**From the Principal**

Naidoc Celebration is always a highlight of the year. Students were privileged to have so many Aboriginal community members sharing their skills and expertise. This is a unique experience and the concluding activities of Aboriginal games provided students with the opportunity to learn new games, participate and enjoy. The work of Shaalee Stubbs, the AEO, and the entire Aboriginal Committee ensured that the day was a great success.

Mt Druitt Campus was successful in gaining 22 places in the Duke of Edinburgh Award program. This year the program is funded by the Fairfax Group and provides students with highly recognized credentials. I wish to congratulate all applicants for their enthusiasm and commitment and hope that all those who apply may get the chance to participate at some time.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy holidays.

Cathy Anderson
Principal

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**MG CUP**

Congratulations to our Under 14s Rugby League team for winning the MG Cup and our Under 16s Rugby League team for narrowly coming second in the final. Both teams played with the Chifley Mount Druitt Spirit, Competitiveness and Sportsmanship.
This semester has seen a number of year 9 students recognised for demonstrating achievement and respect in class. For Term 1 and 2, 43 students in year 9 have received positive referrals for Achievement. Congratulations to the following students for receiving two or more positive referrals from classroom teachers for *Achievement*:

Athmarr. A  
Cheyanne. B  
Failagi. F  
Naomi. K  
Steven. B  
Chey-Anne. C  
Erika. B  
Fatuma. D  
Fuafiva. L  
Siagasa. P

31 students in year 9 have also received positive referral for Respect this year. Congratulations to the following students for receiving two or more positive referrals from classroom teachers for *Respect*:

Mikayla. M  
Skye. S  
Michael. P  
Rani. S  
Victoria. R  
Kayla. C  
Lovely. T  
Samih. H  
Bayleigh. D

Congratulations to the students above and to all year 9 students have a happy and safe holiday, from your year advisor; Mrs Coid.
Year 7 Rugby League: Kingston 9 a side

On Wednesday the 28th of May, year 7 students from Chifley College Mount Druitt competed in the annual Kingston 9 a side competition. The boys put in an outstanding effort on the day, remaining undefeated through the group stages entire day and into the final four. The boys gave it their all in the semi-final. However, they lost to Rooty Hill in the closing minutes. I have never seen so much enthusiasm, respect and sportsmanship from a team, it was a delight to watch the boys represent their school. Congratulations to all students involved.

Mr Land
On the 13th May, 2014 a group of twenty students from year 8 embarked on an interactive discovery of climate change and ecological sustainability at the Powerhouse Museum. Students took part in interactive workshops and exhibitions on climate change issues in our future. In the Sustainable solutions workshop students were able to see the technology behind some exciting solutions for a more sustainable future. In this workshop students saw this technology at work, with the degrading process of bio-plastics happening before their eyes in mere seconds! Students were also able to become a part of a more sustainable future by creating their own bio-plastics. Students then went on to explore the ecological exhibition through a guided tour where we discovered the limitations of our fossil fuels, and many ecologically sustainable solutions currently available. Students got comfortable in a house made entirely of sustainable materials. In the Energy: Fuelling the Future workshop students were able to investigate sustainable energy solutions for our future. These interactive investigations included capturing cow burps of methane, harnessing wind power to create energy, and using the awesome power of solar radiation to race solar-powered cars. The students of year 8 represented our school with great respect and pride. And they gained invaluable learning experiences which has helped them in their journey to being active citizens of our energy-changing future.
On Wednesday 7th May students from Mount Druitt and Bidwill campuses participated in the first Gifted and Talented Cross Country Day. Held at Poppondetta Park, students experienced various training types, including circuit training and fartlek training, as well as team challenge activities. All students in attendance should be commended for their effort and positive attitude.
The School Athletics Carnival was held at Blacktown Olympic Park on Tuesday 20th May.

WELL DONE to all students who PARTICIPATED and SUPPORTED their peers at the carnival. It was great to see so many students supporting their House by wearing HOUSE COLOURS and participating in war cries throughout the day.

A BIG THANKYOU to ALL STAFF for their assistance in officiating and their positive house spirit, and to the following STUDENT HELPERS; Susanne Prasad, Latu Sika, Vijay Reyes, Tyreece Aue, Rebecca Foulstone, Jade Williams, Precious Ibekau and Katie-Lee Hemming.

HOUSE POINTS/PLACE

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Congratulations to the following AGE CHAMPIONS:

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Miss Healy
HT PDHPE
On Thursday May 8, thirty-five of our talented runners competed at the zone cross country carnival at Charlie Bali Reserve, Doonside. In perfect weather conditions, our students performed at their best, running distances ranging from 3000m up to 6000m, depending on their age group.

Congratulations to our six competitors that placed in the top eight in their age group, and were successful in making it through to compete at the Sydney West Cross Country Carnival. Joshua, Abigail M, Abigail K-W, Riley, Emma and Tiffany will compete on June 11 at the Sydney International Regatta Centre in Penrith.

Mrs Bunt
Congratulations to Malaki M, who is the 2014 Semester 1 Homework Centre Raffle winner.

Malaki was drawn from the raffle box during our Tuesday morning whole school assembly by Mr Samia. Malaki was pleasantly surprised to receive his special gift. A gift won purely from attending Homework Centre.

Every time you attend Homework Centre your name goes into a raffle which is drawn once a term. THE MORE TIMES YOU ATTEND, THE MORE CHANCES YOU HAVE OF WINNING!

CCMDC Homework Centre runs every Monday of the school term in the library. It is held between 2:50pm and 3:50pm and a light afternoon tea is provided for students in attendance.

Students have the choice of working independently or in small groups. They are able to access computers, tablets, printers, library books, and teacher support. Students also have access to new technology in the Library like the Electroboard.

The Electroboard allows students to engage in fun, interactive learning.

Each Monday we have a number of staff attending Homework who offer specialised homework help. Their experience in a range of learning areas, including English, Maths, Visual Arts, PDHPE and Technology.

Students are able to collect a permission note from Mrs Coid in the Teaching and Learning staffroom (in King Block) in order to attend.
On Thursday 12th June 2014, two Chifley College Mount Druitt teams took part in the Western Sydney Wanderers Schools Cup at Blacktown Sportspark, Rooty Hill. The day consisted of 4 games of soccer played against other schools from the Blacktown/ Mount Druitt District.

CCMDC entered a year 7/8 boys team and for the first time, a year 7/8 girls team. Although both teams did not manage to win their competitions, they were given the opportunity to play soccer against a variety of Western Sydney schools on state-of-the-art playing fields, be trained by coaching staff and volunteers from the WSW football association, develop their skills in fun training drills and they were given a signed WSW soccer ball from a WSW goalkeeper.

All students enjoyed the day and the staff at WSW congratulated our students on their great effort, excellent behaviour and admirable sportsmanship.
This semester, years 7 and 8 from the Support Unit have been taking part in ‘Community Access’ where they are taken out of the school on outings to develop their social skills and confidence in the community. They have participated in:

- Visits to Mt Druitt Westfield to buy lunch and have a look around the shops
- A visit to Plumpton Marketplace
- A visit to Mt Druitt Library/ HUB
- A picnic at Blacktown Showground
- Going to Hoyts Mt Druitt to view a film

As they used a lot of the facilities and amenities in the community for free, they decided that it was a good idea to pay back the community for these privileges. They decided that they needed to do some community service and where better to start than at their own school?

Twice this term the students cleaned up around the school and assisted in making the gardens in King block look amazing.

The tennis courts were beginning to become overrun with rubbish and dead leaves. The students cleaned it up and were able to use the courts for a game of tennis when they finished.
Faculty in Focus: Maths

This term has been a busy one for the Mathematics faculty. Students have been doing their half-yearly exams, gifted and talented excursion at Senior Campus and Mathletics.

Mathletics is a favourite area in Mathematics for year 7 and 8 students as it has a program whereby students can compete with other students in the whole World doing the Mathletics program at the same time. These are used in the computer room as well as using laptops in the classrooms. Some of our students are excelling in basic number addition competitions. Well done year 7 and 8’s.

Our year 7, 8, 9 and 10 student’s also enjoyed the senior campus Enrichment excursion. They took part in all the activities and showed their mathematical skills and leadership qualities wherever possible. Congratulations to all those who attended.

Faculty in Focus: Science

IntoScience is an innovative online science learning resource for students at CCMDC

Highlights of this innovative program

- 124 Activities aligned to Year 7 and 8 elaborations of the Australian curriculum: Science
- All activities mapped to the curriculum.
- Diagnostic mid and end challenges to measure student progress.
- Live feedback on student results and profiling across the key areas of knowledge application and reasoning.
- Formative assessment with knowledge, application and reasoning questions.
- Live science quiz competitions between students.
- Class results view.
- Teacher controls including ‘Summon class’ and ‘Restrict navigation’ to keep students on-task.

The winners of Semester One IntoScience Achievement Award for the Most Enquiry Points are:

K. Hamilton  J. Turner  L. Russell
3D printing in classes
This year saw the introduction of 3D printing into our Technology and Design classes. Students have been designing their projects in www.tinkercad.com this is free CAD Software which is web based!!!

PuttPutt Boats continue to take off
Year 7 Continue to Drive their Putt Putt Boat Projects. Students are learning the skills of soldering, cutting, marking and folding Tin. This is a great project and we will be facing off the other Capus in Chifley College Boat Day in Term 4 2014.

All Stitched Up
Year 7 students have been sewing soft toys and phone covers. They have put torches into these and added decorations. Students have learnt valuable hand and machine stitching skills.
We’re halfway through 2014 and we have certainly been busy! Many exciting events have taken place in English this semester, including enrichment opportunities, new technology, interactive lessons and everyone’s *favourite* - exams!

**Equipment Superstar Class!**

10ENI won the race for learning preparedness this semester, by achieving the highest number of students consistently arriving to class equipped to learn! The class will be receiving their group reward at the start of Term 3.

All students must bring at least the following equipment to every English lesson:

- Blue/black and red pens and ruler
- English workbook

**Terrific Tablet Technology!**

Cody and Sosaia are just two of the many English students who have enjoyed a number of exciting and engaging English lessons using Microsoft Surface Tablets this term. Much squealing is often heard from Kahoot winners!

**Year 10 English Reminder:**

Due to Work Experience week, the Year 10 Visual Representation Assessment Task is now due **Thursday of Week 1, Term 3 - 17/07/2014**.

Students with any questions are encouraged to email their class teacher or Ms Kavanagh (ashlea.kavanagh@det.nsw.edu.au)
Launch of ‘FUNCH’

What do you get when you cross fun with lunch?

At Chifley College Mount Druitt Campus the answer is simple:

- You get a chance to participate in some activities and games with your fellow school mates;
- You get a chance to interact with others you may not have met yet;
- You are given the opportunity to associate with teachers away from the classroom and;
- You are spending your lunchtime having fun.

That’s right, at lunchtime now at CCMDC, students are having ‘FUNCH’ (Fun at Lunch).

FUNCH began in week 6 of Term 2 and has been a huge success. Students and teachers are getting involved in the activities available and enjoying their lunchtimes playing handball, skipping or doing cross-elastics.

FUNCH will continue every lunchtime in Term 3 (except Thursdays) and all students are encouraged to participate.

Watch this space for other FUNCH activities available in Term 3.
Our new Code of Conduct is outlined below:

We wear our uniform with pride.

As the Winter months are upon us, Chifley College Mount Druitt Campus would like to remind all students and parents of what the correct uniform consists of:

**DO:**
- Wear school shirt
- Wear navy blue jumper
- Wear blue, black or grey pants.

**DON’T:**
- Wear tights
- Wear denim
- Wear coloured/ patterned hoodies
- Wear hoodies under school shirts

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**CHIFLEY RESPECT**

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<td>We are on task and always try our best.</td>
<td>We listen and speak politely to each other.</td>
<td>We take care of classrooms and equipment.</td>
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