



CHALCOT WEEKLY

NEWSLETTER No 14 - 15th May 2015

Getting Along Resilience Organisation Persistence Confidence Achievement



**PINK RIBBON
MOTHERS' DAY
MORNING TEA**



FROM THE ACTING PRINCIPAL

NAPLAN

During this week, students in Years 3 and 5 have participated in the National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) assessment. Later in the year, parents will receive their child's personal report. The report will describe your child's particular skills in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions and Numeracy. This report will also show how your child performed in relation to the national benchmark standards. These benchmark standards describe the minimum acceptable standards for students across Australia.

It is important to remember that these tests are just one form of assessment that teachers use to gather information about student progress and are just a snapshot of each child's achievement.

Well done to all the students and teachers who have worked extremely hard in preparation for NAPLAN.

District Cross Country Competition

Congratulations to all our students who participated in the District Cross Country Competition today. Thanks to our amazing PE teacher Ms Thomas for organising our schools participation.

Education Week Celebration

We will be celebrating Education Week next week. Maths & English competitions will be held throughout the week as well as the inaugural ART SHOW on Thursday 21st May.

ART SHOW Schedule:

- 6.00pm – 7.15pm Art Show
- 6.00pm - 6.30pm meals served (Hamburger and a drink: only pre orders).

National Walk to School Day – Friday 22nd May

Next Friday 22nd May is National Walk to School Day. Although walking all the way to school isn't realistic for some of us, it would be great if children can walk some of the way to school.

At the moment on average we have approximately 90 students who walk to school and 190 who are driven by car. Under the guidance of Ms Thomas, senior students will begin to collect 'Hands up Data' that will monitor these figures. Once our Bike shed is up and running hopefully we can see a dramatic decrease in the amount of students driven to school.

Come on Chalcot, it's time that we seriously start talking about walking!!!!

PROBLEM SOLVING

Occasionally, situations arise at school that you as parents feel the need to follow up on behalf of your children. Sometimes it may be a concern with another child or with how a teacher has handled a situation involving your own child. In following up these matters, we would suggest you contact:

- the teacher concerned;
- your child's class teacher;
- the year level coordinator; or if necessary
- myself

It is usually best to make an appointment to talk to the teacher concerned to check the circumstances, so that you can get a full picture of what has occurred. An appointment will also allow the teacher time to collect any additional information necessary to make the best of the appointment time.

We would very strongly advise parents not to approach students to sort out problems themselves.

I know when I follow up incidents, it can sometimes require speaking to a number of people to get the full story. One of the first things I ask students to tell me is if they may have done anything to contribute to the problem. You'd be surprised the number of times that I'm told quite definitely NO. However, that is rarely the case.

SUPERVISION TIMES

I wish to remind parents that supervision of students commences at 8.45am and concludes at 3.45pm. Between these times, when students are in the playground, they are supervised by teaching staff. I would suggest that if parents are having their children dropped off by carers, that it would be advisable to ensure that carers are informed of the times teacher supervision is available.



Mr P's Footy Predictions

North	by 12 points
Crows	by 25 points
Hawks	by 50 points
Giants	by 12 points
Swans	by 30 points
West Coast	by 45 points
Dockers	by 34 points
Pies	by 2 points
Power	by 50 points

Paul Poliviou
ACTING PRINCIPAL

FROM THE ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Pink Ribbon Mothers' Day Morning Tea

Where would we be without our mums?? On Tuesday morning, Chalcot recognised all the hard work and sleepless nights mums have, by hosting our first Pink Ribbon Day Morning Tea. Over 70 mums attended our very pink flavoured morning tea. All the mums really seemed to enjoy their pink marshmallows with chocolate, scones, raspberry rum balls, pink lemonade and much more. Mums were able to sit back and be waited on by our Year 6 students, who also helped Mrs Felton make all the delicious delicacies.

The morning tea was also a fantastic opportunity to help create awareness for women's health. We raised \$326.70, which will be donated to the National Breast Cancer Foundation (NBCF). I would like to thank all the mothers who attended to help make the morning such a success.

A special thank you to Sharyn Allsopp for her emotional speech, it was well received. Lastly, I would like to make a special mention to Mrs Felton and all the staff whose hard work made the morning such an enjoyable success. For further information or if you would like to donate to the NBCF please visit www.nbcf.org.au/.



Picking up your Children after School - A Student Safety Issue

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 the school know of your delayed arrival, we can avoid any unnecessary distress.

Students who have not been collected by 3.45pm are to come into the office to wait for their parents as there are no staff members patrolling the grounds after 3.45pm. Once students come into the office, they will not be allowed to leave unaccompanied. Parents or carers will have to come inside and sign a release form to collect the students from the office.

Punctuality and Regular Attendance

It is essential that students develop a positive attitude to coming to school. To assist this, it is necessary that students arrive at school before the music at 8.55am. Ideally, students should arrive between 8.45am and 8.55am. Students should not be at school unaccompanied before 8.45am, as staff members are not patrolling the ground before that time. Arriving between 8.45am -8.55am will allow students time to meet their friends and line up ready for the 9.00am bell.

Students can feel embarrassed and can also miss important instructions if they arrive after their classmates are already settled. Coming in late may also cause unnecessary problems separating from parents resulting in an unsettled start to the day.

When children are unwell, they should be kept at home where they can rest and recover. Children who are feeling unwell are not able to learn and participate in the class programs effectively. The school will contact parents or emergency contacts to collect sick children.

If your child is not well enough to be at school, they are probably not well enough to be "working" either. However, if the illness is prolonged, you may like to discuss this with the class teacher. It is also very important that other students are not infected. So please, let your child rest in the comforts of their home if they are sick!!

Dean Napier
Acting Assistant Principal

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



DIARY DATES

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 Exhibition	6.00pm – 7.15pm - Hall
Friday	22 nd May	Year 5/6 Sport – St Paul Apostle North	Home
Monday	25 th May	Divisional Cross Country	
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
Tuesday	2 nd June	Assembly	2.45pm - Hall
Wednesday	3 rd June	UNSW Science Competition	
Wednesday	3 rd June	Kinder Club	2:30pm -3:30pm
Thursday	4 th June	Prep Melbourne Aquarium Excursion	\$25 due by: 22 nd May
Friday	5 th June	Year 5/6 Sport – Southern Cross	Home
Monday	8th June	Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday	No school for students
Wednesday	10 th June	Finance Committee Meeting	3:45 - Conference Room
Friday	12 th June	Year 5/6 Sport – Doveton College	Home
Monday	15 th June	UNSW Writing Competition	
Tuesday	16 th June	UNSW Spelling Competition	
Wednesday	17 th June	Year 4 Production	
Wednesday	17 th June	School Council Meeting	7.30pm – Staffroom
Thursday	25 th June	Parent Club Shopping Tour Payment	Due today

CHALCOT LEGEND AWARD – ALEXANDRA STARECKI

Congratulations to Alexandra for being selected to receive the Chalcot Legend Award. Alexandra has been selected for being a wonderful school leader who takes time out of her own lunch times to help others in the Well Being Centre. Well done Alexandra! Alexandra will receive her certificate and canteen voucher at assembly on Tuesday 19th 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 19th May.

0CB	George Tanousis	2/3AC	Talen Saunders
0SC	Mikayla Gauci	3/4AK	Serenity Sumondis
1/2GC	Jack McInnes	3/4RS	Emily Goodall
1/2DE	Sophia Appleton	4/5AT	Josh Millar & Jelena Peric
1/2MK	James Ialongo	5/6AA	Olivia Ashby
1/2JV	Kety Win	5/6DN	Vishal Panditharatne

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.

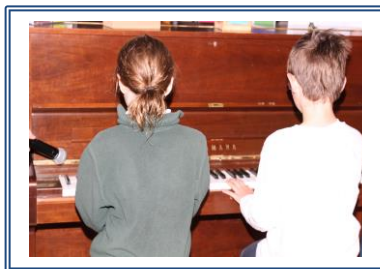
Please feel free to speak to Iris or Alex if you have any concerns. Call 0400 194 859 during session times or come in and have a chat!

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.



Kaelen Mackinnon and Lucy Mayes entertaining mums at the morning tea.

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 month.

Order forms need to be returned back to the school office by Monday 18th May.

WINNER OF THE TIE DYE MOTHERS' DAY CAKE

Congratulations to Justine Bailey on winning the beautiful Tie Dye Mothers' Day Cake during our Pink Ribbon Mothers' Day morning tea.

