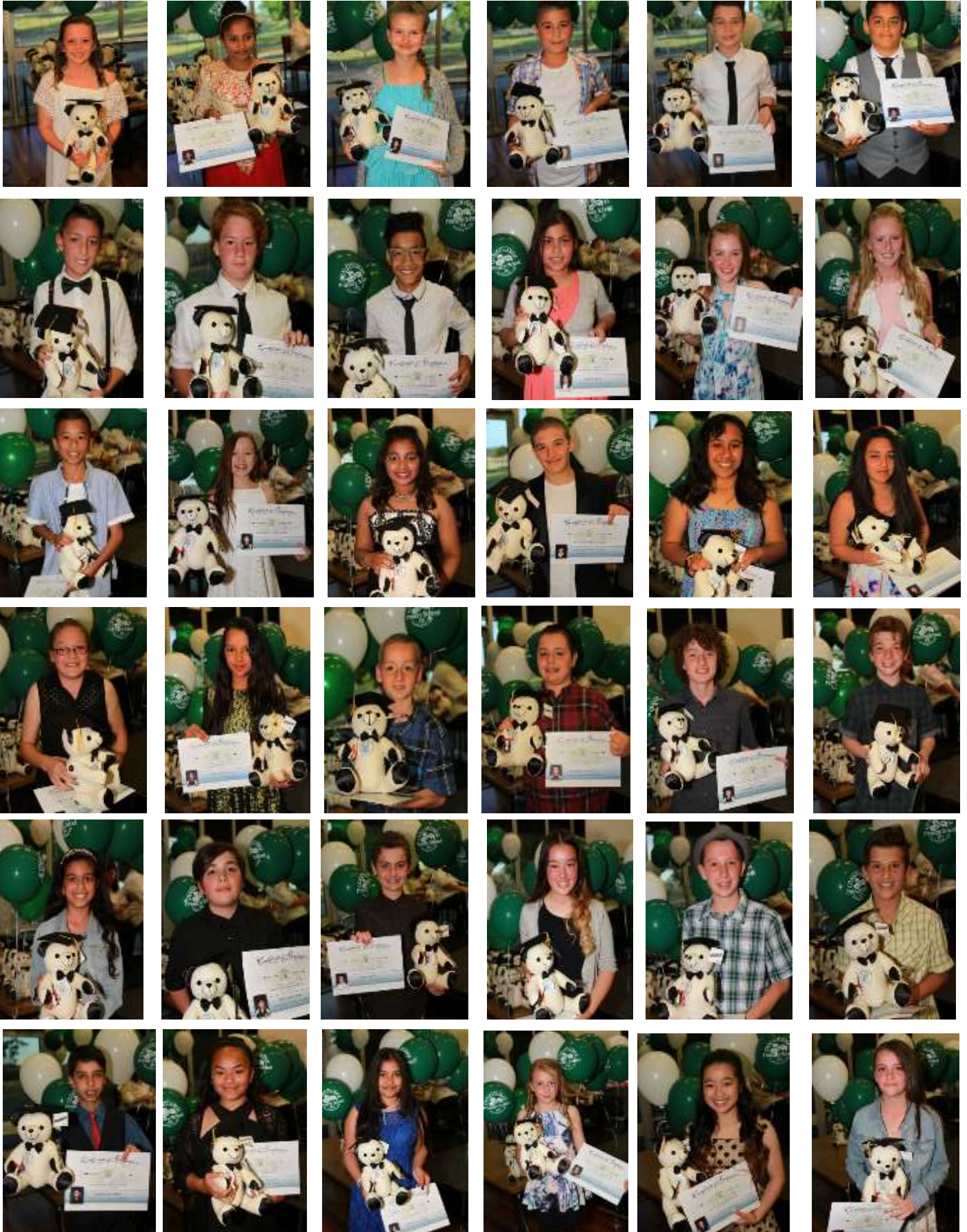


Growing a Supportive Community of Active Learners



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Year 6 Graduation

On Thursday evening our Year 6 students, their families and teachers celebrated 7 years of schooling for the graduating class of 2016.

The graduates did an outstanding job of preparing and presenting their individual graduation speeches and sharing their thoughts about their primary school experiences.

Our School Council President, Mr Paul Newton, presented each student with their Graduation certificate and Angie Boustead, Parent Club President, presented each student with a graduation bear, which was generously provided by our Parent Club.

During the ceremony, I had the great pleasure of presenting the 2016 Academic Excellence awards to the following students:

Mathematics Award:	Maleisha Fernando
English Award:	Marko Kovak
Humanities Award:	Ella Ryan
Performing Arts Award:	Ryan McAlpine
ICT Award:	Cherie Hann
Physical Education Award:	Campbell Newton
Visual Arts Award:	Caitlyn Elliott
School Spirit Award:	Diyana Nagahawatta
Dux Award:	Priyanka Suja Rani

The names of these students will be inscribed on the Academic Excellence plaques proudly displayed in the front office.

The evening was capped off with the students enjoying a disco in the hall.

Many thanks to Ms Ablitt, Ms Proven, Mrs Clark and Ms Warburton for their excellent work with the Year 6 students throughout the year and for organising such a memorable graduation evening.

Congratulations to each of our graduates for their personal efforts and achievements. Your Chalcot family is **VERY PROUD** of each of you, and we wish you every happiness and success for the future; you'll always be a part of the Chalcot family!

Farewell to Mr Napier

It is with great sadness that we farewell Mr Napier as he takes up a new position as Acting Assistant Principal at Spring Valley Primary School next year for Terms 1 and 2. Thank you Mr Napier for your commitment and dedication to Chalcot Lodge PS, you have truly made a positive and lasting impact on our students and the school. We wish you every success at your new school next semester and congratulations on your new position.

Farewell to Paul Newton – School Council President

Paul Newton has been a School Council Member for 13 years, six years as School Council President. Chalcot Lodge PS sincerely thanks Paul for his commitment to the school and support over these years.

Student Reports

On Thursday, all students received their December Reports for 2016. Included in the report envelope was information regarding your child's class placement for 2017.

Receiving reports is a very exciting time for children. It's a time for celebrating all their hard work and success throughout the year. It is important for parents to read the reports with their children and talk about their achievements and areas for improvement that school and home need to focus on in 2017.

City of Casey Council 2016 Community Spirit and Leadership Awards

Congratulations to Maleisha Fernando who received the City of Casey Spirit and Leadership Award on Monday night.

The Community and Leadership Spirit award acknowledges students who contribute actively to their school, local or global community.

Maleisha received her Award for demonstrating wonderful school and community spirit and leadership. She volunteers with her mum at the Period Project, packing boxes and organising items to be delivered to women in need. The Period Project provides care, support and sanitary products for homeless women. Maleisha also makes sandwiches for a local club and supports many other charities.

Maleisha is not only a fantastic asset to her local community but also to her school community. Maleisha has been involved in many activities such as Dance Crew, Production, District Athletics and State Multicultural Football Competition. This year, Maleisha was voted by her peers as Acacia vice House Captain and has proven to be an outstanding role model to other students. Maleisha has taken on all her responsibilities with enthusiasm and upholds the school's values and spirit with pride.

We are very proud of you Maleisha!!



How you can help in the Fight to Prevent Vandalism

If you are concerned about people on our school property, particularly over the school holidays, I would urge you to phone Emergency Management on 9589 6266 or the Endeavour Hills Police on 9709 7666.

2017 Here We Come!

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

On behalf of the staff at Chalcot Lodge, I wish all our families a very happy and safe holiday. I look forward to meeting up with the Chalcot family next year. Sincere thanks to everyone for making Chalcot Lodge a wonderful school.

Monica Ghirxi
Principal



DIARY DATES

Monday	19th	December	Term 4 Ends	2.30pm finish
Tuesday	20 th	December	Curriculum Day	Student Free Day
Tuesday	31 st	January	Commencement Term 1	(Years 1-6 Only) 9.00am Start
Thursday	2 nd	February	Preps Commence	9:15am – 12:30pm
Friday	3 rd	February	Preps Commence Full Day	9.00am – 3.30pm

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.



Concert under the Oaks



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.

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.

XMAS 2016 & NEW YEAR 2017 HOLIDAYS TRADING HOURS

DECEMBER 2016						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
11 th CLOSED	12 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	13 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	14 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	15 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	16 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	17 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS
18 th CLOSED	19 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	20 th Last day of Term NORMAL TRADING HOURS	21 st NORMAL TRADING HOURS	22 nd NORMAL TRADING HOURS	23 rd Last day of Trade 2016 NORMAL TRADING HOURS	24 th CLOSED
25 th CHRISTMAS DAY CLOSED	26 th BOXING DAY CLOSED	27 th CHRISTMAS PUBLIC HOLIDAY CLOSED	28 th CLOSED	29 th CLOSED	30 th CLOSED	31 st CLOSED
JANUARY 2017						
1 st NEW YEAR'S DAY CLOSED	2 nd NEW YEAR'S PUBLIC HOLIDAY CLOSED	3 rd REUNE NORMAL TRADING HOURS	4 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	5 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	6 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	7 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS
8 th CLOSED	9 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	10 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	11 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	12 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	13 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS	14 th NORMAL TRADING HOURS

BELEZA HALLAM

SCHOOL BANKING

THANK YOU: A huge thank you to all of the families who participated in School Banking this year! Congratulations on teaching your child how to save, and for helping our school raise money - 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). A massive thank you must go to Jill Robertson and Casey Suhr for their valuable and essential assistance with School Banking this year!

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!

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 eForm at 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 or by visiting a Commonwealth Bank branch. We do not keep application forms at the school office anymore.

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.

I would like to wish everyone a happy Christmas and a safe and enjoyable holidays. See you next year!

Ingrid Williams
School Banking Coordinator