



Chewton
Primary School 1054



Community-Inclusion-Curiosity- Integrity

Newsletter Friday Nov 10th 2017

Hello all,

This shortened week will end with the highlight of our very first student run market. There have been lots of parents who have offered to help and are working with the student organisers. My lack of photos for this newsletter will be rectified next week.

The Farmers Market is fast approaching. This is a fundraiser for next year's bike camp. So far I have just 2 helpers. Please let me know if you can give an hour on the day.

Last week Emma and I attended 'Respectful Relationship' training. There seems to be some confusion re this program. Respectful Relationships is a compulsory element of the Victorian Curriculum. Evidence presented to the Royal Commission into Family Violence was clear that school-based prevention is effective to reduce the incidence of family violence. It is **not about** questioning student's gender.

A few weeks ago I added a link to one of the clips that are part of our training. Please take the time to view this 2nd link. It speaks for itself.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XjJQBjWYDTs> or search.. Like a Girl.

Next year we will have a family session that will be facilitated by the team that have been supporting our training.

We continue to encourage curiosity as one of our school values. Last week Scott attended a professional development session on embedding critical and creative thinking in all areas of the curriculum. In the end of year report your child will be assessed on this skill.

Julie

Calendar

Wed 15th Nov: Some students T20 cricket

Friday 17th Nov: Whole school cluster excursion

Wed 29th Nov: Planning meeting BBQ

Dec

Sun 3rd: Farmers Market. Helpers will be required

Mon 4th Curriculum Day No Students

Frid 8th: Reports to go home

11-13th: Parent Teacher Interviews

Tues 19th: P-2 cycle at botanical gardens

Wed 20th: 3-6 cycle Maldon train line

Thur 21st: Swimming Family Picnic. Awards. Whole School Sleep Over

Frid 22nd: Last day 12:00pm dismissal



Artist Market tomorrow night: Helpers still needed in $\frac{1}{2}$ hour time slots for the BBQ and some helper with the games would be great. Please see the attached timetable for more details

My personal best:

This term we have a focus on curiosity as one of our new school values:

Curiosity

- Questioning ideas, beliefs
- Challenging old thoughts
- Wondering why/how?
- Developing new interests

P-1: Olivia P for being curious about words and reading

1-2-3: Flynn for coming up with creative ways to solve maths problems

3-4: Alicia for wondering what is going to happen next during her reading and for her extra effort in making predictions about texts

4-5-6 Nathan for developing new interests and excellent work ethic during our Inquiry Unit

Thanks to:

Rob: For his extra huge, amazing, fantastic efforts in having our yard looking great for Fridays fair

Sally H: For helping with the nit checks in the p-1 room and offering to do the rose garden

Tamsin and Brownyn: For weeding the succulent garden.

HELP NEEDED:

The children loved the playing table tennis. The table is old but we are a 'use and again or fix it school' so rather than turfing the old and getting a new one I would love someone to do a bit of a repair job.

URGENT

Breakfast Club: Please sign up for this term. Roster in the staff room.

Thanks To: Rachael and Tamsin

Next week: (sorry, I am sending this from home and forgot to look)

Time to have your say: I moved the hard copy to the passage way hoping to get some more ideas

Work is well underway for 2018 planning. Next year we have a 3-6 bike ride and we will enter the show procession following our whole school production in term 3. Maker hour is back on the planner and staff are finalising plans for units of work in inquiry.

For the next 3 weeks you can add your thoughts to our annual brainstorm board in the library or add them to the following link. Every year we take as many ideas as we can from family input to build on our current thinking or create new opportunities.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeA6EQVh447Oa0r1ptjb5tJDUJQ8DkBEyAVK2KMdXgvVZ5Zvg/viewform?c=0&w=1>

NOTICES TO BE RETURNED PLEASE:

- T20 Cricket. Our grade 5-6 team
- Early Action Program Survey: All families p-2 (To be posted via stamped addressed envelope)

UNIFORMS FOR SALE

- We have a number of uniform items for sale at reduced prices.
- All items are new and of good quality.
- These items are a combination of either old stock, odd sizes, old brands etc.
- Come and have a look if any of the items below interest you.

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| • 1 X Maroon School Bag | \$15.00 |
| • 1 X Skorts – Maroon - Size 5 | \$10.00 |
| • 1 X Rugby Shorts - Maroon – Size 4 | \$7.00 |
| • 1 X Skort – Maroon - Size 16 | \$10.00 |
| • 1 X Rugby Shorts - Maroon - Size 10 | \$7.00 |
| • 1 X Short Sleeve Polo – Gold – NO logo | \$8.00 |
| • 1 X Box Pleat Skort – Size 6 – Maroon | \$10.00 |
| • 1 X Gaberdine Shorts – Size 10 – Maroon | \$7.00 |
| • 1 X Tracksuit Pants – Size 8 – Maroon | \$15.00 |

Please note: Uniforms can only be purchased on days when Sally is in the office. You can collect an order form and Sally will give the order to your child when it arrives. Please do not ask other staff to get uniforms for you and certainly do not help yourself. Sally's hours : Monday and Thursday 9-5 Tuesday 10-2:30

ASSESSMENT: Writing Moderation

Some skills in writing include spelling, grammar, paragraphing, writing for a purpose and organising ideas. For younger students it is knowing that letters come together to form words. Teachers keep and date writing samples for all children during the year. To help make an accurate judgement about a student's writing teachers work together to talk about strengths and areas for improvement. Working with other teachers allows us to make more consistent judgements.

The Victorian Curriculum sets criteria for what we expect children to be able to write at each grade level. A score is given to the writing sample collected as one way of measuring progress.

Headlice Checks:

Prep- 1 class was re checked this week. Please continue to keep a look out for re infestations.

Prep Transition Dates for 2017-2018 start:

Tuesday 21st Nov: 9:00-10:30

Tuesday 28th Nov: 2:00-3:30

Tuesday 5th Dec: 9:00-11:30

Tuesday 12th Dec: 1:00-3:30

(Bring a teddy and lunch for our final day)

Preps do not attend school on Wed for all of Feb

Planning a holiday next year? Please consider our school term dates to avoid major learning disruptions.

2018

Term 1: TUES 30th Jan to 29th March: Preps have Wed the 31st at home

Term 2: 16th April to 29th June

Term 3: 16th July to 21st Sep

Term 4: 8th Oct to 21st Dec

Personal Development:

This week in Personal Development we are starting to talk about Bushfire safety.

It could be a good time to discuss appropriate parts of the family bushfire plan with children.

Thanks Emma



Sadly this pencil case was stolen from a classroom during lunch break on Friday. Can parents please do a home search in case a **mistake** has been made? Classroom will now be locked at recess and lunch as sadly this is the 2nd incident in the past week.

Get to know your local weeds

WORKSHOP

WEDNESDAY 15th NOVEMBER 2017, 6pm-8:30pm

CHEWTON COMMUNITY CENTRE, 201 Main Road/Pyrenees Highway, Chewton

- Learn how to recognise and identify local noxious weed species that occur in Chewton and surrounding areas through a presentation and fun games
- Meet friendly members of your local Landcare groups
- Share a delicious provided supper
- Bring in photos or samples (in ziplock bags) of weeds or other plants for help with identification
- For more info, please contact Asha at Connecting Country on 5472 1594 or at asha@connectingcountry.org.au

RSVP to asha@connectingcountry.org.au by Friday 10th November for catering purposes

- CONNECTING COUNTRY
- CASTLEMAINE LANDCARE GROUP
- CHEWTON LANDCARE GROUP
- ELPHINSTONE LAND MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

- GOLDEN POINT LANDCARE GROUP
- METCALFE LANDCARE GROUP
- POST OFFICE HILL ACTION GROUP
- TARADALE LANDCARE GROUP
- VICTORIA GULLY GROUP



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