

Growing a Supportive Community of Active Learners



***NEW
PLAYGROUND
EQUIPMENT!***



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

School Safety Procedures-Parents/Visitors at School

All volunteers at the school, including parent helpers, are required to have a current “Working With Children Check”.

All volunteers and visitors to the school, (including parents who are just popping for 5 minutes) **must come to** the office to sign the Visitors Register and to collect a school security badge before commencing their activity each visit. **The visitors badge must be worn at all times and clearly displayed.**

Please note that the school has made the following changes to Late Arrivals and Early Release procedures:

- When dropping off your child late to school, you must first come into the office and sign in the ‘Student Late Arrival’ register. If arriving to school after 9.15am, your child will be escorted to their classroom by the school.
- When picking up your child early, again you must come to the office to sign the ‘Early Release’ register. Your child will then be called down to meet you in the office.
- We have many parents who drop off items (such as lunches, drink bottles, jumpers, homework, etc) for their children during school time. Parents must come to the office to drop off these items and the school will ensure that items are given to your child.

These procedures ensure the safety of our students and all visitors within the school grounds and minimise disruption to teaching and learning time in the classrooms.

Parent Opinion Survey

Forty families who have been electronically, randomly selected will soon receive through the mail, the 2016 Parent Opinion Survey, which is issued each year by the Department of Education & Training. Completed surveys need to be returned to school in the sealed envelope provided by Friday 29th July. Once returned, the sealed envelopes are sent by us to a company contracted by the Department to collate responses and to provide us with the collated data. Confidentiality is maintained and all responses are anonymous.

In order to maintain the validity of the data, it is very important that all those parents who receive a survey complete and return it by Friday 29th July.

Athletics Trials

All Year 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 26th July. This will be a great opportunity and challenge for Year 3 students to gain experience, and for Year 4-6 students to represent our school at the District Athletics if eligible. The District Athletics competition will be held on Monday 22nd August.

Celebrating Preps’ 100 days of Schooling



Next Thursday 28th July is a very BIG day for our youngest students, as they celebrate 100 days in Preps. Teachers Melissa Kodogiorgos and Stephanie Caust have organised some fabulous activities to make this a very special day for our little ones. .

Parent Club - Cadbury Fundraiser

We ask that all unsold chocolate please be returned to school no later than Friday 29th 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.

Monica Ghirxi
Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Digital Learning

Digital Learning opens up an exciting world of learning opportunities for your child. Students use a range of technologies enabling them to access information, resources, software and tools that can support and enhance their learning activities. Digital technologies also enable you to have greater involvement in your child's learning. Your child will be using technology both in the classroom and at home to connect, collaborate, curate and create content, and to share their work with you, their teachers and other learners.

The use of digital technologies also enables your child to learn anywhere and at any time, and teachers have greater access to learning resources to help them plan and provide activities.

The Department provides access to quality digital resources through its learning website FUSE. Your child can access thousands of educational resources from around the world including websites, videos, images, audio and more, all quality assured by teachers.

Your child can discover, engage with and learn about subjects and ideas supporting their classroom activities and use FUSE to expand their learning by exploring new areas that they are interested in.

You can use FUSE at home to engage with your child's learning. Discover resources at: [FUSE Primary Students](#)

Parking Safety Issue

Parents are reminded about the dangers of double and, sometimes, triple parking near the school. It is of great concern that the safety of children is being jeopardised by a most unsafe and illegal practice.

School Council has requested that City of Casey Law Enforcement Officers regularly patrol the school. **By law, offenders can be fined.** School Council has also been advised that registration numbers of offenders can be forwarded to the City of Casey Law Enforcement Officers and action will be taken.

It is suggested that if parents are having their children dropped off or collected by carers, that they be informed of this safety issue.

Every Day Counts

Schooling is compulsory for children and young people aged from 6 – 17 years unless an exemption from attendance has been granted.

Daily school attendance is important for all children and young people to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally. Children and young people who regularly attend school and complete Year 12 or an equivalent qualification have better health outcomes, better employment outcomes, and higher incomes across their lives. It is important that children develop habits of regular attendance at an early age.

School participation is important as it maximises life opportunities for children and young people by providing them with education and support networks. School helps people to develop important skills, knowledge and values which set them up for further learning and participation in their community.

Parents are required to ensure their child attends school and to provide an explanation for their child's absence from school. Where possible, parents should inform the school in advance of upcoming absences if **longer than 3 days**. Student absence parent approvals can be recorded via tiqbiz.

Mr P's Footy Predictions

North by 12 points
Eagles by 60 points
Bombers by 12 points

Swans by 50 points
Dogs by 34 points
Hawks by 100 points

Suns by 23 points
Cats by 1 point
Power by 25 points

Paul Poliviou
Assistant Principal



DIARY DATES

Monday	25 th	July	Parent Club	6.30pm – Staffroom
Tuesday	26 th	July	Yrs. 3-6 School Athletics	
Friday	29 th	July	Bogan Bingo	\$35 – tickets still available
Friday	29 th	July	Chocolate Money due	Please return any unsold chocolates
Tuesday	2 nd	August	Book Week Invisit	\$5 payment due by 29 th July via QKR
Tuesday	2 nd	August	English Competition	ICAS
Tuesday	2 nd	August	Assembly	2.40pm – Hall
Friday	5 th	August	Yr. 3-6 MCG Excursion	\$25 payment due by 29 th July via QKR
Wednesday	10 th	August	Kinder Club	2.30pm – 3.30pm
Wednesday	10 th	August	School Council	7.00pm – Staffroom
Tuesday	16 th	August	Maths Competition	ICAS
Tuesday	16 th	August	Assembly	2.45pm – Hall
Wednesday	17 th	August	Choir concert	7.00pm – Hall
Tuesday – Friday	23 rd - 26 th	August	Life Education	\$9 payment due by 17 th August via QKR
Wednesday	31 st	August	Movie Night	
Thursday	1 st	September	Fathers' Day Stall	
Tuesday	6 th	September	Parent Club Footy Day	Gold Coin Donation

BOOK WEEK CELEBRATION

As part of the Chalcot Lodge Book Week celebrations, students will have the opportunity to experience an exciting visit from well-known children's author, Leigh Hobbs (author of books such as 'Old Tom', 'Horrible Harriet' and 'Fiona the Pig'). During the invisit, Leigh Hobbs will be inspiring and encouraging our students to be writers and will show them how to write with confidence.

On the day, students are also invited to dress up as their favourite book character. Students will have the opportunity to show off their costumes during assembly and talk about and share their character with others. This year, the Make a Wish Foundation is partnering with the Children's Book Council of Australia to celebrate all things books! Chalcot Lodge Primary School is proudly sponsoring the Make a Wish Foundation in helping children battling life threatening conditions, dreams come true.



LITTLE FROGS PLAYGROUP

The next session will be on Wednesday 27th July at 9:15am. If you would like to take part of this wonderful program, please contact the office on 9700 4455.

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.

This week activities include:

- Create some cool animal pegs
- Shaving cream art
- Paper collage
- Tongue twister, tic-tac-toe
- Decorate your own biscuits for afternoon snack

If you have any concerns please feel free to speak to Shani on 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 the school.

SCHOOL BANKING

Don't forget that EVERY FRIDAY is School Banking day and students should hand in their deposit book first thing on Friday.

REWARDS NEWS: The MUD SPLAT HANDBALL is NO LONGER AVAILABLE, and there is ONLY ONE FLYING SNAKE TAIL available for our bankers to order. If your child wishes to order the Flying Snake Tail, please also show a second choice, in case we have run out. The following items are available while stocks last: Backtrack Eraser Pen (new item), Dollarmites MoneyBox, ET DVD, Galaxy Glider, Intergalactic Rocket, Jump and Skip Rope (new item), Outback Pat Bag Tag, Outer Space Savers Money Box, and Wildlife Writer Set. If you don't have an order slip for any of these, just supply a note along with your 10 tokens.

AUSTRALIA ZOO COMPETITION:

Students who have made a minimum of 15 deposits by the end of this term will automatically go in the running to win a family trip for up to 2 adults and 3 children to explore Australia Zoo and meet Bindi and Robert Irwin, so keep making those deposits!

NEW TERM 3 COMPETITION:

Students who make a minimum of 3 deposits over the 10 banking Fridays in Term 3 will have a chance to win some cool prizes, such as camping kits, instant cameras and magazine packs. There will also be a second prize pool, in which entrants who complete an online activity will be eligible to win one of 50 PlayStation 4 packs. Schools of eligible students are also in the running for prizes of sports equipment. More details will be supplied when available.

Ingrid Williams

School Banking Coordinator