DANCE CREW
FROM THE PRINCIPAL

2017 School Captains
I am pleased to announce that the selection process for the 2017 School Captains has been completed. Mr Poliviou and I feel extremely proud of each and every one of the applicants and we found making a final selection very difficult, as all of the applicants are terrific young members of the Chalcot family. It is with great pleasure that I announce that the 2017 School Captains are Justyna Komar & Jake Pellowe and the 2017 School Vice Captains are Sarah O’Callaghan & Noah Mraz.
Mr Poliviou and I look forward to working with these students as part of our Student Leadership Team in 2017.
I also wish to thank and acknowledge the 2016 School Captains, Priyanka Suji Rani & Marko Kovac and Vice Captains Catharina Truong & Tyron Huon. They have fulfilled all aspects of their leadership roles with pride and to a very high standard. I greatly appreciate their support and know that their experiences will put them in good stead for the future.

The following Leadership positions for 2017 have also been finalised. Congratulations to the following students:

House Captains
Bluegum Captains: Ethan Landman & Serenity Sumondis
Bluegum Vice Captains: Logan Running & Audrey Papaeefstathiou

Eucalypt Captains: Albin George & Leah Starecki
Eucalypt Vice Captains: Lachlan Mamuhewa & Natarsha Anselmi

Banksia Captains: Troy Kanapathy & Rozhan Nasr
Banksia Vice Captains: Joshua Miller & Deeya Reddy

Acacia Captains: Gatkuoth Gatkuoth & Ashleigh Boustead
Acacia Vice Captains: James Ozols & Asal Younesi

ICT Leaders
Ethan Adams
Troy Kanapathy
James Ozols
Liam O’Callaghan
Samir Alketiri
Josh Millar
Mashood Ahmed
Enrique Salinas
David Swierczek
Alejandro Salinas
William Makoni
Asher Lowson
Josh Kurz
Christy Allsopp

The Green Team Leaders
Ethan Adams
Amy Williams
Justyna Komar
Jemila Simpson

The Green Team Friends
Casey Fullard
Serenity Sumondis
Rozhan Nasr
Olivia Corrigan
Grace Truong
Liam O’Callaghan

Art Monitors
Josh Kurz
Chantel Fullard
Olivia Corrigan
Amy Williams
Sophie Yem
Andrea Kovac
Jemila Simpson
Tameka Roberts

Garden Monitors
Lachlan Mamuhewa
Audrey Papaeefstathiou
Leah Sterecki
Christy Allsopp
Joshua Simpson
Jenny Mayes
Chantel Fullard
Tonight’s Concert under the Oaks
Our ‘Concert under the Oaks’ is on tonight. The evening starts at 6.00pm with a Chalcot family picnic. All families will need to bring along their own food and drinks as there will be no sausage sizzle provided this year. Please also provide your child with a towel or small cushion to sit upon and chairs or a rug for yourselves.
Parent Club will be selling a limited amount of soft drinks and copies of the Chalcot Cook Book ($5.00 each) prior to the commencement of the concert. The concert will commence at 6.45pm and we anticipate the evening will conclude by approximately 8.30pm.
Don’t forget to bring your spare gold coins for the special effort draw!!!!
In line with the Department of Education policies and procedures, this Chalcot Lodge family night is strictly an alcohol free evening and that smoking is banned within four metres of any entrance and within the school grounds.
See you tonight!!!!!!

Santa Clause is coming to Chalcot!

Thankyou Helpers Morning Tea
This week, the staff were able to thank members of the Chalcot family who have helped our students in so many different ways throughout the year. Staff put on a lovely morning tea and it was a great opportunity to sit and relax together.
I know that many of our helpers were unable to attend and I just want to say a very special thank you to everyone who has donated their time and effort; we really do rely on your support which comes in many shapes and forms.
Basically, it’s all about the children, and we are so grateful for the significant contributions that you make. On behalf of the staff and students, THANK YOU!!!!!!

Class Parties
A reminder that, end of year class parties will be held next Wednesday 14th December from 12.30pm to 1.30pm. Everyone will need to bring along something to share and their own disposable cup and plate. Students may wear casual festive dress on this day, but please note NO hair colouring spray or face paint is permitted and appropriate footwear must be worn. There will be no charge for free dress on this day.

Reports Coming Soon
All students will be receiving their December reports next Thursday 15th December, which will highlight to parents their children’s achievements, areas for improvement and future learning directions. The reports will also provide assessments in relation to effort, behaviour and attendance. Included in the envelope containing the reports, will be a slip to inform parents of classes and teachers for 2017.
Next Thursday, students will be meeting their 2017 class teachers and talking about the new school year.

Year 6 Graduation
The Year 6 Graduation marks the pinnacle of life at primary school for students and we will be holding our graduation ceremony next Tuesday 15th December.
I am looking forward to listening to their individual speeches, celebrating the highlights of their seven years of achievement at primary school and presenting them with Graduation Certificates. Parent Club will be giving a graduation bear to each graduate and I know that these will be treasured forever.

End of 2016 School Year – Last Day for Students Monday 19th December
The final Curriculum Day for 2016 will be held on Tuesday 20th December. During the day, staff will be very busy organising classrooms & equipment and completing administrative requirements ready for the commencement of the 2017 school year.
Tuesday 20th December is a student free day.
As we have a Curriculum Day on Tuesday 20th December, students’ last day of school will be on Monday 19th December, students will be dismissed at 2.30pm. We will be holding our final assembly for the year on Monday 19th December at 1.45pm and children will be dismissed from their classrooms.
Last Day School: Time Table for Monday 19th December
9.00 to 11.00  Class time
11.00 to 11.30  Recess
11.30 to 12.30  Class time
12.30 to 12.40  Eating time
12.40 to 1.40  Lunch play
1.45 to 2.15  Assembly
2.15 to 2.30  Class time
2.30  School Dismissal

Term Dates for 2017
The first day of Term 1 (Monday 30th January), 2017 is a student-free day in all government schools to allow for appropriate planning to take place for the arrival of students. Each year government schools are provided with four student-free days for professional development, school planning and administration, curriculum development, and student assessment & reporting purposes. Therefore, students in Years 1 to 6 will commence school on Tuesday 31st January and Prep students will commence on Thursday 2nd February.
Term 1: 30 January (teachers start) to 31 March
Term 2: 18 April (Tuesday) to 30 June
Term 3: 17 July to 22 September
Term 4: 9 October to 22 December

Farewell – Mrs Jeanette Velasquez
It is with great sadness for Chalcot Lodge Primary School but with great happiness for Mrs Velasquez, that I announce her retirement from the Department of Education and Training. Jeannette has had a very long and successful teaching career, touching the hearts and minds of so many students over the last 40 years.

We hope Mrs Velasquez retirement days are filled with new adventures, sleep-ins and lots of lunches!!!!!! Congratulations on your retirement Jeanette…… from your Chalcot Family!

Having a baby!!!!
Congratulations to Stephanie Kropp on her soon to arrive baby boy. Mrs Kropp will be on maternity leave next year experiencing the joys of motherhood. This is a very exciting time for Mrs Kropp and her husband, we all can’t wait to see baby Kropp!!!!

Going for a short while – Ms Niki Natoli
Ms Niki Natoli will be taking leave next year to spend some time with her young children. It’s certainly not goodbye Niki, but see you soon. We hope Niki has a wonderful time next year watching her children grow and experiencing the wonders of parenting.

Christmas Cheer
Chalcot Family Member Lindy Ogotau, is collecting and asking for donated clothes, toys and gifts for the homeless and less fortunate in our community. All items that are donated will be made into Christmas packs for the families. They don't have to be new, as long as they are in good condition that would be great! If you have anything at all that would help, please contact Lindy Ph: 0450-543-837.

Make a Difference Project
Compass Church is making a difference through collecting new or barely used stationary to support children in Fiji and Malawi attending school.
If you have any good quality stationary cluttering up your house please consider a donation. Here are a few suggestions:
- Coloured Pencils, crayons, textas
- Pencil sharpeners
- School Books – scrapbooks, exercise books, binder books
- Craft Material – glue, scissors, paintbrushes
A Tub is located in the front office and will be there for collections until the 16th Dec.
Early 2017 there will be a uniform collection of old Chalcot Lodge uniforms, if anyone has them still in your cupboards please hang onto them for collection in 2017.
Monica Ghirxi
Principal
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Congratulations to all the students who participated in this year’s University of New South Wales Mathematics Competition!
The students will be receiving their awards at assembly on Tuesday 13th December.
Year 3-
HIGH DISTINCTION: Daniel Williams.
Year 4-
PARTICIPATION: Jenny Mayes. CREDIT: Jason Lamb, Andrea Kovac, Arif Sunil.
Year 5-
Year 6-
PARTICIPATION: Marko Kovac. MERIT: Campbell Newton, Priyanka Suja Rani.
Anastasia Leggas
Mathematics Co-ordinator

2017 School Fees
Payment of 2017 school fees can now be made through Qkr. Please contact the office if you did not receive your child’s booklist or would like to make alternative arrangements for payment. All students will receive their box of classroom supplies next year once payment has been made.
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.

Next week’s activities include:

- Create a beautiful picture frame.
- Cricket
- Making a Christmas wreath.
- Basketball
- Crossing the river Jordon.

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

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.

NEW ACCOUNTS: Our School Banking program is a fun way for your child to develop the knowledge and confidence to handle their money, combining a savings Rewards Program with great activities throughout the year. If you would like your child to participate in our School Banking program please register your interest on an eFormat [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking). The Bank will send you a reminder email in January to sign your child up for School Banking, either online at [www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking](http://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking) or by visiting a Commonwealth Bank branch. We do not keep application forms at the school office anymore. For every new account signed on, the school receives a commission of $5 after the first deposit, and for every deposit the school receives a commission of 5% of the amount of the deposit (capped at $10).

ALL BANKERS - REMEMBER: If you make a minimum of 1 deposit per calendar month and no withdrawals during the year, you will be awarded bonus interest the following January. So REMEMBER to go into the branch to make at least one deposit during January to start off the new year! Thanks for being a part of School Banking this year!

IMPORTANT DATES:
3/2/17: First day of school banking for 2017

REMINDER TO GRADE 6 STUDENTS: You can still do School Banking with us once you begin high school, if you wish to send your book along with a sibling or parent/carer.

REWARDS NEWS: We are not able to order any more rewards this year. Hold on to your tokens for next year, when a new range of rewards will be available. Once the new year starts, we will distribute details of the new rewards and when they can be ordered.

Ingrid Williams
School Banking Coordinator