Welcome back to the new term. I extend a special welcome to the students and their families who have joined the Chisholm school community this term. Term 4 traditionally contains important events that round off the academic year for students. In addition to school camps, excursions and maintaining ongoing learning and assessment programs, we formally farewell our Year 10 students at the Graduation and Formal ceremonies; mark and acknowledge the academic achievements of Years 6 to 10 students at Presentation Night, Preschool and Year 5 students’ transitions with a graduation ceremony and celebration, and issue comprehensive student reports at the end of the term. It’s a busy term!

Staffing

We welcome to the wonderful Caroline Chisholm team the following staff who have taken up positions for this term:
- Alinta Turner - SLSU
- Claire Sturgess – 3/4R
- Andrea Irving - teaching classes across the junior campus
- Michael Daly – Drama and English for Ms Henneberger
- Paige Wilson – SOSE for Mr Sengstock commencing week 4.

Student Highlights

“21st century student outcomes” are the skills, knowledge and expertise students should master to succeed in work and life in the 21st century.

Every 21st century skills implementation requires the development of core academic subject knowledge and understanding among all students. Within the context of core knowledge instruction, students must also learn the essential skills for success in today’s world, such as critical thinking, problem solving, communication and collaboration.

When a school builds on this foundation, students are more engaged in the learning process and graduate better prepared to thrive in today’s global economy.

At Caroline Chisholm School we utilise our progressive awards system to recognise student endeavour as members of both the school and broader communities. Students are recognised for their achievement in the Academics, Citizenship and Participation domains.

I congratulate the following students on their outstanding achievements:

Annie Nogaliza in year 3 has reached the state level competition in gymnastics.
Carlton van der Plaat in year 5 played in the PSSA Tuggeranong Under 12 Hockey team and they came first place.

### Academic Gold Award:
- Amber Palmer
- Stephanie McGuire
- Paige Edwards
- Keeley Folkes
- Brooke Harder

### Citizenship Gold Award:
- Eddison Roberts
- Jade Harlovich
- Keira Baker
- Jayde Fromholtz
- Sonya Lynch
- Dion Phoumthipphavong

### Participation Gold Award:
- Ruby Alexander

School Website

I encourage you to have a look at our new school website. The new design further enhances user accessibility, provides a consistent template across the ACT public school system that adapts to many different platforms – PC – Tablet – iPhone and is bright with up to date photos.

Voluntary Contributions - Thankyou

The finance committee comprising myself, the Business Manager, Board Chair, a student representative, Deputies Sally Alexander and Kris Willis are meeting Heads of Department from the Senior Campus and Executive from the Junior Campus to plan the budget for 2015. This is a timely opportunity to acknowledge and thank the many Preschool, Junior and Senior Campus parents who have contributed financially to our school this year. Your support enables the school to increase capacity to deliver richer and diverse curriculum options to students. Our collective aim is to ignite in our students a passion for learning.

Wendy Wurfel
Welcome back to term 4, a great term in which we finalise assessment for the year and celebrate the success that so many members of our community have achieved. We have many major events this term with Big Night Out, Presentation Night, Year 10 Graduation and Formal as well as a variety of camps. Thanks in advance to all of the staff, students and parents who make these events such positive experiences for our students.

Year 10 camp finished on the first Saturday of the holidays last term and was a great experience for those who participated. The students experienced Sydney sights and public transport, sometimes for the first time. A huge thanks to the teachers who gave up the beginning of their holidays to allow the students to have this great experience.

Please ensure that if you notice your child struggling with their work that you contact the school so that we can continue to support their learning. We have a number of options available for support and we are all very keen to get the best out of every student.

Kris Willis

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Year 6 News

Year 6 Excursion to the Museum of Australian Democracy at Old Parliament House!

On Wednesday 24th September, Year 6 were lucky enough to journey to Old Parliament House in Parkes. We had spent the term studying Australia’s Federation and were keen to know more about Australia’s democratic system. We participated in the ‘Who’s the Boss?’ program where we got to visit different rooms in the House and learn more about how our government works. We also saw the Aboriginal Tent Embassy and observed the Parliamentary Triangle. Some of us even got to dress up as past Governor Generals!

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CHESS

There will be no chess this term.

Chess will recommence in 2015.

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Uniform Shop

Your P&C need your help!
If you are interested in working in the Uniform Shop please contact Julie Crimmins, P&C President on 0403214202.
MIDDLE YEARS

Term 4 already, and the weeks are starting to fly by...

Our Middle Years students are in their last few weeks as Year 6, Year 7 and Year 8. All of them should be working hard towards completing their assessment tasks, to a high standard, with the aim of achieving a grade that best reflects their efforts, application and aptitude. It is important that students remain focused on all aspects of their education and commitment to learning. This includes maintaining the correct school uniform right until the end of the year and complying with Middle Years Respect for Learning (R4L) guidelines.

Assessment Alert
Many parents are accessing the Assessment Alert App, which is helping both parents and students to put in place a plan of attack regarding the submission of assignments and preparation for tests. The submission of assignments is a course requirement for all subjects. Assignments form a significant part of every students’ overall assessment and the non-submission of these will adversely affect grades.

School Diaries
The 2015 CCS School Diaries will be available from Week 8 at the end of this year at a cost of $15. (What an excellent Christmas gift idea!) They will also be available at the start of next year until sold out. Unlike generic yearly diaries, this official school diary is filled with lots of school-specific information and is regularly used as a means of communication with parents. Students are able to write in their school timetable and keep a track of important dates for things like tests and assignments; swimming, cross-country and athletics carnivals; excursions and camps; extra-curricular excursion and activities; etc...

End of Year Camps
Year 6: We are trying to finalise numbers for the Year 6 Camp to be held in Week 9 (Thursday 11th December to Friday 12th December) at Birrigai Education Centre. If your child is still interested in taking advantage of this wonderful opportunity to celebrate the completion of their primary school years, please contact Poppy Gorton as soon as possible.

Year 7/8: In Week 10 (Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the 15th to 18th of December), Year Seven and Eight students will be going to Jindabyne to the Action Learning Initiatives (ALI) facility located at the Bungarra Alpine Centre. Parents have already received information about the camp and an equipment list. There are still a few places left but students will need to be quick to ensure they don’t miss out!

Have a great Term 4,

Shannon Cameron, Terrie McHardie and Phil Perkins (Middle Years Executive Teachers)
Homework Club - Mondays 3-4pm

Homework Club happens every Monday afternoon in the Library; please encourage your student to use this opportunity when they have homework or assessment items due.

Senior Years Sydney Trip

The 2014 Senior Years Sydney trip was an amazing experience for all of us. The trip was organised by a group of students and teachers: Mrs McGlashan, Miss Radulovich, Mr Sengstock, Livinia, Dorothy and Daisy. We stayed there for 4 days and 3 nights.

On our way to Sydney we had the funniest driver. He teased the boys for singing out loud. He made the trip so much fun. We stopped at McDonalds at Exeter for a 30 minute break before we took off again.

At our accommodation, we had amazing facilities like a pool on the top floor, cinema, game room, lounge room and a TV room where the boys played Xbox at night which was brought by Daniel.

We used Sydney public transport such as: ferries, trains and buses and we also did a lot of walking to get to our daily destinations.

Our fun activities included: Luna Park, Taronga Zoo, Aquarium, IMAX which was amazing because it was the first time for most of us. We also visited Manly Beach and the famous Bondi Beach. Some of the Year 10 boys spotted the life guards from the TV show Bondi Rescue. We also visited Darling Harbour and China Town for dinner. A BBQ was held at the hostel on the final night and Mr Sengstock, Dorothy, Connor, Kira, Sarah, Takara and I cooked the BBQ in the hostel’s kitchen and some of the girls prepared the tables for everyone.

Overall the trip was amazing and thanks to everyone who came.

By Ruvimbo Daisy Matsika

Year 9
Michael Medveczky - Year 9 Coordinator
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Year 10
Final School Day
The final day for Year 10 students will be Wednesday 3rd December (Week 8).

Formal & Graduation
Just a reminder that the Graduation and Formal will be on Monday 8th December (Week 9) at the Southern Cross Club in Woden. The final payment for the Formal was Friday 24th October (Week 2). Please contact Beth Skinner in the Front Office if there are any issues with payments.

As always, again concerns or questions please don’t hesitate to contact us. Chelsea McGlashan and Tatjana Radulovich
Year 10 Coordinators
Chelsea.mcglashan@ed.act.edu.au and Tatjana.radulovich@ed.act.edu.au
On the first day, I went to Better Trailers at Fyshwick to do work experience. I met the boss, Scott, and he wanted to know if I had all the equipment I needed (such as proper clothes and shoes). I did, so he took me to the back of the workshop to get me started. Then I met Rob who does all the welding to make trailers and then I met Dave who does the spray painting and the wiring for the trailers. Then I got to do some work and they asked me to do the callipers by greasing them and then putting them on the axel. Then I got to pop rivet a piece of diamond sheet to Scott’s trailers. It was a lot of fun. Then it was lunchtime and Dave and I went to get lunch for Scott and Rob. When we got back, we ate outside as it was a nice day. When we finished our lunch, we went back to work.

Then I helped Dave to cut some metal and he showed me how to bend the metal on a big folder. We were making a guard for the trailer and Dave got a bit angry when it wasn’t working but when we got it done he was happy. Then I got to help Rob with wiring the callipers until it was time to go home. On the second day (the following week), it was a lot easier and the day went like the first day. Nothing had changed but we had new trailers to build. It was fun and I continued to go to work experience Wednesdays for the rest of the term.

I think all kids at the age of 14 should do work experience. It helps you to know what it’s like in the big world. It doesn’t matter if you are into fashion or mechanical work – it’s all in Mrs Tigwell’s office. THANK YOU, Mrs Tigwell.

**Student Graduations**

**Hairdresser Training**
Congratulations to Tayla Cook, Year 8. She has been an outstanding ambassador for the school and worked hard for six weeks to achieve units of competence towards further Hairdressing training.

**Certificate II in Automotive**
Congratulations to Harrison Chown and Michael Lawrence on achieving their Certificate II in Automotive. Both have worked extremely hard all year to complete this program. Based on their diligent approach they were specially selected to receive additional training which enabled them to complete the program. They are now well on their way with their apprenticeships with so much coursework already behind them.

I am enormously proud of both Michael and Harrison. In addition to attaining skills in Automotive repair they have matured significantly. They have gained valuable employability skills and learned how to apply themselves to training and study in a focussed manner. This will be of value to them in all future endeavours. Michael and Harrison intend to continue their training in the Automotive field and will certainly be a great asset to their future employers. I commend them both on their effort and fine achievement and wish them both all the best in their Automotive careers.

Special mention must go to the members of staff who modify assessment requirements to support students on special programs such as these. Thanks also to the students’ parents who juggle other commitments to provide significant additional support, including transport, over a substantial period. Your efforts have certainly been rewarded!

**Work experience this term**

Many students are still considering their futures. I recommend Work Experience as a means of beginning the process. I am encouraging students to organise Work Experience at the end of term when assessable schoolwork will have been completed. The time to organise a placement is now. Please contact me if I may be of assistance.

**Livia Tigwell**
Career Development Teacher
Term 4 - can’t really believe I am writing that!

It is only a matter of weeks before the Year 10 class of 2014 graduate, soon we will have new House Captains and before we know it we will be planning for 2015.

This term is an exciting time with many events where students and staff will celebrate achievement, talent and hard work. Big Night Out, Presentation Night, Formal and Graduations - the Wellbeing staff are looking forward to the term.

Other upcoming events....

* Frocktober - Friday 31st October.

Your amazing Senior Campus staff strutted their stuff during the recent staff fashion parade in assembly. Students listened carefully to the research and key message behind Frocktober and then were entertained by a fashion parade. Students are encouraged to wear their frocks and suits (even Halloween themed) on Friday 31st October, gold coin donations will be collected in contact class.

World Challenge Trivia Night - Friday 21st November.

Be sure to check out the flyer for details!

House news - The House Captains have decided on the first ever House Cup and the order has been placed. We can not wait to reveal this year’s House Winner. Keep collecting those House Points to help contribute to your overall House total. It is close this year! The winner will be announced during the Week 8 farewell assembly to our Year 10 students.
Headspace

Free and confidential sexual health testing @ headspace Canberra
Wednesday 19th November

Individual appointments for young people will run for approximately 30 minutes, between 1pm and 5pm. You do not need to be a client of headspace Canberra, but you do need to be under the age of 25.

You can speak to your headspace worker, call headspace on 02 6201 5343 to book an appointment, or visit www.headspace.org.au/Canberra for more information.

Seeing a sexual health nurse will allow the opportunity to ask questions you are unsure of or are too embarrassed to discuss with your family or friends. You can get accurate information and your details will remain private and confidential. Parents will not be able to access this information, there is the same level of privacy of medical information as for adults.

Is parental consent needed?
Each person who presents themselves for consultation will be offered free advice and testing as deemed necessary as long as nurses are sure that each person fully understands and can give their own consent. This is consistent with standard practice in health services and general practice.

STI testing
If you want to have STI testing we will need some personal details and a way to contact you, usually a mobile number. Testing is easy, it involves providing some basic medical information and then to pass urine into a jar (pee in a pot). There is no physical examination. If any of the tests return a positive result, you will be offered free and confidential treatment, management, follow-up and counseling.

Our main aim is to promote good sexual health and provide knowledge for you to feel safe and confident.

As always, if you or your child needs some additional support, please contact one of the Wellbeing staff or Year Coordinators.

The Wellbeing Team
BIG NIGHT OUT

ERINDALE THEATRE
WEDNESDAY 12th of November
7PM - 9.45PM
TICKETS $10

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE FRONT OFFICE
As you hopefully know by now, we’ve started using a smartphone app called Assessment Alert to communicate information about class assessments, excursions, and other school events to students and parents. The app is available for Android phones and tablets, and iOS devices (iPhones, iPads, and iPod Touch). We encourage you to download Assessment Alert either from the Google Play Store (Android) or the Apple App Store (iOS). The app is free to download, and a 12-month subscription to the service is just $2.49.


**How do I activate Assessment Alert?**
Once you’ve installed the app, you need to purchase the subscription to activate it. You will need to enter your iTunes password (iOS) or your Google Play password (Android).

**Do I have to purchase a subscription for every device I own?**
No. Once you’ve purchased the 12 month subscription, you can use your account details to register it on additional devices within your own family. *Please note that you cannot use an iOS subscription on an Android device or vice versa.* If you have both iOS and Android devices in your family, you will need to purchase one subscription on each platform, but you can use that subscription on other devices of the same type.

**How do I set up Assessment Alert?**
Follow the setup guides available at http://assessmentalert.com/news/ to add one or more students, and then select their courses. These documents also show you how to register your account, and how to add your subscription to other devices in your family.

**Which courses should I add?**
For students: Add all of your courses, the “Whole of Year” events for your year, the “Campus events” for the campus you’re on, and the “Whole school events.”
For parents: For each child, add all of their courses, the “Whole of Year” events for the year each child is in, the “Campus events” for the campus each student is on, and the “Whole school events.” There’s no need to add in the whole school events for each student, as they will be the same for everyone. If you have multiple children attending the one campus, you only need to add the campus events once as these will be the same for all students on that campus.

**How can I get help if I need it?**
The developers of Assessment Alert provide support by email. You can contact them at info@assessmentalert.com.

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**ACT Community Language Schools Day 2014**

The Canberra community are invited to come along and join a day of celebration organised by the ACT Community Language Schools Association with the support of the ACT Government through the Community Language Schools Program.

55 Community language schools and playgroups that teach 40 languages across Canberra will gather together during Children’s Week to celebrate and share their learning through displays and performances. There will be games and activities with the assistance of ACT Bilingual Education Alliance plus several schools will be cooking some of their traditional foods for you to purchase.

**When:** Saturday 25 October 2014
**Time:** 2.00pm – 6.00pm
**Venue:** University of Canberra Refectory, Bruce
**Cost:** Entry and activities are free. Multicultural food will be available for purchase.

For more information contact: ACT Community Language Schools Association 6230 5191
email: admin@actclsa.org.au
ACT SECONDARY BURSARY SCHEME

DO YOU HAVE CHILDREN IN HIGH SCHOOL?

The ACT Secondary Bursary Scheme can provide ACT residents on low incomes with financial support for students in Years 7 – 10.

Eligibility: Holders of a Pensioner Concession Card or a Health Care Card with means tested “payment codes” - see application form for more details

APPLY NOW

ACT EDUCATION AND TRAINING DIRECTORATE
Secondary Bursary Scheme
Hedley Beare Centre for Teaching and Learning
GPO Box 158 CANBERRA CITY ACT 2601

Application forms are available at all high schools, colleges, Centrelink Regional Offices and online at http://www.det.act.gov.au/school_education/starting_school/financial_assistance_for_families

Enquiries: 6205 8252

TRIVIA NIGHTS

WORLD CHALLENGE
TRIP TO BORNEO

Hi!

On the 21st of November myself and some friends are having a trivia night to fundraise for when we go to Borneo with World Challenge next year.

When: 21st November 2014
Time: 7.30pm-10pm
Where: Hellenic Club Woden
Who: Anyone
Cost: $20 per person or $180 for a table of 10 (must pay together)

Contact: Caroline Chisholm School
Front Office on 62057277

There are only 120 seats, so make sure you reserve your spot soon!