

Canterbury Tales

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TERM 4 WEEK 9

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

This term we held a competition with our local primary schools to see who could design the best logo for our 2021 Canterbury Academic Challenge. Due to Covid we were not able to run the competition in its traditional form but still wanted to engage the students in a fun activity to keep the great momentum we started last year. We had over 250 entries and the standard was very high, but like 220-252 Holden Street CANTERBURY NSW 2193 Phone 02 9798 8444 Email <u>canterburb-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u>





any competition there

can only be one winner, and it is my great pleasure to announce that the winner was Cana Lagman from Summer Hill Primary School. Well done Cana, this is truly something you can be very proud of.

Once again in 2020 we held our Year 6 to 7 interviews. I personally sat down with a number of future Cantabrians and their parents to get to know them better. Some of the boys were very nervous, but these nerves were quickly allayed when they realised that the meeting was about getting to know them better, explaining what it means to be a Cantabrian and acting at all times with Truth and Honour. We then

finished the meeting with a presentation on behalf of the school's alumni with the student's first tie. The symbol of Truth and Honour at Canterbury Boys.

Last week we invited former students, Professor Alan Fish and QC John Alan to the school to be involved in our promotional photographs. I would like to publicly thank these two Cantabrians for giving up their time and coming back to their old school and being a part of the photos, but also the stories they shared with both the staff and students. We are very proud of all our former students and with a 102 year history there are still a lot of men out in our community who are very proud to say they were educated at Canterbury Boys. Thank you very much gentlemen, your time and effort was greatly appreciated.

IMPORTANT DATES

Last day for Students Term 4 2020 is Wednesday 16th December 2020

First day for Year 7, 11 and 12 Term 1, 2021 is Friday 29th January

(Year 7 to start school at 9am)

First day for Year 8, 9 and 10 Term 1, 2021 is Monday 1st Feb starting at 8.35am



Finally, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year. I am sure everyone will agree with me when I say that 2020 has been a year to forget. With droughts and fire in the first few months and then COVID-19 forcing the world into lockdown, one can only hope that this is not replicated again in 2021. Throughout all this though, Canterbury Boys found a way to prosper. We won awards for our creativity and flexibility in managing the schools stress and anxiety, our Year 9 students achieved record results in the Year 9 Check-In Assessments, outperforming both local schools in the area and the State and we are on track to have one of our best performing HSC results in the past 3 years. With so many successes now is the time to rest, relax, and enjoy time with friends and family so we can come back in 2021 to not only do it all again, but to do it even better!







DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Some reflections on the year

Reflecting on my first three terms as part of the Canterbury Boys' community, a number of things stand out strongly for me.

I arrived at CBHS during the 'learning from home' period. While the buildings were empty of students, I learned straight away that for our staff and students' learning was firmly at the

centre. The early adoption of technology such as Google Classrooms and Zoom lessons was evident across the school, and teachers' conversations revolved around ways to engage boys at home to make sure they didn't fall behind.

My first impressions of this student-centred approach have been confirmed again and again over the next three terms. Selected examples: a renewed focus on enriched and challenging teaching and learning activities; an array of student support programs; numerous leadership and wellbeing programs; and intensive careers education.

Walking around the school as students returned, I was greeted by students in the playground who said hello and asked me how I was liking CBHS. A nice welcome!

I was immediately impressed with the Homework Centre, held after school twice a week, staffed by volunteer teachers. A small but committed group of students typically attend – not only do they benefit from individual or small group assistance, they're also building great learning habits. I'm hoping that 2021 will see increased use of the Homework Centre, particularly by our College students. There is a noticeable 'jump' in academic requirements in Preliminary Year 11 courses, and I would encourage all our senior students to make use of all the resources available to support them to succeed.

If I had to choose just one image that captures the Cantabrian spirit, I would choose a recent scene from the playground. On our football oval one lunchtime, there was a large group of students playing touch, all ages from our youngest Year 7 students up to our Year 12 students, from many different backgrounds and friendship groups. Mainstream students, Support Unit students. The game was competitive and earnest, as well as inclusive and harmonious. A snapshot of CBHS values in action.

<u>Thank you</u>

Thank you to staff, students and parents for welcoming me to CBHS. 2020 has been a whirlwind of a year. I wish all of our Canterbury Boys' community a safe and happy break, and look forward to seeing you in 2021.

Caitlin Dwyer Deputy Principal



Be prepared for 2021

Wearing our school uniform with pride

The wearing of our school uniform has been endorsed by our P&C to promote pride and safety within the school and raise the profile of the school in the community. Students are to be dressed neatly in the school uniform listed below. The uniform, including ties and caps, is available for purchase from Lowes at Campsie.

Junior Uniform (Years 7-10)

Blue shirt with school crest on pocket Grey shorts or trousers (*no tracksuit pants*) Blue school crested sloppy joe or jacket Grey or black socks Black leather dress shoes Junior school tie School cap

Senior Uniform (Year 11 & 12)

White shirt with school crest on pocket Grey shorts or trousers Grey or black socks Black leather dress shoes Senior school tie Blue school crested sloppy joe, jacket or blazer

Sport/PE Uniform

Blue sport shorts with school logo Sports polo shirt with school logo

School football socks (only for grade teams) or white sports socks

Footwear – black leather dress shoes









2020 CANTABRIAN AWARDS

An annual tradition at Canterbury Boys High School, is the awarding of the Cantabrian Awards at our Presentation Night at Canterbury-Hurlstone Park RSL. Due to restrictions imposed as a result of the pandemic, we could not hold the event in 2020. However, as a school we did not want these important awards to not be recognised. Recently at a school assembly, we issued the 2020 Cantabrians with their plaques. For those unware, the Cantabrian Award is given to a student from each year group, as chosen by their respective Year Advisor because they display the values of the school and upholds the school's motto of "Truth and Honour" and are role models for their peers.

Please enjoy reading the blurbs that each Year Advisor wrote for their 2020 Cantabrian recipients.

Year 11 – Elijah Bonifacio

The 2020 College 1 Cantabrian Award goes to Elijah Bonifacio. Elijah is a deserving recipient of this prestigious award and has consistently displayed the values and virtues of our school's motto "Truth & Honour". In awarding Elijah, we would like to commend him for his respectful interactions with all staff & students as well as the wider community, his generosity, outstanding effort in all subjects, consistently wearing the schools uniform with pride, his excellent attendance record and participation in a variety of extra-curricular activities at school. Throughout the challenging year that was 2020, Elijah has demonstrated commitment to the school community in every way and it is with great pleasure that the school presents him with the College 1 Cantabrian Award.

Year 10 – Andre Rima

Andre is a true example of what the Cantabrian of the

Year represents - honourable and truthful. He is an honest and caring individual who always has a good frame of mind. Regardless of the situation, Andre will try to find a positive side. In class he is curious and dauntless, an excellent team member and a friend to all. Andre approaches staff and his peers with respect and co-operation, is always ready to contribute and eager to learn. He has maintained excellent learning habits and attendance over a very trying year. Canterbury Boys High is proud of your achievements and the contributions you have made to the school environment.

Year 9 – Malvin Tang

Malvin Tang, the recipient of this prestigious Cantabrian Award, is a respectful young man who consistently exhibits the personal qualities of a true Cantabrian. Malvin behaves in a manner that shows his ability to reflect on his actions and learning, respect his peers, and to engage admirably with his teachers. He is respectful in his interactions with all the staff at Canterbury Boys, displaying maturity beyond his years - a true role model for the school's motto Truth and Honour. Malvin consistently wears his uniform with pride, has an excellent attendance record, and maintained excellent learning habits over the year. In 2020, Malvin was an active member of the Student Representative Council and participated in student mentoring. It is with great pride that the school presents him with the Year 9 Cantabrian Award.



Year 8 – Louis Xanthos

Louis Xanthos models the traits of not only a successful student but of a person putting themselves in the perfect position for success in life. He is always willing to try new things, put his hand up to volunteer and to represent the school. I've no doubt that Louis would be a candidate every year for this award but as it can be only granted once I'd like it to serve as strong encouragement to keep up the good work and as reminder that his efforts are being recognised. Learning and growth is continuous in life and this excellent attitude is key to being prepared for the challenges ahead.

Year 7 – Irfan Yus

Irfan is always respectful to his peers and takes initiative to look after others. He has shown great sportsmanship on the basketball team and an excellent attitude toward learning in class. He is dedicated to improving his skills through regular practice and he always helps others when they need it. Irfan is a great example of a true Cantabrian and should be congratulated for his genuine and kind way of behaving in all elements of his school life.







FAQs about University Offers

For Year 12 School Leavers who have applied for university entry through UAC, please visit the UAC website or click on the link below to find out answers to the following questions:

https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/fags-and-forms/uni-offers

How will I know if I receive an offer? If I receive an offer, can I defer my enrolment? How and when do I accept my offer? Can someone else accept an offer for me if I'm not going to be here when offers are released? What should I do if I am away for enrolment? Who decides who receives an offer? How do I find out why I didn't get an offer? What should I do if I have accepted my offer and enrolled but have received a new offer which I want to accept? Why did I receive an offer to a course I didn't apply for?



FREE Short Courses for School Leavers

Summer Skills is a new initiative of NSW JobTrainer which offers a package of fee-free training and skills support to all 2020 Year 12 school leavers. Students can take short vocational courses over this summer period, and longer vocational courses across 2021 to try new skills and learn what interests them. Industry areas include Agribusiness, Construction, Coding, Creative Experiences, Business, Health, Horlticulture, Social Media and more. Information is available via the NSW Department of Education webpage at

https://education.nsw.gov.au/summer-skills



POSITIONS VACANT

1. All Rounder Pickles Auction, Belmore - \$45k base plus super

A great opportunity is available for a reliable, motivated individual to start their career in the auction industry. We are more than cars and auctions, and exciting opportunities are available for keen, enthusiastic individuals.

In this position you will be responsible for:

Ensuring all asserts are booked in, photographed, detailed and uploaded to our internal system within the required timeframes

Accurately documenting any damage and the features of the vehicles

Ensuring all assets are well presented for viewing and the floor is set prior to auction in a timely and efficient manner

Following all WHS policies and procedures as required

Providing exceptional customer service to both our vendors and buyers during the auction process

Assisting with other general floor and auction duties as required

Partnering with other departments to ensure the smooth and efficient operation of the branch

Who are we looking for?

The ideal candidate will have the following skills and experience:

Current, valid manual drivers licence (essential)

General knowledge of motor vehicles

Strong commitment to safety

High attention to detail

Strong verbal and written communication skills

Basic computer skills – Microsoft Word and Outlook

Commitment to providing excellent customer service

Ability to work as part of a team and independently in a fast-paced environment

Ability to maintain quality standards while meeting deadline

If you are interested, please contact;

Bronwen Peak

Head of People & Culture 36-40 Harp StreetBelmore NSW 2192 0419 408 362 <u>pickles.com.au</u>



2. Landscaping Apprenticeship, Dulwich Hill

Landscaper, Steve Lock, based in Dulwich Hill would like to employ a recent Year 12 graduate to start their career in landscaping. Steve emailed the school the following information:

I am a sole trader and I have positioned the business as a boutique design and construction landscaping business, completing high quality work in all aspects of landscaping. I am based in Dulwich Hill and, although I do work throughout Sydney, I aim to work as much as possible in the Inner West and surrounds, so I would like to employ a local person for the role.

The successful applicant will be working alongside myself and will find themselves learning a wide variety of different skills, rather than the more limited variety they may find themselves undertaking with a large landscaping business. Ideally I am looking for someone who will complete their apprenticeship and work as a supervisor with their own apprentice in the future.

School leavers interested in this position should email their resume to <u>thisisstevelock@gmail.com</u> and/or contact me by phone on 0424 275 929.

3. Certificate III Supply Chain Operations - Warehouse Traineeship

Our host employer is located in Summer Hill and has supported numerous warehouse trainees to complete their traineeship over the past 10+ years.

This role provides a starting point for a career in Transport and Logistics and employment stability for 2 years for the right candidate.

No ATAR RequiredPaid Full-Time Employment

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- Gain Skills & Industry Experience
- Career Pathway For Your Future
 - Travel Concession Card

Thank you for your support.

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As we come closer to the end of the school year, we'd like to extend our thanks to you, our parent community, for demonstrating so much resilience and patience towards the circumstances we faced together. We strived together to get the best outcomes for our students despite the pandemic and you have stayed by our side the entire time. Thank you again.

We will be sending a COVID-safe summer pack to each student before the year ends. The contents of the pack will help students maintain healthy hygiene practices and to stay COVID-safe during the school holidays.

Here are some quick tips to help you and your families stay COVID-safe during the school holidays:

- Encourage your children to use their packs whenever they leave the house
- Meet outdoors whenever possible and wear sunscreen
- Meet in small groups
- Encourage good hand hygiene practices and remind your children to cough and sneeze into their elbow
- Keep up-to-date with the latest health information by monitoring the <u>NSW Government website External</u> <u>link</u>

From all of us at Canterbury Boys High School, be safe and enjoy the school holidays



Hospitality Skills Program for Employability

Industry Endorsed Program

Be hospitality ready with an intensive training program designed to develop and equip you with the necessary skills needed for employability in the hospitality industry.

This **FREE** 5-day intensive program will cover the following units:

SITHFAB002 - Provide responsible service of alcohol SITXCCS006 - Provide service to customers SITHFAB004 - Prepare and serve non-alcoholic beverage BSBCMM201 - Communicate in the workplace SITXFSA002 - Participate in safe food handling practices

AVAILABLE DATES:

DECEMBER 2020 MON 14th - FRI 18th JANUARY 2021

MON 11th - FRI 15th MON 18th - FRI 22nd MON 25th - FRI 30th

TO REGISTER: https://kenvale.edu.au/hospitality-skills-course-summer-program/





Greek Dance Classes



Commence :THURS FEB 12th 2021 **Ashury Bowling Panarcadian Club** 55 King St Ashbury **Opposite CANTERBURY RACECOURSE Children, Kinderdance & Adult classes** *Barking on site*



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