



Chewton
Primary School 1054



Resilience – Respect – Community – Integrity - Achievement

Newsletter Friday March 17th 2017

Hello everyone,

It is always pleasing to get such positive comments from staff when they return from interschool events. Once again, our school showed that we have students that are respectful and supportive of others. I was also pleased that parents were very proactive in ensuring their children attended this event. We are not all-star runners however; we can all participate at some level and be part of a team. Some children that were negative starters ended up being very proud of their results.

This is the year of our school review. The review process occurs every 4 years. Next week will be the first of our meetings where staff and our school council president will evaluate our performance using a variety of documents including our current Strategic Plan, Annual Implementation Plan and performance reports. This meeting is open to any interested parents and will take place in the meeting room at the back of the school from **9:00am-11:00am** next Friday. Classes will not be effected.

Just a couple of reminders re photographing of students. When taking photos at sporting events or other school activities, be careful not to share photos on any form of social media that include other children from either our school or from other schools. This includes platforms such as Face Book or Snap Chat. It is fine to have these for your personal records and to keep within our school community but they are not to be posted further. Remember parents do tick a photo permission form for our school newsletter, website and the Chat. If you would like to withdraw this permission, please contact Sally or I so we can record this on your child's file. For more information, you can view our 'Photograph and Filming Policy' on the school web site.

Julie

Calendar

- Tues: 21st:** Renee and Scott's class have a visit to some historical sites
Thurs 23rd: **Our State Festival Day**
Friday 24th: School review preliminary meeting 9-11
Mon 27th: Open classes
Headlice training: 2:15
Wed 29th: Community Walk : Meet at our car park at 10am. The grade 4's will be on this walk
Working Bee from 8:30
Friday 31st: Final day. 2:30 finish
Join us for some bush dancing
Out of uniform: A walk in the goldfields
Term 2: April
Tues 18th: Welcome back
Tues 25th: ANZAC DAY. public holiday
Wed 26th: Annual report to the School Community.
Thurs 20th: Grounds and Building
Thurs 27th: Grip Leadership Grade 6 School Council
May
Tues 16th: Orienteering 5-6
Wed 17th: Orienteering 3-4
Frid 19th: Athletics Cluster p-6
June
Frid 2nd : P-2 Tabloid



Kindness award:

This term we have a focus on being the kindest person that you can be. There have been so many excellent examples of this.

p-1: Arkie who is a good friend to many

1-2-3: Ceridwen for asking a lonely friend to play

3-4: Lee for checking that someone was OK when they got hurt

4-5-6: Martika because she is a very good friend (Nominated by Freya)

Thanks to:

Rob: For taking photos on cross-country day. (I will upload these to the website this week)

Karyn : For finishing the wicking beds and also for being one of our new art room helpers

All Parents: Who cheered our runners along on Wednesday

School Council Update:

The AGM will be held tonight at 6:15(sorry, bit later than first advertised) . All families are welcome to attend. We still have a parent position on School Council. This would be a casual position as nominations have already closed however; we would welcome you to join us.

The school's Annual Report to the School Community will be held next term with a meet and greet time of our new council members where you will be welcome and encouraged to ask questions re our programs or finances. (Time and date to be confirmed)

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Library: Open Monday mornings and from 2pm on Friday. Mobile library every Thursday

Be a head lice checker

Many years ago, we started a parent head lice-checking program. Parents are trained by our school nurse and must sign a confidentiality statement as well as hold a current working with children's check. If you would like to help out in this role or you would just like to learn a few tricks for checking and treating your own hair, then come along to the 'Library' at 2:15 on Monday the 27th March and learn from an expert.

Raffle Winners: Breakfast Lunch and Dinner : Charley Muscat Playtime : Michelle O'Brien Cuppa Time Naomi Raftery

Thanks to our sponsors: Chewton General Store. Castlemaine State Festival. Chewton Swimming Pool. IGA Castlemaine

Bakers Delight for support with the BBQ

Parent payments:

These are now due. Please pick up a parent payment form and policy from the front desk. Please see Sally or I if you have any concerns re payments or would like to seek assistance with uniform items.

Breakfast Club:

NEXT WEEKS HELPERS: MONDAY: GRACE T THURSDAY: RACHAEL BOOKER

FINAL WEEK HELPERS: MONDAY: BRONWYN THURSDAY: TAMZIN

Please let me know if you can help next term.

Notices that need returning

- Castlemaine state festival: Whole school
- Historical sites: Scott and Renee's Class

Student Leaders:

- The student welfare group have organised today's ' Sleep Day Event'
- Some of our sustainability team have been learning how to replace a washer so that our taps no longer leak



Lee and Connor have been learning how to replace a worn tap washer as part of our water Audit.

Eggs for the art room

As an end of term Easter activity in the art room, I am hoping to do some egg dyeing with the students. This means I am in need of heaps of eggs that have had the yolk blown from them. This is not necessarily the loveliest of jobs but I would appreciate any help with this.

Last year I blew 70 eggs on my own 🤪 so that the grade 4/5/6 class could do this activity but our school is bigger this year and I would love to do this with some of the younger students too if I get enough eggs.

I will put a box on the shelf next to the art books inside the art room so you can leave any blown eggs there!

Thanks!! Kate

Maker Space starts next term: Last hour on a Thursday. Please see a staff member if you think you can help. P-6: Design and technology focus

Cross Country

Results:

Nathan 1st 12 and over Boys

Erlin 3rd 12 and over Girls

Daniel 3rd 8-9 year old Boys

Also..... our two school captains did a great job at helping all our students across the line and showed why they were voted school captain as they lead by example today. All of our students were extremely supportive and I am so proud of all the students who came, participated and represented Chewton so well!!!! (Thanks Emma for that report and for being our key coordinator for this event)



**Working Bee: The last Wednesday of term. 29th March. Jobs: Prepare the fence garden bed for planting
Lay the rocks for that bed. General tidy up of the yard.**

Final Timetable

2017 Castlemaine Festival Primary Schools Program

9.45am - All schools arrive at Goods Shed – Kennedy St Castlemaine

10 – 11.10am - Theatre

Nicole & Martin performance for all students and teachers

(supervising adult's attendance will be dependent on daily capacity – not guaranteed)

11.10 – 11.30 - Recess break/toilets

All students remain at Goods Shed and have recess outside of building

11.30 – 11.50 - Students walk to venues – Market Building and Castlemaine Art Museum

Group 1: **Years Prep to 3 walk to Market building** (leave first). Walk via Castlemaine Art Museum to view Leeroy News Installation

Group 2: **Years 4 to 6 walk to Castlemaine Art Museum**

11.50am – 1.30 pm - Visual Arts

Group 1: **Market Building** (inside and outside on grass area)

Activities - View Balnhdhurr exhibition, artist talk, participate in practical art workshops

Group 2: **Castlemaine Art Museum**

Activities – View installation artwork on outside of Castlemaine Art Museum, Leeroy New artist talk, participate in art workshop.

1.30 – 1.40 - Group 1 - Collect bags and move from Market Building to Victory Park

Group 2 - Walk from Castlemaine Art Museum to Victory Park

1.40 – 2.15pm - Lunch Victory Park

Everyone will gather in Victory Park for lunch. There will be a few short research activities for students to gather feedback about Festival experience.

2 – 2.15 pm optional activity for group 2 (Students year 4 to 6)

Students with a teacher can visit Market Building and view Balnhdhurr printmaking exhibition

2.15/2.30pm - Festival concludes

All bus pick- ups at Victory Park – bus stop Mostyn Street

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- bird and nature walk with Tanya Loos



Bring all the family to learn more about nature and local Aboriginal culture.



Where:

Leanganook Camp Ground,
Joseph Young Drive
Mount Alexander Regional Park

When:

9.30am Saturday 1st — 10am Sunday 2nd April

Bookings:

<https://www.trybooking.com/249438>

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