SUCCESS AT THE PENRITH SHOW!

Congratulations to all students who entered their work into the Penrith Show which was held on 29 and 30 August 2015. Students entered works from Industrial Technology, Food Technology, Textiles and Visual Arts.

Students were very successful at the show this year. Chifley College Dunheved Campus students took away 10 ribbons in total. A fantastic achievement by all students who entered this year!

PUBLIC SPEAKING

During Term 3, Miss Smith organised and hosted public speaking every Wednesday afternoon for interest groups.

Throughout the term we have been looking at a large variety of ideas and accomplishing numerous tasks that can help towards improving our own public speaking skills. This includes looking for key qualities in a great public speaker, researching famous speeches, such as “I have a dream” spoken passionately by Martin Luther King, writing speeches on our favourite topics and also writing a speech to persuade people to buy a certain product.

All these tasks made a significant impact to improving our knowledge on how to be better public speakers, and also helped raise our confidence when speaking in front of a small or large crowd of people.

Overall, public speaking was a great experience and helped us acquire a great deal of knowledge on public speaking.

By Shoaib Alam
Year 8
FOCUS OF THE WEEK

Each week, we focus on one behavioural expectation.

Week 9 - It all starts with kindness.
Week 10 - I follow teachers’ instructions

DUNSTOCK CONCERT 2015
It’s that time of the year again where students have the opportunity to showcase their musical abilities and gain valuable performance experience at our annual Dunstock Concert on Thursday 3rd of September – Period 2. Students performed a variety of songs from different artists such as Let Her Go, All of Me and Hold Back the River, just to name a few. Congratulations to all the students who were part of the performances and the sound/stage crew!

AUTISTIC SPECTRUM DISORDERS (ASD) STAFF TRAINING
16 teaching staff from CCDC have nominated to be involved with professional development training, on-line and face to face, regarding Autistic Spectrum Disorders (ASD).

ASD is a term used to describe a group of developmental disorders including Autism. Topics covered include characteristics of ASD triggers and how to minimize negative behaviours. One child in every 160 between 6 and 12 years has been identified with an ASD in Australia = 10,625 children.

To best meet the needs of our students identified with ASD, teachers at Chifley College Dunheved Campus will over the next 8 weeks be involved with 12 hours of training.

Our Regional Assistant Principals, Support and Learning, Nerida Bartush and Isabelle Freeborn, will be facilitating tutorial groups at school to support on-line discussions and review case studies designed by teachers.

As teachers we look forward to implementing new strategies and working closely with our ASD students and their families to achieve quality learning outcomes.

Ms MJ McDonnell
Head Teacher Support

Check our website where you can find newsletters, calendar items and the latest information for students and parents:
www.dunheved-h.schools.nsw.edu.au
Tell Them From Me: Partners in Learning survey

You’re invited to participate in the Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Partners in Learning survey designed for parents and carers. This survey complements the TTFM student and teacher surveys, which focus on student engagement, wellbeing and effective teaching practices. All Department of Education schools have the opportunity to participate if they choose.

Why should I participate?
Parents and carers are an important and valued part of the school community. Schools can use survey feedback to make practical improvements and inform school planning.

What does it involve?
This online survey takes about 15 minutes to complete. It is anonymous and voluntary. If you have more than one child at this school, and feel that your children’s experiences differ, you can complete the survey more than once.

How can I participate?
You can access the survey in your own time, between 17 August and 16 October 2015. Follow the link below on your computer or tablet:

1. Login in: https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com
2. Parent username: parent16919
3. Parent password: Ch18488

Alternatively, the school is offering you the opportunity to complete the survey by using school resources on the evening of our Parent/Teacher interviews on Thursday 3/9/15. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions.