



# CHALCOT WEEKLY

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Getting Along Resilience Organisation Persistence Confidence Achievement

## CHALCOT CLUBS

Chalcot has lots of lunchtime clubs. We have the Green Team, the Gardening Club, Cheer Squad, Chess Club, Robotics Club and Director's Club. In Chess Club, we have started our intra-school chess competition. The more experienced chess players have been teaching the beginners. In Robotics, we have been doing a series of mini competitions including the blind building challenge and the bridge building challenge. In Director's club, we have been planning our silent film for the silent film festival.

by Katelyn De Savery and Emily Van.

## Super Swimmers

Congratulations to super swimmers Jaysen Del Socorro, Ryan Mc Alpine, Campbell Newton, Adam Johnson and Stefan Zainea for representing Chalcot Lodge Primary School at the Divisional Swimming Carnival last Wednesday. Well done to you all, your Chalcot family is very proud of you!!



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Peer Mediators' Ceremony

Our 2014 Peer Mediators will be presented with their badges at school assembly, next Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March, at 2.40pm. The ceremony will then be followed by afternoon tea, which will be served in the Library for these students and their families.

### Junior School Council

Junior School Council (JSC) provides students with the opportunity to present ideas and suggestions for the school. Class meetings are held in Years 3 to 6 prior to JSC meetings. These ideas are then taken by the JS Councillors to their meetings, which are held twice a term. Our first Junior School Council meeting was held today. Congratulations to the members of the 2014 JSC and many thanks to teacher Rohan Suttie for convening the meetings.

### Check Out the 'My School' Website

The 'My School' website is now live and provides parents with information about each school's NAPLAN data, comparison of student achievement levels with other schools, student learning gain, finances and profiles. I must say, I am very proud of our school's achievements!

The website can be accessed by visiting <http://www.myschool.edu.au>.

### PFA Easter Special Effort

This week, each family was sent a notice in relation to the PFA Easter Special Effort. The four prizes will be displayed in the front office in the next couple of weeks. All monies raised will support the purchase of synthetic grass for the senior side of the school, which will be installed by the end of this term. The winning tickets will be drawn on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April at 3.00pm. A big thank you to our very hard working PFA team for organising this yummy fundraising event!!

### Parent/Teacher Interviews

During this week, Parent/Teacher interview notices were distributed to all families. Interviews will be held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. This will be a great opportunity for the class teacher to discuss your child's progress so far this year, your child's individual learning needs and areas of future learning. To help with organisation, could you please ensure that your preferred interview times are returned to school no later than Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March. A note confirming your appointment time will be sent home the following week.

### School Photos

School photos will be taken on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March. This year, all group photos including School Captains, House Captains, Peer Mediators and Junior School Councillors will also be taken on the day. Please complete your order form and return to school with the correct money or cheque on photograph day.

### Your Opinion Please

Currently the 'Working with Children Check' policy and the 'Staff Registration Protocols' policy are being developed. Your input is welcome using the reply slip in this newsletter.

Monica Ghirxi  
Principal

## ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

### Cyber Safety

**If someone is being mean to you while you are on the internet or on a mobile phone:**

- Tell one of these people: Your mum or dad, your teacher, an aunty, an uncle, a grandparent, your brother, your sister or a friend.
  - Keep telling them until they help.
  - Don't answer any of their mean comments. Save them and show them to a parent or teacher.
  - Get a parent or teacher to help you block them so they can't contact you anymore.
  - Report them to the game/video host so they get blocked.
- Remember, it isn't your fault if someone is mean online. Nobody should be bullied.

Further details are available on the following Link: [www.cybersmart.gov.au](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au)

### School Banking

A representative from the Commonwealth Bank will be here next Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March, from 8.30am - 9.30am, just outside the prep area to help you set up a school banking account for your child. School banking is every Friday at Chalcot Lodge. You only need to bring some ID for yourself e.g. drivers licence or passport. You can also set up an account for a child not at this school (kinder or high school) by bringing their birth certificate. Set your child up for life by starting a school banking account now and let them share in the fantastic FREE rewards on offer. See below.



2014 reward items include a:

- Handball
- Scented Pencils
- Penguin and Dolphin Keyrings
- Whale Shark Pencil Case
- Tin Moneybox
- Swimming Bag
- Projector Cup
- Sea Streamers

### Facebook

We have recently set up a Chalcot Lodge Community Group Facebook page. The purpose of this group is to provide a communication tool between the school and our school community.

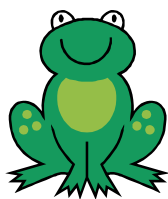
We are requesting that, at this stage, the communication will be only one way. The page will inform you of upcoming events, changes to programs or general information that we think will be useful.

In order for you to become a member of the page, we require you to visit the Chalcot Lodge PS Official Page on Facebook and request to join. We will only accept your request to join once you have signed and returned the 'Acceptable use Agreement' sent out earlier this week.

If you were part of our trial group, we will require you to sign the Acceptable Use Agreement form before we officially launch the page. **Any members that have not signed and returned the agreement by 17<sup>th</sup> March will be removed from the page until documentation is received.**

Paul Poliviou  
Assistant Principal

**CANTEEN IS OPEN FOR LUNCH ORDERS AND COUNTER SALES MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS  
CLOSED TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS**



# DIARY DATES

Tuesday	18 <sup>th</sup>	March	Assembly – Peer Mediation Badge Presentation	2.35pm
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	March	Co-op AGM	7.00pm – Staffroom
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	March	School Council AGM	7.15pm - Staffroom
Wednesday	19 <sup>th</sup>	March	School Council Meeting	7.30pm - Staffroom
Tuesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	March	Harmony Day – Wear Orange or a cultural costume	2.40pm - Assembly
Wednesday	26 <sup>th</sup>	March	Kinder Club	2.30pm
Friday	28 <sup>th</sup>	March	School Photos	
Monday	31 <sup>st</sup>	March	International Competitions Entry Fees	Due today
Tuesday	1 <sup>st</sup>	April	Assembly	2.45pm
Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	April	Parent Teacher Interviews	2.30pm – 8.00pm
Friday	4 <sup>th</sup>	April	PFA Day Disco	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>April</b>	<b>End Term 1</b>	<b>Students dismissed at 2.30pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>April</b>	<b>Commencement Term 2</b>	<b>9.00am start all students</b>
Thursday	24 <sup>th</sup>	April	Anzac Day Assembly	
<b>Friday</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>April</b>	<b>ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	<b>No school for students</b>
<b><u>UPCOMING INVISITS AND EXCURSIONS</u></b>				
Monday	24 <sup>th</sup>	March	5/6AA & 5/6DN Visit Lyndale Secondary College	9.30am – 1.30pm
Monday	31 <sup>st</sup>	March	Star Lab Invisit for Years 3 to 6	\$8 due 26 <sup>th</sup> March

## CHALCOT LEGEND AWARD - GEORGIA ALLSOPP

For displaying outstanding Social and Personal Values Skills

Congratulations to Georgia for being selected to receive the Chalcot Legend Award. Georgia has been selected for being a very good friend to others and assisting others with their work. Well done! Georgia will receive her certificate and canteen voucher at assembly on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March.

## 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 18<sup>th</sup> March.

0AC	Alex Hernandez	1/2JV	Alexander Forbes
0CB	Thomas Bago	3/4AK	Izabella Hernandez
0SC	Jerell Samson-Kite	3/4RS	Sameer Popalzai
1/2GC	Aidan Papaefstathiou	4/5AT	Campbell Newton
1/2DE	Lukas Cooper	5/6AA	Christian Heng
1/2MK	Vincent Tamas	5/6DN	Elisha De Beyer



### **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:**

- \* Paper Plate Craft Activities
- \* St. Patrick's Day – Activity & Games
- \* Foosball, Tennis & Soccer games
- \* 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

### **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 Dollarmite token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can then be redeemed for a range of great, exclusive reward items.

Also remember you can enrol for school banking at any time!

#### **Special note for year 5 and 6 students**

We are able to get hold of some really cool BLACK deposit wallets. If you would like one in preference to your yellow one, just include a note with your next deposit.

Ingrid Williams  
School Banking Coordinator

### **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.

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

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### **SEAL OPPORTUNITY FOR CURRENT YEAR 6 STUDENTS - GLENEAGLES SELECT ENTRY ACCELERATED LEARNING PROGRAM**

Gleneagles Secondary College is one of 36 schools accredited to offer Select Entry Accelerated Learning Program (SEAL) in Victoria. One SEAL class of 25 students is offered at each Year level from Year 7 to 10. The SEAL program provides an opportunity for high potential students to undertake a challenging, concept-based curriculum in the company of like-minded peers. Instruction is designed to stimulate and inspire this highly motivated group and emphasis is placed on developing creativity, independent inquiry and research skills.

SEAL students complete the same subjects as other students in the year level but curriculum delivery is differentiated to provide faster paced instruction and minimal repetition. The concepts explored in class are often more complex, abstract and challenging. Entry into the SEAL program is via formal testing and interviews. To be eligible for the Select Entry Accelerated Learning (SEAL) program, students need to apply and complete the selection process. Prospective students and parents are encouraged to attend:

#### **SEAL information night (for year 7 2015 students) Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 at 7.00pm**

#### **Gleneagles Secondary College, The Shed**

Come along and hear more about the program and collect an application package. No booking required, all family members welcome. For further details, please visit the Gleneagles website:

<http://www.gleneagles.vic.edu.au/enrolment/enrolment-process/> or contact the SEAL Manager, Julie Mullins on Tel 9708 1319 or email [gleneagles.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au](mailto:gleneagles.sc@edumail.vic.gov.au).

#### **Applications close for Year 7, 2015 SEAL program at midday on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> April 2014.**

[www.gleneagles.vic.edu.au](http://www.gleneagles.vic.edu.au) / Reema Boulevard, Endeavour Hills VIC 3802. Phone 9708 1319, Fax 9708 1324.

