

Chifley College Dunheved Campus

Learn Discover Inspire



13th October 2025

Dear Dunheved Community,

Welcome back! We hope everyone had a safe and relaxing break, ready for the exciting and busy school term ahead.

Please find the latest updates, key information and important calendar items to keep you informed and engaged for week 1. We hope these details help you stay up to date with all that's happening in our school community.

2026 Student Leadership Team

Late last term we held our Student Leadership election for 2026. Sixteen students addressed the school community, highlighting their unique goals, leadership qualities, and commitment to making a positive impact. Students voiced their ideas on fostering inclusivity, improving school spirit, and enhancing academic support, inspiring their peers to think about the values they want in their leaders.

We are excited to announce that the following students will form our leadership group for 2026:

School Captains: Anthony Lattouf & Teancum Tauasa

School Vice Captains: Mohamed Bah & Jayla Tunoho

School Prefects: Talliah Lynch, Izac Smith, Miriam Koroma and Cooper Starr



The induction of our new school leadership team for 2026 will be held on Monday 1st of December at our Presentation evening. We are excited about the positive impact they will bring to our school next year.

Attendance

We are looking forward to welcoming our students back in classrooms tomorrow, Tuesday 14th of October 2025. Every day matters for your child's learning, as does them ensuring they are in the right place at the right time throughout the day. This begins with them knowing what their timetable is each day and ensuring they are equipped for those lessons.

At CCDC, we monitor both overall student attendance and attendance in each individual subject. Attendance Reports will continue to be emailed to parents and carers and published on the Sentral Parent Portal at the mid-point and end of each term. Students also receive a hard copy of their 5-week Attendance Report.

If your child is absent from school, please let us know why as soon as possible, either by replying to the SMS absence message or via email or a phone call to the school. All student absences from school should be explained by a parent or carer.

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Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:

- Learn
- Build friendships
- Develop life skills

Days missed = years lost
A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
1 day per fortnight	= 4 weeks	= Over 1 year missed
1 day per week	= 8 weeks	= Over 2.5 years missed

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GenerationSTEM Showcase – All Welcome!

We are excited to invite parents, carers, and community members to our GenerationSTEM Public Showcase, where our Year 10 students will present the innovative solutions, they have been developing to tackle local challenges.



This year, our year 10 Namatjira and Goodes classes have been involved in CSIRO's STEM Community Partnerships Program, which connects schools with local industry partners to inspire students about future STEM careers and provide opportunities to apply their skills in real-world contexts. With support from their teachers and industry mentors, students have explored important issues facing the Penrith region, including heat stress and flooding. They have worked collaboratively to design creative solutions, which will be on display at the Showcase. This event is a celebration of our students' hard work, creativity, and problem-solving. We encourage our school community to come along, view the projects, ask questions, and support the next generation of innovators. 🌸 Please register your attendance using the QR code or link provided below:

<https://events.csiro.au/Events/2025/June/24/Generation-STEM-WS-Penrith-Showcase-2025?d=req>

Assessment & Reporting

Term 4 is a significant time in the school year as students complete their final assessment tasks and teachers prepare Semester 2 academic reports. Formal assessments will take place during the first half of the term, followed by marking and report writing.

Assessment &
Reporting

We encourage all students to stay focused in every lesson, complete tasks to the best of their ability, and seek guidance from their teachers if they are unsure of expectations. This is an opportunity for students to build on their Semester 1 results, aiming to show growth in both effort and achievement.

In case you missed it...Celebrating End of Term 3 Achievements!

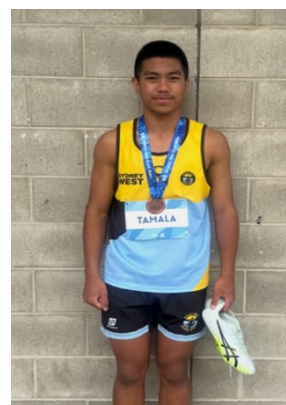
The end of Term 3 was a busy and rewarding time, filled with outstanding achievements from both our students and staff.

🌸 **Haka Warriors Performance** – Our school proudly competed in the PCYC NSW Haka Warriors Program, coming away with two third-place finishes.

🏅 **Athletics Success** – Congratulations to Genesis Tamala, who placed third in the 100m event at the NSW All Schools Athletics Competition at Sydney Olympic Park. Genesis raced against the very best from public, Catholic, and independent schools across the state and came away with a well-deserved bronze medal.

🏆 **Staff Achievement** – We also celebrate the incredible success of our staff member, Monique Donovan, who played a key role in leading her team, the Cronulla Sharks, to victory in the 2025 Harvey Norman NSW Women's Premiership.

🎉 **Celebration Assemblies** – CCDC held Celebration Assemblies dedicated to recognising and honouring the outstanding achievements and outstanding attendance of our students throughout Term 3.



Our New CCDC School Bus

We are excited to announce that our very own CCDC school bus has finally arrived! This will make a huge difference in supporting transport for excursions, carnivals, and community events, while also giving our students greater access to opportunities beyond the school gates.

A special thank you goes to Chelsea Cooper, a proud ex-Dunheved Campus student, whose incredible artwork features in the bus design.

We also acknowledge and thank Mr Koch for his artistic contribution, which helped bring the final design to life.



This bus is not just a vehicle—it's a symbol of connection, opportunity, and pride for our school community.

TERM 4 2025 DATES

Date	Activity
Monday 13 th October	School Development Day – staff only
Tuesday 14 th October	All students commence school – formal assembly
Thursday 23 rd October	Multicultural Day Concert – periods 4 and 5
Thursday 30 th October	PLP Celebration Afternoon – community event
Wednesday 5 th November	P&C Association Meeting @ 4:30pm – all welcome
Wednesday 12 th November	Clontarf Awards Ceremony
Monday 17 th November	Water Awareness – year 7
Tuesday 18 th November	Water Awareness – year 8
Wednesday 19 th November	Water Awareness – Stage 5
WEEK 7 – Monday 24th November to Thursday 27th November – Success @ Senior: year 10	
Wednesday 26 th November	Learn To Swim lessons – year 7
Thursday 27 th November	Learn To Swim lessons – year 7
Friday 28 th November	CCDC Sports Assembly
Monday 1 st December	CCDC 2025 Presentation Assembly @ St Marys Leagues Club – students award recipients and their families
Tuesday 2 nd December	Year 6-7 2026 Orientation Day Year 10 Formal
Monday 8 th December	Chifley College Presentation Assembly @ Senior Campus – student award recipients and their families
Wednesday 10 th December	Solid Ground end-of-year excursion
Friday 12 th December	Year 10 Graduation 10am to 12pm - ticketed event
Friday 19 th December	Last day of school for 2025

**** Additional events will be included to the Term 4 table as the term progresses****

Warm regards,
Mrs Azzopardi
Principal