



CHALCOT WEEKLY

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ACE - HI RANCH SENIOR SCHOOL CAMP



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Happy Campers

A wonderful time was had by the Year 5/6 students and staff this week at Ace High Camp. By all accounts, the food and facilities were first class and the activities were excellent. A big thank you to Mr Napier, Mrs Tynan, Ms Ablitt, Ms Thomas, Ms Rowntree and Mrs Clark for taking great care of our students; it is a definite 24 hour a day job! Congratulations to Mr Napier for his outstanding organisation of this amazing 5 day camping experience.

ANZAC Day 100 Year Commemoration

We wish to thank our Chalcot family for helping to commemorate ANZAC Day. Flowers placed by students under the Australian flag were just beautiful. Our guest, Sergeant Nicolle Morgan, along with our Year 4 helpers Amy Williams, Noah Mraz, Deeya Reddy and Jake Pellowe did a magnificent job of helping everyone to understand the spirit and meaning of ANZAC Day. Our flag bearers Leah Starecki and Joshua Millar ensured the Australian flag was respectfully lowered and raised at the appropriate times. I am very proud of all our Year 3/4 students; they did a fantastic job on preparing the hall for the ANZAC Day ceremony.

Thank you to Roy Condeza from Grace Notes Music School, for his magnificent rendition of the Last Post and Rouse during our Ceremony. The ceremony was capped off by the wonderful Chalcot Choir singing 'Lest We Forget'. Thank you also to Ms Natoli and Ms Warburton, for preparing the choir for this very special occasion. *LEST WE FORGET.*

School Review

Every four years, all schools undergo a self-evaluation of all aspects of their operations. From this, self-evaluation directions for the following four years are identified and these are incorporated in the new Strategic Plan.

2015 is Chalcot Lodge's year of review. The self-evaluation process is already in motion and will be completed by the middle of Term 3. At the end of Term 3, an external reviewer will spend a day discussing our self-evaluation and will make recommendations about inclusions for our new Strategic Plan, which will be completed by the end of the year.

I will be seeking input from the parent community and students in a variety of ways. At our next School Council Meeting, opinions will be gained from School Council and will also be sought during the next Parent Club meeting. Opinions from our Junior School Council and the Student Leadership team will also be sought through discussions and brief surveys.

Attitudes to School Survey

Next week, students in Years 5 and 6 will participate in 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 2015 Annual Report.

Kinder Club

A reminder to all parents of pre-schoolers, that our next Kinder Club will be held on Wednesday 29th April at 2.30pm. Please advise the office on 9700 4455 if your child will be participating. We are now also taking enrolments for 2016. If you have a kinder child who will be enrolling at Chalcot Lodge in 2016, please collect an enrolment pack from the front office.

Mothers' Day Stall

This Mothers' Day, the Parent Club would like to invite all students to buy something special for their Mums, Grandmas or special care givers at the annual Mothers' Day Stall on Thursday 7th May from 9.15am till noon.

All students will have the opportunity to purchase some of the wonderful gifts available. Prices of gifts range from 50 cents to a maximum of \$5.00 each. Students will be able to purchase a maximum of three items each. Students need to bring a named bag to hide the gifts, so that they can keep their gifts a surprise!

If any parents/care givers would like to be a helper on the Mothers' Day stall, please complete the Mothers' Day Helpers notice that was distributed to all families earlier this week. Year 5/6 students who were on camp will receive their notice next Monday.

PFA Shopping Tour

After the great success of last year's shopping tour, the Parent Club are in the process of organising another Shopping Tour Fundraiser, which will be held on Saturday 10th October, just in time for Christmas shopping. To secure a place for you and your friends, please ensure you complete the form sent home last week and return it to the office with full payment by the Thursday 25th June.

Monica Ghirxi
PRINCIPAL

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Library News

Many new library books have been purchased and are now ready for children to borrow. As books are very expensive to purchase, we ask that you please encourage your child to take good care of our books and to return them on time.

At the moment we have many books that are currently overdue or lost. Children with overdue library books will not be permitted to borrow until their overdue books are returned.

Scratch, Scratch, Scratch.....HEAD LICE!

During this week we have had a couple of reported cases of head lice in the Year 1/2 area. We would urge all parents to check their children's and their own hair. Lice do not just infect children's hair!

It is essential that hair is treated with an **appropriate shampoo** and that the hair is sectioned off for thorough **combing with special fine toothed comb** to remove eggs sticking to the hair. Simply washing with your normal shampoo will not help. Students with long hair should wear it tied back while at school.

PREP STUDENTS - Australian Early Development Census

The Australian Early Development Census (AEDC) is a nationwide measure of the development of young children. Every three years, schools (both government and non-government) take part in the national AEDC data collection.

This gives each community in Australia a snapshot of how children have developed by the time they start full-time school. It helps schools, communities and governments to pinpoint the services, resources and support that young children and their families need to help shape the future and wellbeing of Australian children.

The Australian Government and state and territory governments are working in partnership with The Royal Children's Hospital Centre for Community Child Health, the Murdoch Children's Research Institute, and The Telethon Kids Institute, Perth, to deliver the AEDC. The Social Research Centre, Melbourne, is managing the AEDC data.

How does the AEDC help my child and our community?

The AEDC provides communities with essential information about their children's development. The findings from the AEDC will benefit the whole community – helping local schools, community groups and government understand what's working well in the community and what needs to be improved or developed to better support children and their families. It also help to strengthen links between schools, kindergartens and preschools, playgroups, health centres, libraries and other local organisations who support children and families.

The AEDC and your child

An Instrument is completed by your child's teacher. There is no need for parents or children to provide any new or extra information to schools for the AEDC. Children will not be taken out of class and do not need to be present while their teacher completes the Instrument.

Individual results for children are not reported.

Mr P's FOOTY PREDICTIONS

Tigers by 10 points

Lions by 1 point

Hawks by 17 points

Bombers by 21 points

Crows by 44 points

Giants by 12 points

Blues by 21 points

North by 25 points

Dockers by 24 points

Paul Poliviou

Assistant Principal

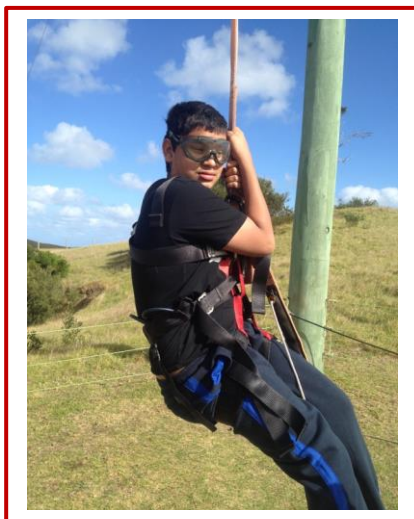
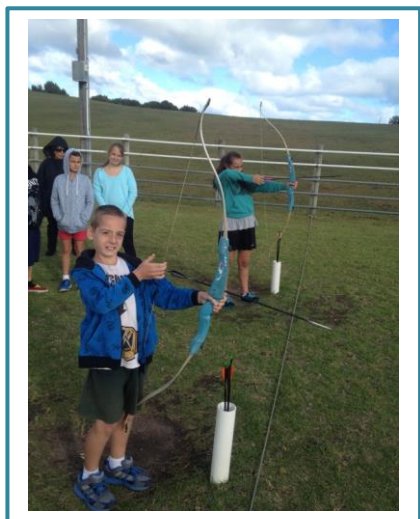


**CANTEEN IS OPEN FOR LUNCH ORDERS AND COUNTER SALES ON WEDNESDAYS & FRIDAYS
CLOSED MONDAY, TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS**



DIARY DATES

Wednesday	29 th	April	Kinder Club	2.30pm - 3.30pm
Thursday	30 th	April	Fun Run	
Friday	1 st	May	Year 5/6 Sport – Doveton College	Away
Tuesday	5 th	May	Assembly	2.30pm-Hall
Wednesday	6 th	May	Talent Quest	11.30am - Hall
Wednesday	6 th	May	School Council Meeting	7.00pm – Staffroom
Thursday	7 th	May	Mothers’ Day Stall	
Friday	8 th	May	Year 5/6 Sport - Hallam	Home
Tuesday	12 th	May	Pink Ribbon Mothers’ Day Morning Tea	9.00am – 10.30am
Wednesday	13 th	May	Finance Committee Meeting	3.45pm – Conference room
Friday	15 th	May	District Cross Country	
Monday 18 th – Friday 22 nd		May	Education Week	
Monday	18 th	May	Parent Club Meeting	6.30pm – Staffroom
Tuesday	19 th	May	UNSW Computer Competition	
Tuesday	19 th	May	Assembly	2.45pm - Hall
Wednesday	20 th	May	Co-op Directors Meeting	3.30pm – Conference room
Thursday	21 st	May	Art Show	6.00pm – 7.30pm
Friday	22 nd	May	Year 5/6 Sport – St Paul Apostle North	Home
Monday	25 th	May	Divisional Cross Country	
Tuesday	26 th	May	A Day in May Concert “Supporting kids with cancer”	
Friday	29 th	May	Year 5/6 Sport – St Paul Apostle South	Away
Monday	1 st	June	Parent Club Executive Meeting	11.00am – Principal’s Office
Friday	5 th	June	Year 5/6 Sport – Southern Cross	Home
Thursday	25 th	June	Parent Club Shopping Tour Payment	Due today



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 activities include:

- * Sensory experiences
- * Science experiments
- * Reading activities

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

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.

SCHOOL BANKING

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

ORDERING REWARDS: The Term 2 rewards are now available to be ordered. Term 1 rewards are also still available, as well as an assortment of rewards from the past 2 years. Rewards may be ordered any time, when you return 10 tokens and the order slip. Tokens must not be shared with siblings or other students.

DISNEYLAND: Throughout 2015, any student who makes 25 or more deposits goes automatically into a draw for a family trip to Disneyland. If you haven't started banking yet this year, there is still time to get 25 deposits in. Good luck!

Ingrid Williams
School Banking Coordinator

SCHOOL PIX MISCELLANEOUS GROUPS PHOTOS


School group photographs are on display in the front office. To purchase your copy, please complete the order form sent home with student leaders earlier this week. Order forms need to be returned back to the school office by 18th May.

COMMUNITY NEWS

The Department of Education and Training (DET) does not endorse the products or services of any private advertiser. No responsibility is accepted by DET for accuracy of information contained in advertisements or claims made by them.

ST MATT'S PLAY GROUP

St Matt's Play group meets at St Matthews Community Church, corner Matthew Flinders Avenue and Daniel Solander Drive, Endeavour Hills on Friday mornings, 9.30am until 11.30am (during school terms). For more information, please contact Anouchka on 0425 756 770.



Adding multiple payment cards & keeping your payments safe

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At checkout, you can easily select from any of your registered cards by simply tapping the 'Payment' option near the top of the checkout screen.

Qkr! is provided by MasterCard so you know your payments are secure. No information will be stored on your phone. Registration details and card information are saved securely on the MasterCard network.

If you choose to pay using a MasterCard, you will also benefit from MasterCard's Zero Liability policy which protects the cardholder from fraud and unauthorized charges.

Qkr Update

New features are constantly being added to the Qkr app. It is important that the latest version of Qkr is used by families to enable quick and easy processing of transactions. The most up to date Qkr version is: 3.9.6.156. Please ensure you are using this version to access full functionality of Qkr.