

# CHALCOT WEEKLY

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## HARMONY DAY CELEBRATIONS

We had a fabulous day for HARMONY DAY. The sun was shining and interested parents joined us outside on the synthetic turf.

Students, teachers and parents looked great in their costumes from various countries and their orange coloured outfits.

Students beautifully performed various dance routines and had the opportunity to prepare cuisines from around the world during the week. Congratulations to the winners of the poster competition showing their interpretations of how **EVERYBODY BELONGS.**

Winners will be listed in next week's Newsletter.



## *FROM THE PRINCIPAL*

### Everyone Belongs!!!

Our Harmony Day celebrations on Tuesday were a great success. During the day, students enjoyed playing games from various countries and performed their dances during our assembly with great enthusiasm. The choir brought a tear to my eye as they sang 'We are the Children of the World'.

Congratulations to all our students who won a prize in our Harmony Day poster competition. Many thanks to Mrs Velasquez for preparing and organising our activities which made the day so enjoyable. We all belong at Chalcot Lodge!!!

### About Uniform Shoes

We are all very proud of our school, and as part of this, it is important to maintain high standards of student dress code. Over the past weeks, the teachers and I have been 'cracking down' on students wearing proper uniform. This week, I wish to remind parents and students that the approved footwear includes a choice of **black school shoes or white or black runners, which have minimal writing or patterns on them.** This is the footwear approved as part of our uniform by School Council and this information is made clear to all families on enrolment at this school.

I would greatly appreciate parents ensuring that their children are wearing school uniform items only to school, as we would prefer not to have to enforce the student dress code by issuing consequences in Term 2.

### Parent/Teacher Interviews

During this week, all parents should have received their confirmed Parent/Teacher interview times for next Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April. This meeting 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. A written Mid Year Report will be distributed to parents at the end of Term 2.

### Term One Ends Friday 4th April at 2.30pm

Please ensure that you have made arrangements for your children to be picked up at 2.30pm.

If you are unable to make arrangements for a 2.30pm pick up and supervision is required, please contact Before and After School Care on 0400 194 859.

The arrangements for the day are as follows:

9.00am to 11.00am	Session 1, including the PFA disco from 9.30am to 10.45am
11.00am to 11.30am	Morning recess
11.30am to 12.30pm	Session 2
12.30pm to 12.40pm	Students eating their lunch in classrooms
12.40pm to 1.40pm	Lunch recess
1.00pm to 1.50pm	Rolls called in classrooms
1.50pm to 2.20pm	Assembly
2.20pm to 2.30pm	Children will be dismissed from their classrooms at 2.30pm.

### Froggy Awards

Our last assembly of the term will be held next Friday at 1.50pm. During this assembly, one student from each class will receive a Froggy Award. Froggy Awards are presented to those students who have shown the most improvement during this term.

### Your Opinion Please

Currently the Transition and Curriculum Framework policies are under review. Your input is welcomed using the 'Community Input' slip which is available at the front office.

Monica Ghirxi  
**Principal**

## *ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL*

### Our Hard Working PFA

Bakers' Delight Hot Cross Buns will be delivered on Wednesday 2nd April. A reminder that Easter Special Effort tickets and money is due back by Tuesday 1st April, prizes will be drawn on Wednesday 2nd April.

The PFA end of term disco is on Friday 4th April from 9.30am until 10.45am. Permission forms and payment are due back by Wednesday 2nd April. **Please note that payments will not be accepted on the morning of the disco.**

What a busy few weeks for the PFA. We thank them for all their hard work and also the community for supporting them. PFA are also in the process of organising a shopping tour for later this year. More information about the date of the shopping tour and outlets that will be visited will be coming out shortly.

### Emergency Information

So that a parent/guardian may be contacted quickly, in the case of serious illness or injury at school, emergency information must be kept up to date and accurate.

Should any alterations be necessary during the year (eg. change of occupation, change of name of neighbour or friend to be contacted, change in address or home, work or mobile telephone number, etc.) please notify the office promptly.

The school must be advised of the granting of court orders relating to your children. A copy of any current court order must be given to the school. The school cannot act on court orders unless a copy has been provided.

### ANZAC Appeal

We are selling ANZAC badges, the proceeds from which are used in the welfare work carried out by the RSL for ex-service men, women and their families, who are in need of support. Badges cost 50 cents each and will be sold during eating time by 1/2JV students. Our ANZAC Day assembly will be held on Thursday, April 24 at 9.15am in the hall.

Paul Poliviou  
**Assistant Principal**

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



# DIARY DATES

Monday	31 <sup>st</sup>	March	International Competitions Entry Fees	Due today
Thursday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	April	Parent Teacher Interviews	2.30pm – 8.00pm
Friday	4 <sup>th</sup>	April	PFA Day Disco	9.30am – 10.45am
Friday	4 <sup>th</sup>	April	School Banking Reward Redemptions	
Friday	4 <sup>th</sup>	April	Assembly – Froggy Awards	1.50pm
<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	9.15am - Hall
<b>Friday</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>April</b>	<b>ANZAC DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	<b>No school for students</b>
Monday	28 <sup>th</sup>	April	School Banking Day	
<b><u>UPCOMING INVISITS AND EXCURSIONS</u></b>				
Wednesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	April	Prep Grandparents' Day	9.30am – 10.40am
Wednesday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	April	Star Lab Invisit - Years 3 to 6	\$8 due 26 <sup>th</sup> March
Thursday	1 <sup>st</sup>	May	Adidas Fun Run	Junior School 9.20 – 10.00am Senior school 10.00 – 11.00am



## TERM I – FROGGY AWARDS



0AC	Isabella Boustead	1/2JV	Ethan Landman
0CB	Sophie Zhang	3/4AK	Catharina Truong
0SC	Isabella Youngs	3/4RS	Noah Mraz
1/2GC	Christos Stylianou	4/5AT	Vladana Ignjic
1/2DE	Serenity Sumondis	5/6AA	Aiden Barrie-Cardenas
1/2MK	James Ialongo	5/6DN	Noor Al Musawi
ICT	Tyler Foulston	ART	Kate Svendsen
PE	Nayabana Gatkuoth		



Year 5/6 students enjoyed participating in activities at Lyndale Secondary College on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March.



### **LIBRARY NEWS**

50 new picture story books have just arrived and are being catalogued for the Library. Please encourage your child/ren to borrow every week.

### **Thank You**

Much appreciation to the Johnson family for donating CD Reading books to our Library.

### **ANZAC DAY BADGES**

As ANZAC day is nearing, we are selling ANZAC badges for 50c each. We will be selling them each day during eating time. It would be nice if you would buy one to honour our ANZACS.

Jaysen, Peter, Kodie & Emily – Year 6 students

### **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 animals & creatures
- Recycle Material
- Free Play
- Puppet Show

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.***

### **Reward Redemptions**

The last day for submitting your tokens is Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April. Send along the card showing which Term 1 reward item (handball or scented pencils) you would like to order.

There will be school banking on the last day of Term 1 Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April as per usual.

The first Friday in Term 2 is Anzac Day. So that you don't miss a week of school banking (and a token), I will do that week's banking on the following Monday (28<sup>th</sup> April).

Ingrid Williams - School Banking Coordinator

EASTER  
SPECIAL EFFORT  
Return tickets &  
money by Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>  
April.



### **PREP GRANDPARENTS' DAY**

An invitation is extended to grandparents of Prep students to our very special Grandparents' Day, to be held on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April between 9.30am and 10.40am. We will be sharing activities in the prep classrooms, followed by a cuppa and biscuit in the staff room at 10.40am.

If no grandparent is available, another family member is welcome to attend instead.

### **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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### **NAB AFL AUSKICK – MOSSGIEL PARK 2014**

Auskick is a great fun way to learn the basic skills of AFL football and is open to all primary school aged children. Registration day and the first clinic will be on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May from 9.15am until 11.00am at Barry Simon Reserve, Gleneagles Drive, Endeavour Hills and includes an introductory skills clinic from 9.45am and a free sausage sizzle. Clinics will then be held on Saturdays from 9.30am until 11.00am at the same venue until mid August.

For more details and to register and pay on-line, go to [www.aflauskick.com.au](http://www.aflauskick.com.au), enter the postcode 3802, scroll down to Mossgiel Park, click on 'Register' and follow the instructions. If you register and pay online by Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April, you will receive a free family pass to a selected AFL game. Please contact Julie Webber, Centre Coordinator, on 0439 839 351 if you have any queries.

### **Host Families Needed For New Exchange Students in 2014**

There are girls and boys aged between 15 and 18 from exciting countries like Italy, Belgium, France, Germany, Holland, Switzerland, Brazil, Norway, Sweden, Japan, Finland, Canada and Austria hoping to come here to study for 3, 5 or 10 months from July this year and stay with a volunteer family that is willing to host and welcome them. If you feel you could do this for them for the length of their stay or even some of it, please contact Klaus Schumann on (03) 97584279 and let me know of your interest.