa* from Team Keith in The Voice 2012, and Tim Silverwood of Take3.org joined us to celebrate WOW 2013.

Regular presentations at the CGHS WOW are Elevate Education, Motivational Media and Young Australia Bamboo Theatre. Elevate offer study skill seminars appropriate to the age and stage of each Year cohort, delivered by recent and successful HSC graduates. Topics include time management, ace your exams, and memory skills. The youth voice of experience has a great impact on the student audience.

Motivational Media offer an annual AV extravaganza on the big screen: this year’s theme of MAD for LIFE dovetailed perfectly with our own “giving back” theme as it featured stories of those who had overcome adversities to contribute as a way forward in their healing and restoration. In doing so they made a difference in the lives of others.

Bamboo Theatre productions have never failed to impress us with their performances of short plays which highlight relevant well being themes. Cybershorts dealt with the ongoing and ever present issues of cyber safety and cyber bullying. Crisis of A Female Kind centres on self respect, while Prout 2 B Me is about tolerance and acceptance of diversity, addressing homophobia head-on.

For the first time this year we welcomed the WAYS Youth Service to present workshops on Healthy Minds and Healthy Selves. These workshops covered topics such as self esteem, body image, mental health and well being, resilience and mental health first aid.

Parents, please explore further at the links below:
http://au.elevateducation.com/
http://motivationalmedia.org.au/presentations/
  mad-making-a-difference-for-life
http://www.bambootheramte.com/
http://www.ozharvest.org/index.asp
http://www.take3.org.au/
  story-fin0cx4q-1226645603421

Some young people may have come home with a Girlfriend magazine, a movie voucher or a family DVD. This was their prize for completing and submitting their evaluations of WOW. Winners, can you spot your evaluation comment below?

“I love WOW and can’t wait for next year!”

“WOW really helped me a lot”

“The program was very useful”

“I love WOW. It is educational and fun and inspirational”

“I had an amazing week, learned lots and I am looking forward to next year”

“It was a great week and the lessons were useful and helpful”

“It is awesome”

“I thought it was very informative and useful for my time management and study skills”

“It motivated me to follow my dreams and aim for the best”

BTW…..Bring It On:
*Taga P’aa also put his support behind our Bring It On dance competitors who will line up in the August grand final. Bring it On heats were on the Saturday immediately after WOW and were a fitting end to the week’s events as the BIO program is all about empowering youth by using dance as a means of self expression, as well as promoting positive relationships through team work, co-operation and collaboration. Not only did the senior leaders choreograph the group’s performance piece (4th place in the heats earning a spot in the GRAND FINAL) but they also participated in a community project to teach dance to younger students, taking the benefits of the BIO program even further into the community.

You can purchase the Heat DVD at the Bring It On site: http://www.bringitondance.com/

Bring It On Grandfinals are on Saturday 17th August at State Sports Centre, 6.30pm.

Please support our team in the grand final – they will be up against some fantastic competitors. A supportive cheering audience is needed! Please come in your Canterbury colours and with your Canterbury support posters and family team. Tickets can be bought at the venue and from the site in advance at discounted prices. Keep going back to the site for updated information.
KOOL SKOOLS 2013

KOOL SKOOLS 2013 is fast approaching so it is now time to start writing and rehearsing in preparation for your chance to participate in this unique performance and recording opportunity.

To have a chance at being a part of this year’s project you must see Ms Flannery in the CAPA staffroom to arrange a time to work on your song. We will be in the studio on the 15th and 16th of August Term 3.

Kool skools is a great way to get kids motivated about playing, performing and writing music. I think it also really helps to give an insight of what it’s like in the music industry, which is an invaluable lesson to learn so young.

Missy Higgins (*Missy Higgins came through Kool Skools 2001)

VET Audit Success

The Year 12 Hospitality class was called on to cater for a team of VET teachers. This team included executive personnel from Sydney region, teachers of Canterbury Girls.

The Hospitality class under Mrs Ormanci’s catering expertise, provided morning tea, a combination of delicious savoury and sweet bites. The pictures display evidence of the enticing delights the students prepared and served on the day. The VET audit team were very impressed by the professional standard and superb quality of the food presented.

The audit was a huge success due to the effective collaboration of the VET team – including Mrs L Venkatesan and Mrs V Michos, Business Services teachers, and the Hospitality teachers, Mrs J Kastanias, Mrs B Bethuel and Mrs M Stephenson.

We would like to thank the selected Year 10’s, 11’s and 12’s, who where interviewed on that day by the VET audit team and who contributed towards the success of the audit. The VET audit team were very impressed by the students responses and understanding of VET subjects and the contributions these subjects make to the learning needs of our students at Canterbury Girls High.

From the VET Team

Canteen News

- Gluten free menu and prices
  - Fried rice.............$4.50
  - Potato bake............$4.50
  - Meat pie.............$5.00
  - Sausage roll...........$4.00
  - Nachos..............$5.00
- Gluten free bread available, just add $1 to existing price
- Also available piranha gluten free chips in BBQ, cheese and salt and vinegar flavours.
- Limited items for sale everyday, we would encourage a lunch order to be placed to ensure your choice.

St Paul’s Church Hall

Church Street
Canterbury
For Canterbury Girls students only
Free After School Homework Centre and Tutors
Each Thursday
3.15 – 5.00 p.m.
If you need your student to leave the centre prior to 5.15pm or you have any questions please ring Marcia King on 0419 498 273
Zone Cross Country
– Tuesday 21 May 2013,
Scarborough Park Ramsgate

There were over 40 students who represented the Canterbury Girls’ at Zone level in Cross Country this year and from this group there were some excellent results across the board.

A special mention should go also to the wonderful Year 10 and 9 students who came and helped Ms Burgess with the recording all day. Their work was essential to the smooth running of the carnival.

We had students entered in all age groups from 12 Years all the way up to 17 Years, a special mention to Cecilia Wu, our only Year 12 who came and added valuable school points to the open age group.

The students came well prepared for a long day, and they were all well rewarded for their preparation and hard work. Our highest achievers for the day were:

Amy Tran Year 7 – 1st in 12 Years;
Jemma Nguyen Year 7 – 10th in the 12 Years;
Monique Papanicolaou – 11th 12 Years;
Monica Tanuse – 3rd 13 Years;
Ariana Costas – 12th 13 Years;
Ina Williams – 13th 13 Years;
Emily Ketchell – 11th 14 Years;
Jessica Olrick – 2nd 16 Years and
Cecilia Wu – 18th 17+ Years.

All students who came in the top 10 will now be representing St George Zone at the Sydney East Area Carnival at Miranda Park on Friday 14th June.

Ms Conroy, Cross Country team manager

ENGADINE BAND FESTIVAL

CGHS Band has entered the 2013 Engadine Band Festival held at St George Bank Auditorium, Kogarah. The girls have been working hard to perfect a new repertoire for this competition and are looking forward to presenting it to the judges.

This is an exciting performance and learning opportunity for our band, and a great opportunity for our school to showcase how far we have come in the past few years.
Postcode 2193
Plastic Water Bottle Free

On Friday 7.6.13 students from Green Dear, our SRC and Ashbury PS, Canterbury PS and Canterbury Boys came together for a World Environment day launch of our new water bottle filling post.

We have been sponsored by the Sea Life Conservation Foundation for the water bottle filling post on our site. Our students are launching a Sustainability campaign “Postcode 2193 – Plastic Water Bottle Free”.

Our canteen no longer sells bottled water and we are involved in a drive to change the habits of students and families to not buy bottled water because of the effects of plastics locally and globally.

We are being supported by the Cooks River Valley Association, The Mudcrabs and various other organisations. The Sea Life Conservation Foundation is looking to sponsor other schools in our area.

Chris Dunstan, Research Director, Institute for Sustainable Futures at UTS, spoke about the importance of such action for the globe and Latifah Jackson Vaughan, Year 9 gave an inspiring speech about the importance of local action. Latifah’s speech will be up on You Tube and our website this week. Well done to all students involved in this.

CGHS
Are you feeling lethargic/spending too much time at a desk then>>>>>>>

Year 11 & 12 Fitness Classes
in Playfair Gym

Tuesday 7:45-8:30am
Wednesday morning 7:45-8:30am
Thursday 3:30-4:30pm

Limit of 20 places per session
Cost $3 per session

Please register with Ms Naisbett by Friday 17.5.13, classes will start Tuesday 21.5.13