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CHALCOT WEEKLY NEWSLETTER No 30 – 7th October, 2016
Welcome Back
It has been wonderful to see all students, staff and parents happy to be back at school and ready for an exciting term ahead of us. We have many activities planned this term, so please keep your eye on the Diary Dates section of the Chalcot Weekly. Some of this term’s upcoming events include:

- Swimming Program
- Year 3/4 Gleneagles Cup
- Prep Transition Program
- Remembrance Day Assembly
- Year 6 Production and Graduation
- Parent Helpers Thank You Morning Tea
- Concert Under the Oaks

Chalcot Gardeners
A very big thank you to Mrs Bracegirdle and the many green thumb parents and staff who joined her during the school holidays to tidy up and beautify our vegetable patch and garden beds in front of the administration area. What a difference it has made to the appearance of the school!!!!!!

Thank you so much to our committed parents and staff who have supported Mrs Bracegirdle in her gardening quest.

Term 4 Curriculum Day - Monday 31st October
Monday 31st October is a School Council approved Curriculum Day. During this day, teachers will be planning and documenting the 2017 and 2018 Student Learning Programs from Years Prep to 6, in line with the new Victorian Curriculum. Under the leadership of Dean Napier, teachers will unpack the new Victorian Curriculum focusing on the areas of Geography, History, Science, Technology, Civics & Citizenships and Economics & Business. Monday 31st October will a Student Free Day.

Riding our Bikes to School
Now that the weather is improving, I am sure that many of our Year 4 to 6 students will be keen to either ride or scoot their way to school!

Prep Transition Program
Our formal Transition Program commences Term 4, in place of our Kinder Club. This program is only for children who have been enrolled in Prep for 2017 and their parents. During this Transition Program, whilst the children are in the Prep rooms becoming more familiar with their primary school environment, parents will be provided with information in relation to the running of the school, the Prep Program and how they can assist their child to have a smooth start to their primary school life. The dates of the Prep Transition sessions are Wednesday 26th October from 2.30pm – 3.30pm and Tuesday 6th December from 2pm to 3.30pm.

A reminder to families with children who are commencing at our school next year, to please complete and return the school enrolment form as soon as possible. Enrolment packs are available at the office. We would also appreciate any families who will not be attending Chalcot Lodge next year to advise us now.

Monica Ghirxi
Principal
Welcome Back
Welcome back everyone! I hope you all had a very relaxing and enjoyable term break. We have a very exciting term ahead with many wonderful activities planned. Thank goodness the footy is over… especially if you are a swans supporter. Well done to the doggies, and Mr Napier was there to witness your first Grand Final win in 62 years.

Term 4 - Wearing School Hats is Compulsory
Many students are still not bringing their hats to school. All students must wear their school uniform broad brim hat when outside. Students who do not have their hats during recess times will be asked to stay under the covered way adjacent to the office.

As part of our Sun Smart Policy:
Students must wear a uniform hat during Terms 1 and 4 for all outdoor activities. During Physical Education and sporting activities students are required, where possible, to wear a hat or remain in the shade. In this week’s newsletter, I have included a copy of the School’s Dress Code policy which includes the sanctions which will be followed if students consistently do not follow the school’s Dress Code policy, including the wearing of school hats.

Gleneagles Cup Monday 10th October
Good luck to our Year 3 and 4 students who are competing for the Gleneagles Cup on Monday. Just remember to have fun and try your best. Chalcot Lodge is going for back2back Gleneagles Cup titles, in 2016!

Parent Club Bunnings BBQ
The Parent Club is holding their annual fundraising Sausage Sizzle, at Bunnings, Gladstone Road Dandenong on Saturday 22nd October from 8.00am to 4.00pm. This is a fantastic fundraising opportunity to continue raising money for the school. If you are able to assist for a couple of hours during the day, please complete the helpers’ form which can be found on Tiqbiz.

Chalcot Movie Night DVD
The Chalcot Movie Night DVD will be available for order until next Friday, 14th October. The DVD will contain all 11 movies along with the red carpet photos taken by our paparazzi on the night and the Green Team movie. The cost of DVD is $10.00 and all funds raised will go to the ICT Program.

Please place your order and make payment via Qkr by Friday 14th October or contact the office to make alternate arrangements. No orders will be accepted after Friday 14th October.

Dean Napier
Acting Assistant Principal
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**Student Free Day**

**Public Holiday**

**Term 4 Ends**

**Student Free Day**
Congratulations to Ajron for being selected to receive the Chalcot Legend Award. Ajron has been selected for being a fantastic member of the 5/6 unit. He listens well, asks questions and often shares his ideas. He makes excellent choices to ensure he completes his work on time and to the highest standard. Super work, Ajron! Keep it up!

**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 11th October.

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**Educational Assessment Australia – Spelling Competition**

Congratulations to the following students from Years 3 to 6 who participated in the International Competitions & Assessments for School (ICAS) Spelling Competition.

The results were as follows:

- Credit – Jasrah Ahmed, Christos Stylianou, Andrea Kovac, Arif Sunil, Priyanka Suja Rani and Marko Kovac
- Merit – Campbell Newton and Deeya Reddy
- Participation – Nivedita Poudel and Amy Williams

**Educational Assessment Australia – Writing Competition**

Congratulations to the following students from Years 3 to 6 who participated in the International Competitions & Assessments for School (ICAS) Writing Competition.

The results were as follows:

- Distinction – Arif Sunil
- Credit – Jason Lamb
- Participation – Allegra Murphy, Nivedita Poudel, Deeya Reddy and Priyanka Suja Rani

**Educational Assessment Australia – English Competition**

Congratulations to the following students from Years 3 to 6 who participated in the International Competitions & Assessments for School (ICAS) English Competition.

The results were as follows:

- Credit- Priyanka Suja Rani
- Merit- Tyler Foulston and Jasrah Ahmed
- Participation- Amy Williams, Deeya Reddy, Mashood Ahmed, Arif Sunil, Nivedita Poudel and Allegra Murphy

The students will receive their certificates at the next assembly on Tuesday 11th October.

David Evans

English Coordinator
CHALCOT LODGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

POLICY: STUDE NT DRESS CODE

PURPOSE
To promote safety, a sense of pride, school spirit and equality among students through the wearing of school uniform.

GUIDELINES
- All School Councils have the authority to create and implement dress codes for their students. This authority arises from Ministerial Order under the Education Act 2006.
- The Dress Code Policy must be in accordance with the Equal Opportunity Act 1995 and must ensure that all requirements enable both sexes to participate actively and safely in school life.
- School Council cannot discriminate, either directly or indirectly against any student on the basis of their sex, race, ethnic group, nationality, religious beliefs, colour or disability.

IMPLEMENTATION
(To be read in conjunction with current school uniform list)
- The student Dress Code will apply during school hours, while travelling to and from school, and if required, when students are engaged in school activities out of school hours;
- The uniform range will be supplied by a uniform company agreed upon by School Council;
- The school uniform range will be developed following a consultative process with sections of the school community to ensure comfort, practicality, lasting quality, cost effectiveness and safety;
- A list of school uniform items and prices will be available from the office;
- No variations to the items in the official Chalcot Lodge PS uniform list is acceptable;
- Parents seeking exemption need to apply to the Principal in writing stating specific reasons;
- It is the Principal's managerial role to make decisions regarding the exemption from wearing school uniform;
- In line with legal requirements, grounds necessitating exemption include where:
  - an aspect of the code offends a religious belief held by the student/parents/guardians
  - an aspect of the code prevents the student from complying with a requirement of their ethnic or cultural background
  - an aspect of the code prevents students with disabilities from being able to attend school or participate in school activities on the same terms as other students
  - the student has a particular health condition that requires a departure from an aspect of the code
  - the student or the parents/guardians can demonstrate particular economic hardship that prevents them from complying with the code.
- When considering a request for exemption, the Principal may allow modification of dress requirements or grant a complete exemption or deny an exemption from wearing school uniform;
- The Principal will respond in writing to any request for exemption from wearing school uniform;
- A summary report of any applications for exemption and the decisions arrived at will be tabled at the following School Council meeting;
- A written record of the decision on the applications and the reasons for the decision will be kept by the Principal;
- All prospective students and parents will be notified of the dress code requirements prior to enrolment at the school including the Sunsmart Policy;
- Teachers may issue a 'Uniform Pass' badge to students, if appropriate parental explanation has been issued in writing;
- Parents of pre-school children will be advised of sales procedures;
- The Principal and/or Student Well-being Coordinator will organise uniforms from the school’s pre-loved uniform supply, or through the State School Relief organisation, for those families who are facing economic hardship;
- Uniform garments will be priced by the supplying company;
- The school uniform colours are white and bottle green.
- In Year 6, students will have an option of purchasing a special windcheater to acknowledge their final year as senior students and to keep as a memento. The windcheater is to be worn only by the student during that year and is not part of the uniform at any other year level or any other year;
- In Year 5 & 6, students will wear the school’s uniform range top when participating in interschool sports or representing the school in an official sporting event. Students will also be required to wear shorts, culottes or tracksuit pants with runners and white, grey or green socks.
- Students will be required to wear school uniform on excursions as a matter of safety for easy identification;
- Students may be excluded from participating in excursions on the grounds of safety or representing the school in the community for optional educational activities, if they are not wearing school uniform;
- Students must wear the school uniform broad brim hat during Terms 1 and 4 and adhere to the Sunsmart Policy for all outdoor activities;
- Students not wearing a hat will be required to stay under cover within the perimeter of the lower courtyard area;
- During PE and sporting activities, the teacher in charge may deem it inappropriate or impractical for students to wear hats depending on the nature of the activity;
- Permission notices for all school excursions must state dress code for the activity;
- Hair must be of a natural colour;
- Headbands, ribbons, scrunchies etc must be green, black or white;
- Students are not permitted to wear any makeup including nail polish, body or hair glitter;
• Parents must supply a note to the teacher if there are medical reasons why a student needs to wear lip protection;
• To enhance student safety, the only jewellery allowed includes: ear studs or plain ear sleepers and watches, medical bracelets or small symbols appropriate to the student’s religion, which are to be worn on a necklace under the uniform;
• only one piercing per ear is to be worn by students and that no other piercings will not be permitted;
• fake or real tattoos are not to be worn by students unless for religious significants;
• Socks must be black, grey or white.
• Shoes must be either black school shoes or runners which are largely white or black without brands or decoration. Open toed footwear must not be worn for safety reasons;
• All students must wear an art smock (of any colour) when working in the Visual Arts room, preferably with elasticised neck and wrists;
• Dance Crew and Choir members are to wear their uniforms as required for special performances within or outside of the school;
• In recognition of religious expectations and the special needs of some students, School Council has approved the following items to be included in the school uniform range;
  - White head scarf in summer
  - Black head scarf in winter
  - White or green leggings (footless stockings) under summer dress. Stockings must be full length
  - Full length Black stockings under black culottes
  - Full length green stockings under green culottes and green winter dress
  - White long sleeve skivvy under summer dress
• The enforcement of the Student Dress Code Policy will consist of a series of graded sanctions which will be followed sequentially. They are:
  1. Verbal warning to be given, student to remove inappropriate jewellery/makeup. Hair colour to be removed by student if possible, parent may need to be contacted to remove hair colour. Students wearing incorrect uniform will be offered preloved items to wear for that day, with the exception of hats. Students not wearing hats will be directed to stay undercover in the courtyard.
  2. Written warning sent home and documented on the student’s Behaviour Record
  3. 15 minutes withdrawal in the office area during the next recess, parent contacted by phone by Assistant Principal and documented on the student’s Behaviour Record
  4. Withdrawal in the office area for 15 minutes of a morning recess and 30 minutes of a lunch recess, parent contacted by Principal and invited to attend a conference meeting with the Student Welfare Coordinator and Principal. Documentation made on the student’s Behaviour Record
  5. Withdrawal in the office area for 30 minutes of a morning recess and 1 hour of a lunch recess, parent contacted by Principal and documentation made on the student’s Behaviour Record
  6. Withdrawal in the office area on two days for 30 minutes of a morning recess and 1 hour of a lunch recess parent contacted by Principal and documentation made on the student’s Behaviour Record
  7. Withdrawal in the office area for three days for 30 minutes of a morning recess and 1 hour of a lunch recess, parent contacted by Principal and documentation made on the student’s Behaviour Record
• Teachers will be issued with copies of the Student Dress Code Policy, parent notification slips and uniform passes.

**EVALUATION**
The Student Dress Code policy will be reviewed by staff and the Education Policy Comm
LITTLE FROGS PLAYGROUP
The Little Frogs Playgroup will continue every Wednesday at 9:15am for the rest of the year except school holidays. If you would like to take part in 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.

Next week’s activities include:
- Aboriginal culture exploration
- Sponge throwing
- Bubbles
- Pom-pom making

For program information, bookings or cancellations, please contact Emily or Lauren on 0400 194 859 on weekdays.

Y.L.V Team

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