



CHRISTMAS ISLAND  
DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL  
MARCH 2023



## IMPORTANT DATES

ANZAC TOUR  
13 MARCH

GATE TESTING  
13 MARCH

NAPLAN STARTS  
15 MARCH

HARMONY DAY  
17 MARCH

PUBLIC HOLIDAY  
20 MARCH

PUPIL FREE DAY  
21 MARCH

RAMADAN STARTS\*  
22 MARCH

NAPLAN FINISHES  
27 MARCH

TARONGA ZOO  
PROGRAM  
27 MARCH

YEAR 6 ASSEMBLY  
31 MARCH

## Message from the Principal

BY IAN FRANCIS



Dear Parents,

The term continues to move smoothly and its pleasing to see the hard work and effort being put in by all of our students across the year levels.

Our ANZAC tour departs this week for the eastern states. It will be a wonderful educational experience for all concerned. I'm very aware of how much time and energy has been put into this to make it a successful ten days. Climbing the Sydney Harbour Bridge will be a highlight!

I'm sure you join me in wishing the group an enjoyable time, it is another fine tradition continuing.

NAPLAN testing is fast approaching. It is much earlier in the year so that results come back to school in a timelier fashion. Our students are well prepared and we have practice tests this week to ensure that everything is working smoothly.

Harmony day is fast approaching, we will be sending out an invite to come and join your children for morning tea. Dress in orange or cultural dress and come along and join us for morning tea. More information to follow.

Fees and charges were sent home last week, apologies for the delay we have a new system that created a few issues.

Please note that we have a School Development Day after the long weekend this month. We will not be having one after school vacation break.

We welcomed Minister Kristy McBain to the school last week, she toured the school and met with our senior school captains.

Many thanks for your continued support

Regards,

IAN FRANCIS





# MEET YOUR 2023 STUDENT COUNCIL!!!

BY MS CHERYL

Congratulations to all of the new Student Council members for 2023! We are pleased to introduce our team for this year, all of whom were required to submit a written application as part of this year's selection process. It was pleasing to see such high quality of applications from all of the students, and we look forward to another year of great representation and school service from our wonderful SC team.

Year 12 - Fatihah (School Captain), Saufi (School Captain), Jun, Cassandra

Year 11 - Ayu, Rosie, Amaniena

Year 10 - Ikram, Emilee, Freya

Year 9 - Wei, Kai Qi

Year 8 - Sophia, Tianna, Naila, Clancy, Inayah

Year 7 - Abby, Xing Chun, Alexia, Kaison

Year 6 - Ben (Primary Captain), Khalil (Primary Captain), Ronan, Elliot, Nathan, Matilda, Rhani, Kobi





# KELLEY CHISHOLM INSPIRATION

BY MS KATHY

The Year 10 students were fortunate to listen to PRL Guest Speaker, Kelley Chisholm, as she shared her passion for international development through grass roots community action. Kelley shared her pathway through many careers until she found her passion in women's community groups. She studied a Masters of International Development and now helps women in towns and villages across Rwanda, India and Cambodia through the Foxglove Project. Women's groups come together to encourage each other, to become literate and numerate, then start their own small businesses to support their families and their local economy.



## CRUNCH & SIP

Crunch&Sip® is a break that encourages kids to reach for vegies, fruits and water to refuel in the classroom. Support these healthy behaviours by only providing foods from the "Allowed" list below.

✓ ALLOWED	✗ NOT ALLOWED
✓ Raw or fresh vegies	✗ Dips, jams, or jellies
✓ Cooked vegies	✗ Processed fruit products (straps, roll-ups, bars)
✓ Raw or fresh fruit	✗ Vegie or potato crisps or chips
✓ Tinned fruit in water or juice only	✗ Baked goods (pies, cakes, fritters, quiches)
✓ Dried Fruit - in limited amounts	✗ Grain snacks (popcorn, crackers)
✓ Water	✗ Any drinks other than plain water

# HARMONY DAY



**FRIDAY 17TH MARCH  
2023**

Families are invited to come and have a picnic morning tea with their children at 9.50. Recess has been extended to 45 minutes.

Students are encouraged to wear cultural dress or orange clothing.

No cost just bring yourself and your morning tea!!

*Celebrating Cultural Diversity*





# CRAZY ABOUT NUMBERS!

BY MS RHI

In Year 1, we have been learning all about numbers to 99. We have spent the first few weeks building, writing, drawing and comparing every number you could possibly think of!

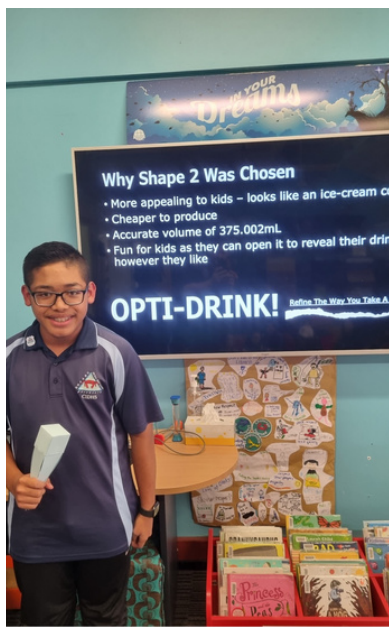




# YEAR 10 MATHS

BY MR STANDISH

The year 10s have been working on designing drink containers for our topic of measurement. They had to create 2 designs, and present 1 to the class looking at volume, surface area, cost, practicality etc.





# WOMEN OF CHRISTMAS ISLAND

YOU ARE INVITED TO

*celebrate*

## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

DINNER | WOMEN'S HEALTH EXPO & SPEAKER | PRIZES  
ZUMBA | LINE DANCING | INTRO GYM | YOGA | ART

**18**  
**MARCH**  
**2023**



DOORS OPEN  
**6PM**

FOR THE HEALTH EXPO  
ACTIVITIES START  
**6.30PM**

THIS IS A FREE EVENT HELD AT THE RECREATION CENTRE AND INCLUDES DINNER (HALAL).

\*THIS IS A CHILD FREE EVENT FOR WOMEN

**THEME: DRESS TO BE ACTIVE IN PINK AND / OR PURPLE!  
PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED!**



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# NAPLAN

BY MS TINA

NAPLAN is the national literacy and numeracy assessment for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 each year. This year it is scheduled to take place earlier - between Wednesday 15 March and 27 March.

The plan for our school is:

Writing: Wednesday 15 March

Reading: Wednesday 22 March

Conventions of Language: Thursday 23 March

Numeracy: Friday 24 March



## JOIN OUR PLAYGROUP

Playgroup is on every Tuesday 9am - 11am at CIDHS and is free for all.

Meet Miss Sharon at the library at 9am for rhymes and reading then off to the Pre Primary room for playtime and chats with other parents.

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN OUR SCHOOL COUNCIL?

We have two positions available for parents/teachers to join our School Council. Would you like to be part of the team that makes changes and suggestions? The School Council meet once a term. Please contact Leonard Stapp on [lstappy@yahoo.com.au](mailto:lstappy@yahoo.com.au)