Welcome back

I’d like to welcome you all back and hope that the holiday break was both enjoyable and refreshing. We begin the year with a big agenda, so the holidays were essential for a complete rest to maximise the work ahead of us. Can I particularly welcome parents of students in Year 7 and parents of those in other years who are new to us in 2016. I have enrolled 29 students in three days. Together with the many enrolments at the end of last term and our new international students, we have seen over 50 new faces in the school in addition of course to our Year 7 students. We are burgeoning at the seams!

New teachers

Could I introduce to you eight new members of the teaching staff, all of whom are keen and very excited to have the opportunity to teach at Castle Hill High School. They are:

From left to right:
- Mr Andrew Edwards – Computing
- Ms Clare Murchie – English
- Ms Maja Trpceska – English
- Ms Kyah Brooks – HSIE
- Ms Tracey Evans – HSIE
- Mr Ashvin Ashok – Maths
- Ms Sharon Connell – Maths
- Mr Michael Kleinman – Science
- Mr Ben Tinsley – Science
- Mr Brad Turner—TAS
Extraordinary Higher School Certificate results in 2015

The 2015 HSC results were extraordinary. We have not seen the like of these results before. Many of you would have heard about them from media reports or through word of mouth. We are so proud of our students and teachers, for their work, dedication and determination to do the best they can.

The following is a snapshot of those results:

- The dux and top ATAR was 99.9 achieved by Dunja Tatic
- Forty two students received an ATAR over 90 which represents 23% of the cohort studying an ATAR program
- Five students received an ATAR over 99
- Seven students were all-rounders which means they achieved Band 6 or E4 in all of their courses
- The school was ranked 73 in the state – a position significantly above all non-government schools in our area
- 204 Band 6s were awarded which represents nearly a 100% improvement on the trend over the last 5 years
- English received above the state in Band 6 in all five of their courses
- All but two courses were above the state mean (students sat for 39 courses in last year’s HSC)
- The following courses were above the state in Band 6 achievements:
  - Ancient History
  - Business Studies
  - Community and Family Studies
  - Dance
  - Design and Technology
  - Drama
  - English Standard
  - English Advanced
  - English ESL
  - English Extension 1
  - English Extension 2
  - Food Technology
  - Information Processes and Technology
  - Legal Studies
  - Maths General
  - Maths Extension 1
  - Maths Extension 2
  - Modern History
  - PDHPE
  - Software Design and Development
  - Visual Arts
  - French Continuers
  - Japanese Beginners

- The biggest achievements in Band 6 were gained in the following courses:
  - Design and Technology (64% Band 6 compared with 11.5% of the state)
  - English Extension 2 (71% E4 compared with 26% of the state)
  - Dance (50% Band 6 compared with 10.8% of the state)
  - Legal Studies (43.5% Band 6 compared with 10.8% of the state)

To celebrate these fine achievements, a High Achievers’ Assembly will be held, as usual. On Tuesday February 9 we will come together with all those students and their parents who achieved at least a Band 6 in one course to celebrate success and thank them for their efforts.

Can I congratulate, again, this wonderful Year 12 cohort and their utterly dedicated teachers.

21st century communication – an app for your phone

Great news. As flagged with you last year, we now have a mobile phone app, a little application that sits on your phone and gives you instant access to our local community information when you click on it. The app will give you instant access to our newsletter without going to the website, venues for outside events and pop-up notifications from us. We will be sharing many of the other features with you over the coming weeks, but for now download it to your smartphone by going to either the Apple App Store or Android Google Play Market and search for our name, Castle Hill High School. Once you have found it, press “Get” and then “Install” or “Download”.

Vicki Brewer
ATTENTION PARENTS/ CAREGIVERS AND STAFF

If any student or staff member contracts chicken pox or shingles, it is essential that the school is notified immediately, as some students and staff have medical issues.

Please call Reception on 9634 4199

Message from Room 1

Payments can be made between 8am and 1:30pm Monday to Friday:

- In person using Cash, Cheque, EFTPOS or Credit Card (Visa or MasterCard)
- Over the phone using a Credit Card
What’s Happening in the Canteen?

The Castle Hill High School Canteen is a P&C operated canteen that prides itself in providing healthy, delicious and affordable food for all students and staff.

A big welcome back to students and staff, old and new, from the Castle Hill High School Canteen. We are open for business as usual!

There are some important details concerning the canteen that we need to pass on to everyone.

Firstly, to all those who use our wonderful online ordering system, “Flexischools”, please make sure you update student information. Please check you have the correct year for your child. Lunches are put in year lots for distribution at lunchtime and incorrect class details can really slow the process down!

Secondly, the volunteer rosters have been sent out either by mail or email. If you haven’t received yours, please contact the canteen on 96341188.

We are always looking for more volunteers and it’s never too late to put your name down. It’s a great way to meet other parents and be involved in the school community. Days and hours are very flexible so why not give it a go? You won’t regret it.

Our new year 7’s have started and to make the transition into secondary school that little bit easier, the canteen has instigated the “YEAR 7 ONLY” window. Only year sevens can use this service line. It can be very daunting lining up with much older students and this is our way of easing the pressure for our newest students who want to experience the ‘big school’ canteen.

Lastly, (drum roll please…..) there have been some changes to the summer menu. By popular demand, Nachos are being reintroduced as our Wednesday Special. This will make many people (both students AND staff) very happy and reinforce the fact that we are a school canteen that does listen to requests. Enjoy!!

Joanna Sutherland
Canteen Manager
Second Hand Uniforms - Do you have uniforms your child has grown out of? Uniforms in good condition are always welcomed as donations to the Uniform Shop. They can be left at the School Reception if the shop is closed.

Regular Opening Hours in the Uniform Shop
Monday and Friday
8.15 - 11.30am

Senior Uniform

Price List

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Please note that due to rising supplier costs, the Uniform Shop will be required to raise prices on select items from the beginning of Junior Girls dresses will be $70.00.

Volunteers needed
Whenever you are available for an hour or two, please do come and help out at the Uniform shop.
It is pleasant and easy work and a chance to get to know the students and the school a little better.
Please email chhspc@gmail.com if you are interested or pop into the Uniform shop and speak to Margaret.
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“Like” us now and stay up-to-date with all things CHHS P&C including:

- Fundraising events
- Canteen
- Uniform Shop
- Local community issues
## 2016 CALENDAR

### Term 1

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| Wednesday | 10 February | Year 7 Camp Tea Gardens
Assembly Years 8-10 9.40am Gym
Year 10 year meeting 10.20am Hall
On Stage 7.30pm |
| Thursday | 11 February | Year 7 Camp Tea Gardens                                                        |
| Friday  | 12 February | Year 7 Camp Tea Gardens                                                        |

### Week 4A

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| Wednesday | 17 February | Years 9, 10, 11 & 12 Drama Excursion Voice Project
Assembly Years 7-12
Meet the Teachers BBQ 6pm
P & C Meeting 7.30pm Common Room |
| Thursday | 18 February | Peer Support Training                                                         |
| Friday  | 19 February |                                                                               |

### Week 5B

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| Tuesday | 23 February | Year 6 Open Day
Zone Swimming Carnival                                                      |
| Wednesday | 24 February | Assembly Years 7-10
Year 6 Open Day
Zone Swimming Carnival
Year 6 Parent Information Night 6.30pm in Hall |
| Thursday | 25 February | Year 9 Scripture Seminar                                                     |
| Friday  | 26 February | Year 12 English Paper 1 Study Day Excursion                                 |
### CASTLE HILL HIGH SCHOOL CANTEEN – SUMMER MENU 2015/16

#### ROLLS & WRAPS
- 1/4 wrap - Ham Cheese & Salad: $1.50
- 1/4 wrap - Chicken Avocado & Rocket: $2.50
- 1/4 wrap - Salad: $2.50
- 1/4 wrap - Falafel, hommus, tabouli, lettuce, tomato: $2.50
- Chicken & Salad Roll: $3.50
- Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo Roll: $3.50
- Salad Roll: $3.50
- Buttered Roll: 70
- Unbuttered Roll: 80

#### SANDWICHES (White / Wholemeal / Multigrain)
- Chicken Lettuce & Mayo: $3.00
- Leg Ham: $3.00
- Chicken: $3.00
- Salad (lettuce, tomato, beetroot, cucumber, carrot): $3.00
- Tuna & Lettuce: $2.50
- Egg & Lettuce: $2.50
- Egg: $3.00
- Cheese & Tomato: $2.00
- Cheese: $1.50
- Ham and Cheese: $2.00
- Buttered Bread: 60
- Unbuttered Bread: 50

#### RICE PAPER ROLLS
- Chicken / Beef / Vegetarian / Salmon / Tuna: $3.50

#### BREAKFAST – from 8.15am
- Toasted Ham & Cheese Sandwich: $2.00
- Toasted Cheese Sandwich: $1.50
- Toasted banana bread: $2.50
- Raisin Toast – per slice: $0.70
- Toast and Vegemite – per slice: $0.50
- Smoothie (Banana or Berry): $2.00

#### SALADS / FRUIT
- Salads (order only). Various ingredients listed at canteen. Prices vary according to selection. 10
  - Caesar salad: $4.00
  - Chicken Caesar salad: $4.50
  - Green mixed salad: $4.00
- Seasonal fresh fruit: $1.00
- Watermelon Tub: $2.00

#### MILK
- Ice Break Coffee 500ml: $3.50
- 600ml Large Chocolate / Strawberry: $3.50
- 300ml Milk (Chocolate / Strawberry / Coffee / Vanilla): $2.00
- 250ml Up & Go (Choc / Strawberry / Vanilla): $2.00
- Plain Milk 600ml: $1.60
- Plain Milk 300ml: $1.00

#### ICE CREAMS
- Paddlepop Shaky Shake: $2.00
- Mini Calippo Tube: $1.00
- Frozen Yoghurt: $2.00
- Paddlepop (Chocolate / Rainbow): $1.50
- Vanilla Ice Cream Cup: $1.50
- Paddlepop Joy Twist (Lemonade): $1.00
- Quench fruit juice stick: $0.50
- Frozen Juice cup: $1.00

#### HOT FOOD
- Flame Grilled Chicken Burger: $4.50
- Classic Chicken Burger: $4.50
- Chicken nuggets (includes sauce): $3.00
- Four-N-Twenty Traveller Pie (beef or beef bacon, cheese): $3.00
- Spinach & Ricotta Roll: $2.50
- Hot Cheese Roll: $2.00
- Pizza Rounda: $2.50
- Garlic Bread (small): $1.50
- Garlic Bread (large): $2.50
- Cheese Toastie (half toastie 80c): $1.50
- Ham & Cheese Toastie (half toastie $1.00): $2.00
- Sauce sachet (Tomato or BBQ): 20
  - Vegetable Toastie: $3.00

#### DRINKS
- Pump Water 750ml (Plain): $2.50
- Flavoured Pump Water 750ml: $3.00
- Appletiser can: $2.00
- LOL Fruit Juice Can: $2.00
- Nudie fruit juice (100% juice): $2.00
- Water 500ml: $2.00
- Iced Tea (Peach / Blueberry / Green): $3.00
- Lightly Sparkling: $2.00

#### EXTRAS
- Chips (Honey Soy Chicken, BBQ, Sea Salt, Salt and Vinegar): $1.20
- Plain Popcorn 20g: $1.00
- Moon Rice Sticks (Cheese): $1.00
- Moon Noodle Snacks (Chicken): $1.00
- Prawn Veggie Crackers (BBQ or Honey Soy): $1.00
- Delites (Salt and Vinegar, Sour Cream and Chives): $1.00
- Eucalyptus Drops 25g: $0.60
- Life Savers Peppermint: $1.20
- Finger Buns: $2.00
- Homemade Choc-Chip Cookie: $1.00
- Mousse Cup: $1.00

#### Daily Specials
- Mon: Sausage in a roll: $2.00
- Tue: Quiche (Ham and Cheese / Vegetarian): $2.00
- Wed: Nachos: $4.00
- Thu: Beef Slider (mini Burger): $3.00
- Fri: Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap: $4.00

#### EXTENSIVE GLUTEN FREE MENU
AVAILABLE AT CANTEEN

ORDER ONLY