



CHALCOT WEEKLY

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Getting Along Resilience Organisation Persistence Confidence Achievement

Thai Chicken Wings



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Curriculum Day – 18th December 2015

Student Free Day

The final Curriculum Day for 2015 will be held on Friday 18th December. During the day, staff will be very busy organising classrooms & equipment and completing administrative requirements ready for the commencement of the 2016 school year.

Friday 18th December is a student free day.

Students' Final Day for 2015

As we have a Curriculum Day on Friday 18th December, students' last day of school will be on **Thursday 17th December, at 2.30pm.** We will be holding our final assembly for the year on Thursday the 17th December at 1.45pm and children will be dismissed from their classrooms.

Time Table for Day

9.00am to 11.00am	Class time (junior disco)
11.00am to 11.30am	Recess
11.30am to 12.30pm	Class time (senior disco)
12.30pm to 12.40pm	Eating time
12.40pm to 1.40pm	Lunch play
1.45pm to 2.15pm	Assembly
2.15pm to 2.30pm	Class time
2.30pm	School Dismissal



Concert under the Oaks – Special Effort

The Parent Club, along with the students and teachers, are busily planning for our 'Concert under the Oaks' to be held on **Friday 11th December.**

Each year, Parent Club holds a Special Effort on the night and are inviting the school community to donate small items to assist in making up hampers for prizes. The Parent Club would greatly appreciate any contribution you can give. Items could include: boxes of chocolates, mince pies, Christmas decorations, plum puddings, shortbread biscuits or anything you think will relate to the Christmas theme for the hampers.

Any donations can be dropped off at the school office between now and Monday 30th November.

Addressing children's responses in relation to Traumatic Events

Children and young people will have seen and heard about the terrorist attacks that occurred in Paris on Friday 13 November 2015. The authorities in France and countries around the world will help to support the people who have been impacted by this event.

Children often worry and know more than we realise. Adults may assume that children are doing okay if they don't talk or ask questions about what has happened. Sometimes they have questions they may not ask unless we provide the opportunity. It is wise for you to monitor your child's exposure to television coverage, print media and social media.

Some children and young people will want to talk about the tragic events and try to make sense of what they have both seen and heard. Other children will avoid any discussion around the events and will be reassured by routine and normality.

Remember the importance of routine, sleep, exercise and healthy eating. There is a range of things you can do to assist your child during events such as this, including:

- Acknowledge that the event was distressing
- Reassure children that they are safe
- Look for signs of distress (e.g. some children/young people might be scared)
- Normalise responses - typical responses will range from anger to general upset or sadness
- Maintain a normal routine - keeping the structure at home or at school in place
- Allow children to express feelings as they arise
- Telling stories about how people manage during difficult times can be helpful.
- Separate fact from fiction e.g. children may express fears about unrelated events.
- Plan relaxing activities before bed – talk your child through a gentle relaxation, this might include using soothing music and talking them through relaxing tension in their body or simply reading something to them that induces relaxation (i.e. a favourite book).
- Speak in hopeful terms – children and young people will often take their cues from their parents' reactions; if you are honest, calm, compassionate and open they will be much more able to trust that they will be okay.
- Always remember the value of doing something with children that they like to do such as playing, exercising, being outdoors - have a time during your day to share time with your child.

Monica Ghirxi

Principal

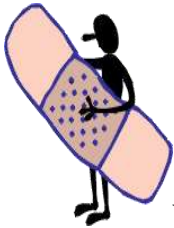
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Library Upgrade

Over the last few months, I have been working closely with architects to design a new, modern, spacious and functional library. The Department of Education has approved the refurbishment and we are now in the process of tendering out the work. All being well, the work will begin on January 25th 2016 and be completed by the beginning of Term 2. The library upgrade will cost the school approximately \$100 000 which we have been saving for over the last few years.

This is a very exciting project and we are all looking forward to using our new learning space!

First Aid



When a child comes into First Aid for minor cuts and grazes, in line with the Department regulations, their wound is washed with water only and if needed, a bandaid is placed over the wound. Schools are not allowed to apply any antiseptic cream etc. Parents are advised to check at home as to whether any follow up treatment is necessary. Please note that, in the case of serious cuts, grazes or injuries, parents or emergency contacts are notified. When these people cannot be notified the school exercises duty of care and takes appropriate action.

Running Late!!

If for some reason you, or your child's carer, is delayed after school, please contact us so that your child can be brought into the office to wait. Children often become distressed if they are not collected at the usual time. By letting us know of your delayed arrival, we can avoid any unnecessary distress.

Students who have not been collected by 3.45 pm are to come into the office to wait for their parents. Once students come into the office, they will not be allowed to leave the building unaccompanied. Parents or carers will have to come inside to collect the students from the office.

This is a matter of student safety.

Sun Smart

A reminder that, as part of the school's Sunsmart policy, all students must wear a broad brimmed school uniform hat during this term, for all outdoor activities. This includes recess and lunch play, during sporting and physical activities lessons outside and during excursions. School broad brimmed hats can be purchased from Beleza.

Our Wonderful Year 6's

Our Year 6 students and teachers are frantically preparing for the Year 6 production to be held on Wednesday 2nd December and the graduation ceremony to be held on Tuesday 15th December. Everything is going really well and my sneak preview of the students practising their dances for the production really brought a happy and proud tear to my eye!

Grand Parents Workshop

A grandparents' workshop is being held on Thursday 26th November for those grandparents who have grandchildren in their care. During the workshop, many local, community services will be speaking about how they can support grandparents in their very important role.

Date: Thursday 26th November

Time: 10.00am to 12.00

Venue: Rowan Park House - 148 Kids Road, Doveton

If you would like to attend, please contact Paula Correia or Linda Ogotua at DNLC on 9791 1449.

Paul Polivou

Assistant Principal

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



DIARY DATES

Monday	23 rd	November	Parent Club Meeting	6.30pm
Tuesday	24 th	November	Year 6 Mini Carnival	
Wed 25 th – Frid 27 th		November	Year 3 / 4 Camp	Phillip Island Adventure Resort
Saturday	28 th	November	Dance Crew Performance	Endeavour Hills Shopping Centre – 10am
Tuesday	1 st	December	Assembly – Student Awards	2.45pm – School Hall
Tuesday	1 st	December	Last Day for R.E	
Tuesday	1 st	December	Helpers' Morning Tea	
Tuesday	1 st	December	Cool Day	
Wednesday	2 nd	December	Year 6 Production	Hallam Senior College
Wednesday	2 nd	December	2016 Year 5/6 Sports Top order due	Payment of \$30 due today
Tuesday	8 th	December	Prep Transition - Teddy Bear Picnic	2.00pm – 3.30pm
Tuesday	8 th	December	Yr 6 Transition to Secondary School	
Wednesday	9 th	December	School Council	6.30pm
Friday	11 th	December	Concert Under the Oaks	6.00 pm

GLENEAGLES SECONDARY COLLEGE
Pets Day Out
21st November, 2015
10am to 3pm

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS:
Dog Breeders
Vets, Dog Trainers
Pet Food, Pet Clothes, Dog Wash, Pet Photography, Pet IDs

ATTRACTIONS:
Pet Q&A
Children's Face Painting
Races & Activities

PET COMPETITIONS:
Fashion Parade / Best Dressed Pet
Furriest Pet Trick
Waggiest Tail

PET STALLS:
Pet Food
Pet Clothes
Pet ID
Pet Photography
Dog Wash & Grooming
Discounted Microchipping

5 LUCKY PEOPLE WIN

HORSE RIDES

THIS EVENT AIMS TO RAISE MONEY FOR STUDENTS AT OUR FRIENDSHIP SCHOOL IN EAST TIMOR



DAY DISCOS @D4



KIDS DANCE PARTIES UPTO 11 YRS OLD

9700 0082

ENDEAVOUR HILLS

School Holiday Program



January School Holidays

Moonlit Sanctuary Junior Ranger Program

Kids enjoy environmental activities, animal encounters and native animal care.

Day includes: interactions with dingo, python, off-limits animals, feeding animals & food prep, animal enrichment activities, fun and games for ages 7-14 years.

January school holiday dates:

- Week 1: Monday 4th to Friday 8th January 10am – 4pm
- Week 2: Monday 11th to Friday 15th January 10am – 4pm
- Week 3: Monday 18th to Friday 22nd January 10am – 4pm

Cost: \$65.00 per day, or \$175 for 3 days (pro rata for additional days).

Maximum 16 children per day.

Bookings essential as spaces are limited

Dress for the weather and wear closed-toe shoes, long pants and remember your hat or raincoat. BYO lunch or purchase at the café.

Moonlit Sanctuary

550 Tyabb-Tooradin Rd, Pearcedale

Phone 5978 7935

Web: www.moonlitsanctuary.com.au/juniorrangers.aspx

Open daily between 10am and 5pm



Bayside Children's Theatre

presents



THE NUTCRACKER CHRISTMAS

A Holiday Pantomime for Children

At the

Beaumaris Community Centre

96 Reserve Road, Beaumaris 3193

December 20-22nd

Shows at 10.30am & 1pm

BOOK EARLY!

[www.ticketebo.com.au
/thenutcrackerchristmas](http://www.ticketebo.com.au/thenutcrackerchristmas)

www.baysidechildrenstheatre.com.au

www.facebook.com/baysidechildrenstheatre

baysidechildrenstheatre@gmail.com

Enquires: 0407 739 056

Adult \$20
Child \$15

Free Balloon!



BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

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

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.

Welcome to another exciting week of Before and After School Care.

This week's Activities in OSHC:

- Monday: Recycle Art
- Tuesday: Puppet show
- Wednesday: Dress ups
- Thursday: Train and block activities
- Friday: Free play, Picnic

If you have any concerns, please feel free to call Mahnaz Mobedi on 0400 194 859 during session times or come in and have a chat!

Y.L.V Team

BELEZA

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.



SCHOOL BANKING

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

IMPORTANT DATES:

27/11/15: Last day to order rewards for delivery by end of term (any rewards ordered after this date may not arrive in time for distribution this year)

11/12/15: Last day of school banking for 2015

5/2/16: First day of school banking for 2016

12/2/16: First day to order rewards (to be confirmed)

REWARDS AVAILABLE IN TERM 4:

When ordering rewards, please use only the slip which was handed out recently and which shows the rewards that are currently available.

PLEASE NOTE: THE SWIMMING BAG IS NO LONGER AVAILABLE.

Ingrid Williams

School Banking Coordinator

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SINGLE PARENTS ACTIVE KIDS PROUDLY PRESENTS: FREE FAMILY FUN DAY

Elwood Park, St Kilda Street Brighton, Sunday 22nd November.

Starting 12 noon.

Free bbq, activities as well as:

Membership specials/renewals and more.

Even if you can't attend there are plenty more opportunities, here is a link to our very active website <http://www.singleparentsactivekids.org/> Like minded single parents to chat with, active kids wanting to play with your active kids, win win!

"single does not mean alone"

Please rsvp to info@singleparentsactivekids.org or call Moush on 0430 504 119.