

Chifley College Dunheved Campus

Learn Discover Inspire



25th August 2025

Dear Dunheved Community,

Please find the latest updates, key information and important calendar items to keep you informed and engaged for week 6. We hope these details help you stay up to date with all that's happening in our school community.

Year 8-9 2026 Elective Showcase

A friendly reminder to our parents/carers and students from our year 8 cohort, our Year 8-9 2026 Elective Showcase at Chifley College Dunheved Campus is happening this Thursday 28th of August. This important event will run from 5pm to 6pm in the school library. The showcase is a fantastic opportunity to explore the range of elective subjects available for the upcoming academic year.

You'll have the chance to:

- Discover the exciting electives on offer and how they can enhance your child's learning experience.
- Meet and engage with our dedicated teachers to gain insights into each subject.
- Help your child make informed decisions about their future studies based on their interests and goals.

Your participation is crucial in supporting your child's educational journey. We look forward to seeing you there and working together to ensure the best possible choices for our students.



Assets Update: Agriculture Farm Fencing

We are excited to inform our school community that the much-needed upgrade of our Agriculture Farm is nearly complete.

As part of this project, the farm fencing has been upgraded to ensure the safety and security of both our students and animals. This improvement supports a more functional and secure learning environment for our TAS and agricultural studies.

In addition, we are in the process of installing a shed shelter for our newest residents, who will be joining us in just a couple of weeks — Sugar Pie and Libby, two pregnant alpacas. These gentle animals will soon become an important part of our school farm. Alpacas will provide students with valuable hands-on learning experiences in animal care, agricultural practices, and responsibility. We can't wait to welcome them into our school community!



Parent and Teacher Interview Evening – SAVE THE DATE!

Our second Parent/Teacher Interview Evening will be held in Week 9 — Wednesday, 17th September 2025, from 3:00pm to 6:00pm. Please mark this date in your diary as a reminder.



Our school community will be notified via the Parent Portal once interview bookings are open. This important event provides an opportunity for teachers and parents to discuss student progress and strengthen the home-school partnership. We look forward to your participation.

School Uniform reminder

As the weather warms up, we want to remind all families of the importance of adhering to our school uniform guidelines at Chifley College Dunheved Campus. Properly wearing the correct uniform ensures that every student is easily identifiable, upholding our school's standards and a sense of unity. Wearing school uniform helps maintain a consistent and professional environment that supports all students' focus and learning.

School uniform can be purchased at LOWES at Westfield Mt Druitt. If assistance is needed in purchasing school uniform, please contact the front office. We appreciate your cooperation in helping us foster a cohesive and respectful school community.



Staff Profile – Mr Koch: Relieving Head Teacher TAS

• What do you love the most about working at CCDC?

I truly value the staff and the genuine dedication they show toward student success. Their commitment goes far beyond the classroom—they take the time to build meaningful connections, support individual growth, and create an environment where every student feels encouraged to reach their potential. What stands out most is how deeply they care about the broader community, continually working to provide unique opportunities and experiences for students that you simply don't find in other settings. Their passion and commitment make this a special place.

• What's one fun fact students or families might not know about you?

I love shoes and have a nice collection of new school and old school sneakers. Reebok made a few crazy pairs in collaboration with Keith Haring and Daniel Moone. I like to import interesting shoes from America. My Reebok and NERF collaboration shoes get a lot of comments.

• Do you have a favourite book, movie, or music genre?

My favourite music genres are heavy metal and hard rock. I like the energy and speed. They capture emotion in a unique way, whether it's guitar, drums, or the passion behind the lyrics and vocals, it makes me feel energised.

• Do you have any hobbies or special interests?

I have been playing baseball for 34 years, and over that time, the game has become a lifelong passion for me. Alongside playing, I've also had the privilege of coaching both children and adults, helping them develop their skills while fostering a love for the sport. One of the most rewarding experiences has been the opportunity to coach my two sons and their team. Being able to share the game I love with them, while guiding their growth both on and off the field, is something I am fortunate to experience.

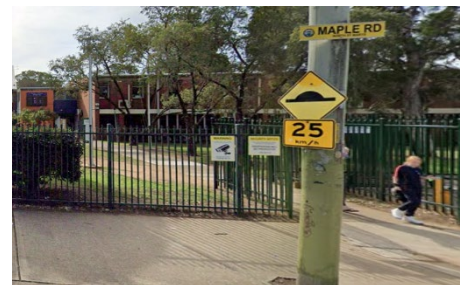


Safety Reminder – End of School Day Procedures

This is a friendly reminder for our students, parents, and carers regarding safe practices at the end of the school day. All students, parents, and carers must enter and leave via the front school gate. We have received reports that some individuals are waiting near the electronic car park gates and using the school car park to enter or exit. This is very unsafe, as staff vehicles are also exiting at this time.

To help keep everyone safe, can we please:

- Ensure all students are reminded to use the front gate.
- Avoid gathering near or using the car park gates to enter or leave the school.
- Reinforce this message at home to support a safe school environment for all.



Please note: Students who need to catch a bus home are to wait in the bus bay area, located behind the school fence, where they will be supervised until their bus arrives. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school community safe.

TERM 3 2025 DATES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>
Monday 18 th August	Year 10 Subject Selection with Senior Campus
Thursday 21 st August	Fast Forward University Day – Year 9
Monday 25 th August	Clontarf – Bunnings worksite visit
Tuesday 26 th August	Library Enrichment Day – selected Stage 5
Thursday 28 th August	Year 8 into 9 2026 Elective showcase: 5pm to 6pm
Monday 1 st September	Clontarf – Bunnings worksite visit
Tuesday 2 nd September	NISEP Science Expo – Dunheved Campus
Wednesday 3 rd September	Silver Linings workshop – Year 10 female students Western Sydney Inclusion Shield
Friday 5 th September	WSU Unlocking Careers excursion – Humanities & Creative Industries
Monday 8 th September	Flag Football competition
Wednesday 10 th September	P&C meeting @ 4:30pm – all welcome
Thursday 11 th September	RUOK Day
Monday 15 th September	Stage 5 Whitecard Training
Wednesday 17 th September	Parent/Teacher/Student Interview Evening – School Library
Friday 19 th September	Pathways To Dreaming excursion Stage 5 Whitecard Training
Tuesday 23 rd September	CDL Multi Sport Day
Friday 26 th September	Student Celebration Assemblies • Stage 4 – period 1 • Stage 5 – period 2

Warm regards,
Mrs Azzopardi
Principal

