Robocup

Our Robocup team was busily preparing for the Robocup State Finals, to be held at Science Works. Robots will be dancing to Wreck – It Ralph.

Devonshire Tea

Parents, grandparents and students enjoyed, another wonderful day preparing and serving their Devonshire Teas this week.
FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL

I was talking to some students a couple of days ago about what it was like when I went to school. They were amazed at how different it was back then, compared to now. I finished up the conversation by saying that it is so much better now—which it is. Schools today are focussed on personalised learning and differentiated instruction, student wellbeing and engagement as well as engaging with our community. Chalcot Lodge does all these things very well—and more! As a learning community we all want the best possible outcomes for our students because they are our future.

Aladdin
I have been watching the rehearsals for the 2013 Year 6 Production-Aladdin. From what I have been seeing and hearing, I think we should all be in for an entertaining evening in term 4. I hope you can make it.

Daffodil Day
From today you can purchase items from the front office to support the Cancer Council Victoria, Daffodil Day. All proceeds will go to support the work that Cancer Council Victoria do. Thank you again for your support. The items will be on sale until the end of next week.

Devonshire Teas
We have had lots of parents and grandparents taking part again this week in our Devonshire Teas in our Kitchen and Etiquette Centre. Thank you for being a part of this special fortnight on the school’s calendar.

Robo Cup
Good luck to our Robo Cup team who will be at Scienceworks with Mrs Bearsley today. I have seen some of their robots and they have done an amazing job.

Car Park
A notice was sent home on Wednesday regarding the safe use of the car park near the kindergarten. It has been included in the Weekly as well. The onus is upon everyone to be safe and careful when using this car park.

Take Home Reading
I love reading. As a teacher I am always encouraging children to read. You too can encourage your child to read for enjoyment. A trip to the library or the book shop can be exciting for a child, especially if they can choose a book they would like to read. Keep reading everyone!

Kind Regards,
Wayne Lovie - Acting Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS

Robocup Team
Our Robocup team are competing in the Robocup Tournament at ScienceWorks today. Our team will be returning back to school at around 4.30pm this afternoon. I can’t wait to hear about their exciting day! Our team have been working very hard preparing for the Robocup Junior Dance Theatre and they will be presenting their performance for us during our next assembly on Tuesday, 3rd September.

Congratulations to: Mrs Tamsin Bearsley, Jake Weerasingha, Bailey Adams, Kaelen Mackinnon, Zaine O’Rourke, Vishal Panditharatne and Dihan Nagahawatta for your outstanding work and for representing Chalcot Lodge PS at the Robocup Tournament today. We are very proud of you all!!!!!!

Educational Support Officers
Yesterday, the Chalcot Lodge family acknowledged and thanked our Educational Support Officers. Our ES staff are a very hardworking and dedicated group of people who are to be highly commended for their wonderful work in facilitating the smooth running of the school and in supporting student learning. They perform a myriad of tasks within their specific roles, and also willingly lend a hand in whatever way is needed. Our ES staff truly help to enrich our learning environment and epitomize the Chalcot spirit.

Thank you to: our Administrative staff: Lyn Thornton, Narelle Coyne and Inger de Zylva; our Integration Aides Sharyn Paulika, Jacky Rowntree, Jackie Warburton, Lynette Clark, Mary Logan-Brown, Margo Wakeman, Pina Profeta, Vicki Scandolera & Nicole Felton; and Language Support Officer Denise Conway.

On behalf of the Chalcot family, I sincerely thank our wonderful Educational Support staff for their valued contributions to our students and school.

Enrolments for 2014
We are currently firming up projected enrolment numbers to facilitate planning and preparations for 2013. Consequently, parents who have children who will be starting school at Chalcot next year are requested to submit completed enrolment forms to the office as soon as possible. Enrolment packs are available at the office. Also, please advise the office if your family will not be attending Chalcot next year.

Toy Warning
Children love their toys and these are often quite expensive. Whilst students enjoy bringing toys and games to school, I need to remind parents and students that toys are brought to school at the owner’s risk. Unfortunately, belongings can be lost, damaged etc. Students are advised not to bring electronic hand held games or any other expensive toys or games.

Fathers’ Day Stall
PFA will be holding their Fathers’ Day stall on Thursday 29th of August from 9.15am until 12.30pm. Gifts range from 50 cents to a maximum of $5.00 each. Students will be allowed to purchase a couple of items each. Please ensure your child brings a named bag in which they can hide their special gifts.

Monster Special Effort
Please ensure that all tickets and money are returned to school by Wednesday 28th August. The Monster Special effort will be drawn on Thursday 29th August at 1.20pm. Good Luck Everyone!!!

Footy Dress up Day
PFA are organising a ‘Footy Day’ dress up fundraising event to be held on Tuesday 10th September. All students are encouraged to come dressed in their favourite AFL, Soccer or Rugby colours and to bring along a gold coin donation.

PFA are also organising a lunch time sausage sizzle. Sausages and drinks are to be pre-ordered on the order form which was sent home earlier this week. Please use separate order forms for each child. Parents (or guardians), grandparents or any other family members are welcome to join us for lunch.

Shopping Tour
There are still plenty of seats left on our Shopping Tour bus for you and your friends. If you would like to come along, please ensure you return the notice with full payment by Monday 9th September 2013.

Monica Ghirxi  Paul Polivio
Assistant Principal  Acting Assistant Principal
Year 6 students are working hard on their Production Props.
**UNIFORM SALES**
School uniform items can be purchased directly from the Beleza School Uniform Store at shop 7, 151 – 159 Princess Hwy, Hallam, phone 9702 3181. Mastercard, Bankcard and Visa are all accepted.
Beleza order forms are also available at the school office.
When placing your order you will need to make payment to the school either by cash or by completing your credit card details on the order form. Beleza staff will then deliver your order to the school.

**BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE**

**Morning:** 7.30am – 8.45am Monday to Friday during school term, excluding all Victorian Public Holidays.
Permanent: $15.00  Casual: $15.00.
**Breakfast is provided until 8.00am.**

**Afternoon:** 3.30pm – 6.00pm Monday to Friday during school term, excluding all Victorian Public Holidays.
Afternoon snack and drink provided.
Permanent: $19.00  Casual: $19.00

**Activities for Week Ending Friday 30th August 2013:**
Paper bay lantern, sonic dart (Origami), classic dart (Origami), Bella the butterfly, flying fish mobile.
Colouring sheets are optional for those who have interest in colouring. In addition, there will be indoor/outdoor games throughout the week.

*For enquiries or further information please call Vim on 0400 194 859 during session times.*

**SCHOOL BANKING**

Don’t forget that FRIDAY is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

For every deposit made, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can then be redeemed for a range of great, exclusive reward items.

**Token redemption dates Term 3**
Friday 30th August (Week 7), Friday 6th September (Week 8), Friday 14th September (Week 9).

*Please do not send your tokens between Week 3 – 6.*
*There will be no banking on Friday 20th September (Week 10 - Last day of term)*

Ruth Fullard  
School Banking Co-ordinator

**STUDENT SAFETY**

Dear Parents/Carers

We were informed of a student safety issue which occurred before school, in the car park near the kindergarten at the top of the school.
We have been working with a traffic engineer from the City of Casey to assist us to minimise the risk to children moving to and from cars in this area.
As a school community, we all have a responsibility for the safety of children. We rely upon everyone to do the right thing on the roads and in car parks when dropping off and picking up children.
We are writing to all our parents and carers, to implore you to act responsibly on the roads around our school, when picking up and dropping off children and particularly in the car park near the kindergarten.
We know most parents always do the right thing and we thank you. As a community we must put the safety of children first.

Wayne Lovie  
Acting Principal

Monica Ghirxi  
Assistant Principal