THE ROBOTICS

The Robocup teams have been programming and finishing off our Robots. We are also decorating the costumes and backdrops. We have been working through lunchtime and recess to make our robots and to put in our best effort. We are busy fixing all the problems with programming on Lego Mindstorms. We are going to present our robots on August 21st at Melbourne University in our 2 separate groups. Robofish will be performing Nemo and Wacky Wonka’s Group will be performing Willy Wonka!

by Claire Goodall
FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Celebrating Preps’ 100 days of Schooling
Next Tuesday, 28th July, is a very BIG day for our youngest students, as they celebrate 100 days in Preps. Teachers Cathy Bracegirdle and Stephanie Caust have organised some fabulous activities, including a Jumping Castle, to celebrate the day.

Athletics Trials
All Years 3-6 students will have the opportunity to use skills being taught this term at the School’s Athletics Trials, held at Knox Athletics Track, on Tuesday 28th July. This will be a great opportunity and challenge for Year 3 students to gain experience and for Years 4-6 students to represent our school at the District Athletics if eligible. The District Athletics competition will be held on Monday 24th August.

2016 Program Management – School Community Input Sought
It is already that time of the year when we start planning for 2016. I am seeking the school community’s opinion as to what resources you believe the school needs to purchase to support student learning in 2016. Please send your suggestions and feedback via Tiqbiz or email me directly via the school’s email address by Friday 7th August.

Parent Club - Cadbury Fundraiser
We ask that all unsold chocolates be returned to school no later than Monday 27th July. Money should be in the named envelope provided and unsold chocolates in the original bag/box. There is certainly no obligation for families to buy any chocolates that they were unable to sell.

MS Readathon
MS stands for multiple sclerosis, an unpredictable and mysterious disease of the central nervous system (the brain and spinal cord). The healthy body’s immune system normally defends the body from attack by viruses or bacteria. However, in the case of MS, the body’s immune system attacks its own myelin, causing disruption to messages being sent to and from the brain. The myelin becomes scarred and the damaged areas are called scleroses.

The MS Readathon is a reading-based fundraiser run by Multiple Sclerosis Limited (MS). Now in its 35th year, the MS Readathon encourages children to read books and improve their literacy whilst at the same time raising awareness.

Children read as many books as possible during the month of August. Friends and family sponsor participants by the number of books they read, the time they spend reading or by giving a flat donation. These sponsorship funds go to proving essential support services for people living with MS, their families and carers as well as continuing the search for a cure.

The MS Readathon is open to all children from Prep to Year 6. Mrs Velasquez has distributed information and registration forms to those children interested in participating in this year’s MS Readathon challenge.

Monica Ghirxi
Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

CSEF (Camps, Sports, Excursions Fund)
The CSEF, provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities, has been received by the school and $125 (for primary school students) has now been receipted to family accounts. Through Qkr we have set up an allocation option called ‘Permission/Bulk or CSEF payment’. This payment option can be selected when you have previously made a bulk prepayment to the school or have received the CSEF payment. A permission form is generated with details of the activity and admin staff will allocate your funds. A credit card/debit card still needs to be registered to complete the Qkr transaction, but no monetary value is processed. Please contact the office for further information.

UNSW English Competition
Good luck to all the students who are participating in the University of New South Wales English competition next Monday 27th July. The test will look at skills such as grammar and punctuation. Thank you to the wonderful Mr Evans for all his hard work in organising it.

Supporting Children’s Learning @ Home
We see “Learning @ Home” as a shared responsibility between parents, teachers and students. All students from Years Prep to Year 6 are expected to do Learning @ Home tasks. This is of an informal nature in Years Prep - 1, becoming more formal from Years 2 - 6. It may involve reading or sharing a book with a family member, practising some spelling, writing, maths, tables or, when more formal Learning @ Home tasks commence, research work or projects.

Sniff, Sniff
During these cold, winter months our classroom supplies of tissues have quickly disappeared. It would be greatly appreciated if parents could send along a box of tissues to help with the sniffles.

Qkr – Receipts
We have had a lot of parents enquiring lately if they have paid for excursions or activities for their children. Receipts for all Qkr transactions are saved on your devices and can be accessed to confirm payment or non-payment of an activity. A detailed information sheet is included in this weekly.

Please Note
Due to Athletics Carnival on Tuesday 28th July, cooking for 3/4AK has now been changed to Thursday 30th July at 11:30am.

Mr P’s Footy Predications
Hawks by 100 points
Giants by 10 points
Tigers by 1 point
Power by 10 points
Crows by 21 points

Pies by 12 points
Eagles by 50 points
Saints by 12 points
North by 24 points

Paul Poliviou
Assistant Principal
Yummy Creamy Vegetable Soup and Damper was on the menu this week.

"Squeak, squeak", the Rainbow Lorikeet Rio, made a noise in the Adventurers Learning Area. We had a very special in visit from Rio the rainbow Lorikeet. Miss C's brother brought in his brightly coloured pet bird, Rio. We learnt so many things about birds, such as; what to feed them, aviary birds, hand reared birds and birds in the wild. We cannot wait to see Rainbow Lorikeets in Chalcot's Sustainable Outdoor Learning Space.

Ashleigh Boustead 3/4 AK
Viewing Receipts

Receipts of purchases can be viewed on your phone and emailed to you.

1/ Viewing receipts on your phone.
Select the 🛒 app to reveal the first screen
Receipts will appear at the bottom of the screen.

Select ‘Sign in to see your receipts’
You will be required to enter your password

Receipts of your purchases will be displayed
Select the receipt to view in greater detail.
2/ Send receipts to your email

This can be found in Settings

Choose to reveal settings

Qkr! Settings

or from the main screen

Swipe to the right

To reveal the

‘Take a Tour’ Screen

Choose Settings
to reveal the Settings screen

Choose ‘Home’
to return to the Qkr screen with your school location.

Choose to return to the ‘Take a Tour’ screen.

This is where you can,
- Reset your password
- Change your password
- Change Login Id (add a new email address)
- Change your photo
- Add new or multiple cards
- Request receipts are sent to your email
- Prompt for password
- Automatically check for app updates

Emailing Receipts

Turn on ‘Automatic Email Receipts’

Receipts will now be sent to the email address you have previously entered into Qkr.
Introducing Book Club LOOP for Parents.

LOOP, our Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform, allows parents to order and pay for their child's Book Club requirements in one simple online process.

LOOP orders are linked to your school and your Book Club Ordering Group. Orders sit pending until you submit the final school order to us.

If parents want to pay by credit card for online Book Club orders, LOOP makes it easy! Orders will be submitted safe and sound to schools while eliminating the need for paper order forms.

Every child will now receive age appropriate booklets. All booklets are available to view online. Orders may be placed online or through the school.

**Orders are due:** 3rd August, 2015. Late orders may not be accepted.

If you need assistance with placing an order through the LOOP system please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Scandolera or Miss Rowntree.

**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.

Information regarding activities to be held next term will be available in the next newsletter.

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

Y.L.V Team

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**SCHOOL BANKING**

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

**EXTRA COMPETITION FOR TERM 3:** Any child (aged 4 to 13) who makes 3 or more deposits this term will automatically be in the draw to win an iPad mini, a pair of headphones or a book voucher. Carry out the Money Mission at [www.commbank.com.au/prizeportal](http://www.commbank.com.au/prizeportal) for an extra entry into the draw.

**DISNEYLAND:** Throughout 2015, any student who makes 25 or more deposits goes automatically into a draw for a family trip to Disneyland. Good luck!

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.

**TRIVIA NIGHT**

All available tables for the Chalcot Trivia Night have been sold! If you weren’t quick enough to secure a table, please contact the office as we may be able to arrange one for you.