

# CHALCOT WEEKLY

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*Growing a Supportive Community of Active Learners*



## DISCO FUN



## ***FROM THE PRINCIPAL***

### **Chalcot Lodge Uniform**

The absolutely great thing about school uniforms is that they make everyone feel like they belong; they're economical, easy to wash and wear, eliminate competition about who is the trendiest, and nurture a sense of school pride. The annoying thing about school uniform is that it is difficult to discern the owner of items, unless they are clearly labelled with the name and class of the student. Whilst it is true that uniform is economical in terms of their cost and the amount of daily use they get, it becomes a very annoying, expensive and inconvenient matter when they are lost.

On some occasions, students inadvertently pick up someone else's jumper or hat and the owner's parents are faced with needing to buy another one. With the holidays coming along, this is a great opportunity for you to check that your child does have their own uniform and please label all garments, particularly those which children take off during the school day.

### **School Hats**

Just a reminder, that beginning next term, 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.

### **Prep to Year 2 Swimming Program – Begins Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October**

If your child is participating in the Swimming Program next term, please note that for safety reasons, all students must wear a swimming cap when swimming at North Lodge. Students must bring their own swimming cap from home.

If your child is an asthmatic, please ensure that their medication is taken to the pool with them. If your child is anaphylactic, ensure that two EpiPens are taken to swimming each day. It is the parent's responsibility to provide an extra EpiPen to be taken with the child to swimming. Anaphylactic students who do not have two EpiPens will not be permitted to attend.

### **Year 3/4 Gleneagles Cup**

As part of the Year 3/4 Sport Program, students will be visiting Gleneagles Secondary College and participating in the "Gleneagles Cup" on Monday 15th October. During this term, Year 3/4 students participated in sport sessions in either Basketball, Netball, Soccer or Volleyball in preparation for this event. During the Gleneagles Cup, students will participate in a round robin competition against other local primary schools in the sport for which they have been trained.

### **School Related Incidences**

We all know that when children get together, there are times when things happen and someone gets upset or hurt. Often these are accidental but sometimes, anger gets in the way, causing angry words and actions. Our aim in dealing with all incidents is to help our students think about how the problem has happened, the consequences of their actions and whether the problem could have been handled in a different way.

If your child tells you about an incident that has happened at school, you need to contact your child's teacher to make a time to discuss and solve the problem. It is not appropriate for parents or children to approach other parents or children to solve the problem.

### **Events & Compass Pay**

We are ready to roll out more features of Compass. Events and CompassPay are now live! You will receive a notification on your home screen when there is an event (excursion, in visit, camp) that requires your approval or payment. To provide consent / payment, simply click on the notification, which will take you to the Events page. Here you will see all events that require consent / payment, and those that you have already consented / paid, for all children in your family.

You will have the option of completing the consent / payment online (via CompassPay), or by printing the consent form and handing it to the office with payment.

By clicking the “Process Now (online)” option, you will be prompted to enter information regarding emergency contact details as well as any relevant medical information.

### **2019 Term Dates**

The first day of Term 1, *Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2019 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.

The second day of the school year, *Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019 is also a student free day*, a designated, School Council approved Curriculum Day. During this day, Teachers and Educational Support Officers will begin preparing for the 2019 School Review process and subsequent 2020 to 2024 Strategic Plan. Therefore, School will commence on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2019.

### **2019 Term Dates**

TERM 1	Thursday	31 <sup>st</sup> January	-	Friday	5 <sup>th</sup> April
TERM 2	Monday	23 <sup>rd</sup> April	-	Friday	28 <sup>th</sup> June
TERM 3	Monday	15 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Friday	20 <sup>th</sup> September
TERM 4	Monday	7 <sup>th</sup> October	-	Friday	20 <sup>th</sup> December

- \* Teachers will commence duty on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January.
- \* The first two days of the school year, Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January will be Curriculum Days and consequently students are not to attend on these days.
- \* Students in Years 1 – 6 will commence on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January.
- \* Prep students will have a staggered commencement on either Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> or Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February. This will be a 75min introduction to their Prep classroom for both students and parents. (parents will be notified of their child’s introduction day).
- \* Preps will attend school half day on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February and then start full days on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February.
- \* Prep students do not attend on Wednesdays during February, unless by appointment for assessment.

### **Happy Holidays**

I wish everyone a safe, happy and restful break. I look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October for another exciting term.

Monica Ghirxi  
**Principal**

### **PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE**

Congratulations to all students who completed the Premier's Reading Challenge! The challenge has now closed. All students who completed the challenge will be receiving certificates early next Term during junior and senior assembly.

I am very proud of all of the students who read so many excellent books! Thank you to all parents and guardians who assisted in the challenge.

Ally Keay  
Literacy Coordinator



# DIARY DATES



<b>Friday</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>September</b>	<b>Last Day Term 3</b>	<b>2.30pm Dismissal</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>October</b>	<b>Commencement Term 4</b>	<b>9.00am start all students</b>
Monday	15 <sup>th</sup>	October	Yr 3/4 Gleneagles Cup	Gleneagles Secondary College
Monday	15 <sup>th</sup>	October	Parent Club Meeting	6.30pm - Staffroom
Monday	15 <sup>th</sup>	October	P-Yr 2 Swimming Commences	Mon, Tues, Thurs Frid
Tuesday	16 <sup>th</sup>	October	Annual Choir Concert Night	6.30pm – School Hall
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	October	Little Frogs Playgroup	9.15am – 10.45am
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup>	October	Junior Assembly	2.45pm – School Hall
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup>	October	Regional Athletics	TBA Selected Students
Friday	19 <sup>th</sup>	October	Senior Assembly	2.45pm – School Hall
Monday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	October	P-Yr2 Swimming	Mon, Tues, Thurs Frid
Monday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	October	Dental Van	
Tuesday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	October	Dental Van	
Thursday	25 <sup>th</sup>	October	School Council Meeting	6.00pm – Staffroom
Saturday	27 <sup>th</sup>	October	Parent Club BBQ Bunnings	TBA
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup>	October	Junior Assembly	2.45pm – School Hall
Wednesday	31 <sup>st</sup>	October	Yr 5/6 AFL Gala Day Excursion	TBA
Friday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	November	Senior Assembly	2.45pm

### **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: \$ 20.00.  
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 \$20, Casual \$25.

For program information, bookings or cancellations, please contact Kristy 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.

**Important Dates** 12/10/18 School Banking resumes after the school holidays.

**School Banking Co-ordinator Needed:** If there are any parents who are interested in volunteering their time to process School Banking, please come and join us on a Friday morning from 9 am. It usually takes around 1½ hours. Please ask at the school office for directions to our work room.

**Major Competition:** Today was the last day for reaching 15 deposits to be in the draw to win a **family trip to Hawaii** with spending money! Good luck!!

**Rewards News:** Rewards can be ordered as soon as your child has 10 tokens. **NEW REWARDS AVAILABLE WHILE STOCKS LAST:** Mighty Boom Handball, Heat Reactor Pencils, Glow Light, Sparkle Glitter Pens, & Twister Power Handball – use the order slips provided in the 'For Parents' leaflet, or you can download and print order slips at <https://www.commbank.com.au/personal/kids/school-banking.html>. **OLDER REWARDS STILL AVAILABLE:** Colour Change Markers, Deep Sea Savers Money Box (1 left), Epic Earphones, Outer Space Savers Money Box (1 left), Pencil + Tech Case, Smiley Emoji Keyring, Tablet Case & Volt Handball - use the separate slip (on white paper) which has been distributed. Let us know if you need replacement order slips, for either the new or older items. **REWARDS NO LONGER AVAILABLE:** 3D Chalk Set, Secret Scratch Pad & Outback Pat Bag Tag.

**New Accounts:** If you would like your child to participate in our School Banking program please follow the links to open an account 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. If you've signed your child up online, and their book hasn't arrived yet, we can still get them going if you have been given the account number by the bank. Just ask the school office for directions as soon after 9 am as possible on a Friday morning, or leave a message at the school office.

Ingrid Williams  
School Banking Coordinator