Senior Sub School Newsletter

We are edging closer and closer towards the half way mark for the year. It has gone incredibly quickly but there are still so many exciting things ahead.

Cross Country

On Friday 20th May Cornish College held the district cross country. There were 40 students from Chelsea Heights Primary School who had made it through to District. The Level 5 and 6 students covered 3kms, with the Level 3 and 4 students running 2kms. The oldest levels went first and there was lots of nervous energy under the Chelsea Heights Marquee. Everyone who ran put in a great effort and we were very proud of each student who participated.

Maths

The Senior School have been exploring the topic of probability and chance in Mathematics. Students have participated in activities that allow them to predict the probability of an event and describe using terms such as likely and unlikely as well as fractions or percentages.

Literacy

The senior school has now moved on from our unit on exposition writing and are currently looking at procedural writing. A **procedure** is an established way of doing something. Whenever you read how-to guides or follow step-by-step instructions, you're using procedural writing. Using procedural writing helps you accomplish a goal; it gives instructions for completing both common and complex goals. Some topics that lend themselves to procedural writing include:

- **Directions**: driving directions to the airport
- **Recipes**: how to bake chocolate chip cookies
- **Standard Operating Procedures**: how to handle a refund
- **Online Help**: how to track document changes
- **Technology Manuals**: how to use your cell phone
- **Science Projects**: how to make a paperclip float

**Level 6 Camp**

**The Summit**

**By Eric and Jimmy**

*Once we arrived at the Summit Camp, we were greeted by Anya one of the camp instructors. She talked about the camp for a little bit then she taught us about the camp’s values which was G.A.S (Give it a go, Ability, Support). After that we played games that required us to work as a team.*

*Straight after that we had our lunch and checked out our tents that we were sleeping in. Then we went to the BBQ shelter to meet more of the camp staff. Their names were Julia, Bill & Nick including Anya.*

*Our favourite activities were; giant swing, laser skirmish, Tash’s ladder.*

*The Giant Swing had a staggering height of 22 metres and it was a great experience for all of us. Laser Skirmish was the activity that tested our accuracy and survival skills. All of the groups were put into a battlefield where we had a humongous game of Laser Tag. Tash’s Ladder was a ladder put up 15 metres in the air. Our objective was to climb to the top, lean on the edge and spread your arms out.*

*The Summit Camp was a great experience for all of us, we all learnt something new and some of us got over our biggest fears. Special thanks to The Summit Staff, Barry and Ryan.*
Level 5 Camp Coolamatong

Recount: By Dylan O’Neill

On the 16th May 2016 the grade 5s went to Camp Coolamatong. I was very excited about going because my mum went to the camp when she was in grade 5. It took us about four hours to get there but it was worth it.

Day 1: We arrived at Camp Coolamatong and the staff welcomed us and settled into our bunkrooms. I was with Zac, Jye, Will L, Cody F, Will F and Isikeli. At 2pm we had our first activity - mine was Geocaching. It was really good. We had to find clues with the GPS. After the activity we had free time, I went on the unicycle - it was really hard. After a while we had dinner. We had African Chop. It was delicious! It was rice with meat and salad.

Day 2: At 10am we had our second activity — bushcraft. It was awesome!!! We got to make pancakes, dampers and popcorn on our fire!! After the activity we had lunch. We had rolls with meat and salad. After lunch we had our third activity— climbing. It was really fun. You climb up a rock wall and abseil down the other side. On my first go I did it blindfolded. I had to get Isikeli to direct me. At 6pm we had dinner. It was chicken schnitzel and salad. After dinner we played a game outside. It was a game where one person had to find everyone else using their torches. It was great.

Day 3: At 10am we had our fourth activity - canoeing. It was my favourite activity. First we practised turning and moving. Second we had a race around the buoy. We came third. At the end we all played a ball game - my team won 5-2. After the canoeing we went for a boat trip to Ninety Mile beach to play fox holes. Fox Holes was really fun. You had to dig holes so the teachers couldn’t see you in them and you had to get the football and run back to the start to win. That night we went for a night walk. We stopped at the beach and threw sand in the lake and it lit up - that is because there is algae in the water.

Day 4: At 9:45 we had our fifth activity — Survivor. It was so cool! The first thing we had to do was put planks on each log and get to the other side. Next was the lava lake - we had to swing to the other side while reaching down to grab a flag. Then was the slingshot. I was the only one to hit the board. After lunch we had out last activity - bikes and archery. We did bikes first. You had to ride around looking for logs with a stamp so that you could stamp your piece of paper. Last was archery. We had a challenge to see which team could get the highest score. That night we had a movie night.

Day 5: We woke up and cleaned our rooms ready to go home. We made our lunches for the trip home. Next we hopped on the bus and said goodbye to the staff and drove home.

I think Camp Coolamatong was a great camp and I hope I can go again in the coming years.