

# CHALCOT WEEKLY

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## Mothers' Day Stall

*Thank you to our Parents' and Friends' Association for holding their annual Mothers' Day Stall. It was wonderful to see all our children buying a gift for their mums. We wish our very special mums, a happy Mothers' Day on Sunday!*



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Education Week Celebrations (19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> May)

Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	NSW Computer Competition
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 1/2 Excursion to CERES Park
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	District Cross Country
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Chalcot's Got Talent
	Chalcot Earth Explores Night
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	National Walk to School Day

### Chalcot's Got Talent

As part of our Education Week celebrations, parents are invited to attend our annual 'Chalcot's Got Talent' performance, which will be held in the hall at 11.30am on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**. Our students have been busy practising their items and I'm sure the teachers have something special to perform. Thank you very much to Mrs Wakeman, Miss Warburton and Mrs Profeta for organising this wonderful Education Week event.

### Chalcot Earth Explorers

Join us in a family fun night exploring the mysteries of Earth on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**. Families are invited to form teams of between two and six people and will complete exciting activities in the classrooms. Once all activities have been completed, family team entries will go into a draw to win the **Chalcot Earth Explores** challenge.

During the evening, we are also holding a **Recycle & Reuse Competition**. Once again, families can form teams to design and build their own usable product made from recycled material. Items must be built at home and can be built out of any recycled material. Items must be clearly named and have a brief explanation of its use. Teams must register their usable item by **5.45pm** in the hall and leave it for display until the Chalcot Earth Explore activities have been completed. Join in the spirit by dressing in clothing to represent your Chalcot Earth Explorer Team name.

Prior to the activities, enjoy a free sausage sizzle in the courtyard from 5.30pm to 6.00pm!

If you would like to take part in our family 'Education Night' activities and/or sausage sizzle, please ensure you complete the registration forms that we distributed to all families earlier this week.

### Evening Schedule

- 5.30 to 6.00** Free Sausage Sizzle
- 5.30 to 5.45** Recycle & Reuse Competition Registration
- 6.00 to 6.30** Chalcot Earth Explorers activities
- 6.30 to 7.00** Recycle & Reuse Competition

### National Walk to School Day

Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. Although walking all the way to school isn't realistic for many of us, it's quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family's daily routine.

Regular exercise, like walking with your child, not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes, it also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic.

*Come on Chalcot, it's time that we seriously start talking about walking. Get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 2014!*

### Technology Institute Certificate 3 Business Course

The school community has the opportunity to be involved in a fully paid scholarship, Certificate 3 Business BSB30112 course organised through the Technology Institute of Victoria. Depending on the numbers participating, the course will be run either at Southern Cross PS or here at Chalcot Lodge PS. If you are interested in taking up this great opportunity, please fill in the form, which were sent home last Wednesday and return to the office by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May.

### Your Opinion Please

Currently the Healthy Food, Facilities and Global & Multicultural Education policies are under review. Your input is welcome using the reply slip available at the front office.

Monica Ghirxi - **Principal**

## FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

### Attitudes to School Survey

This week, students from Years 5 and 6 responded to the Department's Attitudes to School Survey, which is completed by all senior students across Victoria within the current fortnight. The survey is completed anonymously and assists staff in finding out students' views on the school in general and their feelings and opinions about their experience in the classroom, with the teachers and with other students. The data is sent to the Department for collation and is used by the school to determine aspects which are functioning well and those which need improvement. The results of the survey will be reported in the 2014 Annual Report.

### BIG THANKYOU TO OUR WONDERFUL PFA!!

Thank you to our fantastic PFA and our many hardworking volunteers for organising and running the Mothers' Day Stall during the week, it was a great success. Without the hard work and dedication of these fantastic parents, events such as this would not be possible.

### Timetable for NAPLAN Testing

Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May
<u>Year 3 and 5</u>	<u>Years 3 and 5</u>	<u>Years 3 and 5</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Language Conventions</li><li>Writing</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Reading</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Numeracy</li></ul>

### Coughs, Colds and Asthma

Coughs, colds and the flu are some of the most common triggers of asthma. The common cold is caused by an upper respiratory tract infection and is a common illness for children and adults in Australia. As we approach the colder months, here are some tips to keep in mind to prevent and reduce the spread of coughs, colds and the flu:

- Avoid coughing and sneezing on or near others and wash your hands thoroughly to prevent the spread of disease.
- If your child is not feeling well, it is recommended that they stay home and rest, to reduce the spread of infections and to speed up their recovery process.
- Everyone should have the annual flu vaccination to ensure they are protected from this disease. You or your child may be eligible for the free flu vaccination. Details about who is eligible can be found here and can also be determined by your doctor.
- Prior to purchasing any medications or herbal and natural remedies, you should seek the advice of your doctor or pharmacist as some medications such as: Aspirin, Ibuprofen/Naproxen (non-steroidal anti-inflammatory medications); Beta Blockers tablet and eye drops (used for high blood pressure and glaucoma); and ACE inhibitors (used to control blood pressure) can react with asthma medications.

The Asthma Foundation of Victoria is funded by the Federal Department of Health to provide free asthma education sessions to groups of parents and carers. These sessions can take place at the school or at a location of your choice. The session runs for approximately one hour and covers:

- Asthma triggers
- Signs and symptoms
- Asthma action plans
- Asthma medication
- Asthma First Aid

If you are interested in attending a parent and carer asthma information session, please contact The Asthma Foundation of Victoria to arrange a session on 1800-ASTHMA or [sdoherty@asthma.org.au](mailto:sdoherty@asthma.org.au)

Paul Poliviou - **Assistant Principal**



# DIARY DATES

Tue – Thurs	13 <sup>th</sup> – 15 <sup>th</sup>	May	NAPLAN	Year 3 & 5 students
Tuesday	13 <sup>th</sup>	May	Assembly	2.45pm Hall
Wednesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	May	School Council meeting	7.30pm Staffroom
<b>Mon – Fri</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>May</b>	<b>EDUCATION WEEK</b>	
Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	May	Kinder Club	2.30pm – 3.30pm
Thursday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	May	Open Day	
Thursday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	May	Chalcot Talent Quest	11.30am – 1.30pm Hall
Thursday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	May	Family Night	5.30pm – 6.00pm BBQ 6.00pm – 7.30pm Family Activities
Friday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	May	National Walk to School Day	
Monday	26 <sup>th</sup>	May	PFA meeting	7.30pm Staffroom
Tuesday	27 <sup>th</sup>	May	Assembly	2.45pm Hall
<b><u>UPCOMING INVISITS AND EXCURSIONS</u></b>				
Tuesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	May	ICAS Computer Competition	
Tuesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	May	Yr 1/2 CERES Excursion	Payment of \$32 due by 16 <sup>th</sup> May
Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	May	District Cross Country	
Wednesday	28 <sup>th</sup>	May	Yr Prep – 2 Bunnings Autumn Planting Day	
Thursday	5 <sup>th</sup>	June	Wild Action Zoo	Payment of \$12 due by 29 <sup>th</sup> May

## CHALCOT LEGEND AWARD - OLIVER TAMAS

Congratulations to Oliver for being selected to receive the Chalcot Legend Award. Oliver has been selected for being a kind and helpful class member who is always ready to share things and help others. Well done Oliver! Oliver will receive his certificate and canteen voucher at assembly on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May.

## **CHALCOT ACHIEVER AWARD**

Congratulations to the following students who have been selected by their teachers to receive Chalcot Achiever Awards. Chalcot Achievers will receive their certificates at assembly on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May.

0AC	Jack McInnes	1/2JV	Kate Svendsen
0CB	Chloe Brown	3/4AK	Jelena Peric
0SC	Samuel Crawford	3/4RS	Chantel Fullard
1/2GC	Talia Mudalige	4/5AT	Priyanka Suja Rani
1/2DE	Nyabana Gatkuoth	5/6AA	Tyler Studd
1/2MK	Djay Elliott	5/6DN	Fatima Al-Musawi



### 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 and Visa are 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:** 7.00am – 8.45am Monday to Friday during school term, excluding all Victorian Public Holidays. Permanent/casual: \$ 15.00.

**Breakfast is provided until 8.30am.**

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

Permanent/casual: \$ 19.00.

**Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate available for all families.**

*Note: Parents please provide a hat for your child/ren. Sunscreen is provided at the service.*

#### **Activities this week include:**

- \* Creating funky creatures
- \* Paper Craft
- \* Nature hunt
- \* Dramatic Play

Please feel free to speak to Iris or Alex if you have any concerns. Call 0400 194 859 during session times or come in and have a chat!

#### **Y.L.V Team**

### Mr P's FOOTY PREDICATIONS

HAWKS by 21 points  
ESS by 45 points  
WCE by 34 points  
PORT by 13 points  
DOGS by 5 points  
CARL by 50 points



### SCHOOL BANKING

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

**Awesome Competition In Term 2** Make a minimum of 3 deposits this term to be automatically entered into the draw for the major student prize of an underwater family adventure holiday on the Gold Coast!! There are also 130 runners-up prizes of \$250 Toys 'R' Us gift cards. Be in it to win it! There are also prizes which our school can win, so make sure you keep making those deposits! **IF YOU HAVEN'T SIGNED UP TO SCHOOL BANKING YET IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO TAKE PART.**

**Reward Redemptions** During Term 2 students can submit tokens for reward redemptions at any time. According to the bank's records, there are at least 15 students who are eligible to claim rewards.

**Have you lost your deposit book or wallet?** Don't let that stop you from saving money and earning tokens! We have spares of both deposit books and wallets, and will still be able to process your deposit even if you don't have your account number.

I would like to say a BIG welcome and thank you to Jenna Perry and Jill Robertson, who have very kindly offered to assist me with School Banking processing. With the growth of the programme this year, it's been wonderful to have such capable and willing helpers!

Ingrid Williams  
School Banking Coordinator

### COMMUNITY NEWS

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#### **City of Casey – Strategies for keeping young people safe online**

A cyber safety forum for parents and young people. Hear from cyber safety experts about:

Strategies to encourage young people to be safe, smart and responsible online.

Enhancing your knowledge of and confidence in the online world.

Creating an 'eSafe' environment in your home

Latest online resources available.

**Time:** 7.00pm – 9.00pm

**Venue:** City of Casey Civic Centre, Magid Drive, Narre Warren.

**Date:** Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May.

A free City of Casey event. Bookings can be made through <http://www.trybooking.com/ESYP> or City of Casey Customer Service on 9705 5200.